The NYC Human Rights Law Protects Section 8 and Other Government Assistance Recipients from Housing Discrimination.

If an apartment building has six (6) or more units, the landlord CANNOT:

- Refuse to rent an apartment to you because you receive federal, state or local public or housing assistance, including section 8.
- Refuse to accept federal, state or local public or housing assistance, including section 8, towards the payment of rent, whether or not you are a new or existing tenant.
- Print advertisements, including on-line or newspaper advertisements, and billboards that indicate a refusal to accept programs.

Regardless of the number of units in the building, the landlord must accept your rental subsidy if:

- Your apartment is rent controlled and you lived there when the law took effect in March 2008; or
- The landlord owns another building in NYC that has six or more units.

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Protects Section 8 Voucher Holders from Housing Discrimination

If you are being denied an apartment or your landlord has refused to accept your Section 8 or other government assistance voucher, you should contact the Law Enforcement Bureau of the **NYC Commission on Human Rights** at **311**.

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