



What You Should Know About FHEPS or CITYFHEPS Shopping Letters and Utilities

The amount on the shopping letter is the maximum amount you can rent an apartment for when all of the utilities like heat, hot water, electricity, and cooking gas are included.

The chart below will help you identify the maximum rent amount of your voucher if you are responsible for some or all of the utilities:

Family Size	Unit Size	All Utilities Included	Without Cooking Gas & Electric	With Cooking Gas Only	With Electric Only	No Utilities Included
1	SRO	\$1,751	\$1,652	\$1,676	\$1,727	\$1,574
1	0 (Studio)	\$2,335	\$2,236	\$2,260	\$2,311	\$2,158
1 or 2	1	\$2,387	\$2,275	\$2,302	\$2,360	\$2,184
3 or 4	2	\$2,696	\$2,555	\$2,586	\$2,665	\$2,443
5 or 6	3	\$3,385	\$3,214	\$3,249	\$3,350	\$3,084
7 or 8	4	\$3,647	\$3,446	\$3,485	\$3,608	\$3,296
9 or 10	5	\$4,194	\$3,963	\$4,006	\$4,151	\$3,794
11 or 12	6	\$4,741	\$4,510	\$4,553	\$4,698	\$4,341
13 or 14	7	\$5,288	\$5,057	\$5,100	\$5,245	\$4,888
15 or 16	8	\$5,835	\$5,604	\$5,647	\$5,792	\$5,435
17 or 18	9	\$6,383	\$6,152	\$6,195	\$6,340	\$5,983
19 or 20	10	\$6,930	\$6,699	\$6,742	\$6,887	\$6,530

How can I find out which utilities are included?

- The proposed lease will tell you what utilities are included
- The listing may also say what utilities are included. *For example: heat and hot water are included.*
- You can ask the broker or landlord

Can I agree to pay the landlord the difference?

No, you cannot agree to pay the landlord the difference. This is known as a “side deal” and landlords promise not to do this when they accept the voucher. This helps ensure your rent is the amount in the lease and keeps rents affordable for everyone.