

REASONABLE ACCOMMODATION REQUEST FORM

SECTION 3: DEFINITIONS

Assistive Animals: Animals that serve as a reasonable accommodation for persons with disabilities by assisting those individuals in some identifiable way by making it possible for them to make more effective use of their housing.

Disability: According to the Fair Housing Act amended in 1989 and Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973-as amended, a person with a disability includes any person who has:

- Physical or mental impairment(s) that substantially limits one or more major life activities;
- Has a record of having such impairments; or
- Is regarded by others as having such impairments.

Examples include, but are not limited to: visual, speech and hearing impairments, cerebral palsy, autism, epilepsy, muscular dystrophy, multiple sclerosis, cancer, heart disease, diabetes, HIV, mental retardation, emotional illness, drug addiction, and alcoholism. Does not include current, illegal use of, or addiction to, a controlled substance as defined in Section 2 of the Controlled Substance Act, 21 U.S.C. 802.

Live-in aide: A person who resides with one or more elderly persons, near elderly persons, or persons with disabilities and who is 1) determined to be essential to the care and well-being of the persons, 2) is not obligated for the support of the persons, and 3) would not be living in the unit except to provide the necessary supportive services. The live-in aide must be identified by the family and approved by the Housing Authority (24 CFR Section 5.403)

Reasonable Accommodation: A reasonable accommodation is a slight change in procedure or policy or structural modification that enables a person with disabilities to take full advantage of the same housing opportunities as others.

SECTION 4: RETURNING THIS FORM

Once completed, this form must be returned to your designated Regional Office, see below. Failure to provide the documentation may subject you to delays in completing your tenancy or recertification.

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