

HUD EARNED INCOME DISREGARD

The Department of Housing and Urban Development's (HUD) Earned Income Disregard applies to people in certain types of housing. For the first year you are employed, public housing authorities will disregard earnings from your job when calculating your rent for the first year. In the second year of your employment, only half of your earnings will be counted in figuring your rental payments.

How It Works

If you live in the following types of HUD-Subsidized housing, you may be eligible for the Earned Income Disregard (also known as the Earned-Income Disallowance):

- **Public housing, operated by Public Housing Authorities**
- **The Section 8 Housing Choice Voucher Program**
- **The Home Investing Partnerships Program**
- **The Housing Opportunities to Persons with Aids Program**

For the purpose of this incentive, you must not have been working during the previous 12 months, or if you have worked, you can't have worked, on average, more than 10 hours per week at a minimum wage.

If you live in one of these types of housing, become employed, and have been previously unemployed for one or more years prior to getting your new job, HUD will disregard 100% of your new wages during the first 12 months of your employment. During the second 12 months of employment (i.e. months 13 through 24), HUD will disregard 50% of your wages.