

VAWA Notice

TO: Housing Authority/Section 8 Program/Landlord

FROM:

Name: _____

Address: _____

DATE: _____

I am, or my household member is, a victim of domestic violence, dating violence, stalking or sexual assault. The Violence Against Women Reauthorization Act (VAWA) of 2013, Pub. L. 113-4 (March 2013), applies to me.

I cannot:

- have my housing application denied for reasons related to the abuse or assault
- be evicted for not paying for damage caused by an abuser
- have my lease terminated for reasons related to the abuse or assault
- be evicted for reasons related to the abuse or assault be treated differently than others based on the abuse or assault

The reasons for your actions against me are the result of the domestic violence, dating violence, stalking or sexual assault that has happened to me or my household member.

Please, apply my VAWA rights:

- when reviewing my application
- when reviewing an alleged lease violation
- and take the bill for damages caused by abuser or attacker off my account
- and take my abuser or attacker off my lease and make a new lease agreement with me
- when considering termination of my lease
- when considering evicting me
- and transfer me to another subsidized unit
- and give me new Section 8 Voucher papers to move
- and give me new Section 8 Voucher papers to port my Voucher out of your program to a new location
- and recalculate my rent immediately because my income decreased due to domestic violence or sexual assault.
- to (other) _____

Please contact me for information that you need in order to provide me with my VAWA rights.

Please do not give out the information in this notice to anyone, especially my abuser, without my written permission.

_____ (Signature)

(keep a copy of this notice for your own records)