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HOUSING CHOICE VOUCHER APPLICATION WAIT LIST CLOSES AT 11:59 P.M. ON FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 26, 2014

Sacramento, CA I Officials at Sacramento Housing and Redevelopment Agency are reminding the public that the deadline to apply for the Housing Choice Voucher program (HCV/formerly Section 8) is Friday, September 26. Applications will be accepted online at <u>www.sacwaitlist.com</u> until 11:59 p.m. The Sacramento County Housing Authority opened its Housing Choice Voucher Tenant Based wait list on Monday, September 15, 2014.

Applicants <u>do not have to pay anything to apply for housing and a credit report is not needed in</u> <u>order to fill out an application</u>. <u>Any computer with Internet access or mobile device can be used</u> to complete the application online.

SHRA's website does not request payment for a credit report. Applicants **will not** be placed on Sacramento's Housing Choice Voucher Program wait list if they use any website that asks for an application fee, or requests payment for a credit report or solicits information through a survey.

SHRA officials advise that the best way to get to the correct website to fill out the application is to type <u>www.sacwaitlist.com</u> directly into the website address bar, usually located at the top of the browser on the computer screen. Anyone who still needs help finding the website may call (916) 440-1390. Applications can be completed from any electronic device with Internet access including laptops, iPads and smartphones.

IMPORTANT NOTE: The application submission process is only supported in the following browsers: Google Chrome, FireFox, and Internet Explorer 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, and Safari. The application can be completed using iPhone, Android and iPad mobile devices.

A total of 5,000 applicants will be placed on the wait list through random selection after the wait list has closed. All applicants will be notified by the end of November if they are on the list or not.

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SHRA (www.shra.org) is a Joint Powers Authority created by the City and County of Sacramento to represent both jurisdictions for affordable housing and community redevelopment needs. SHRA has a FY 2014 budget of \$167.7 million and 225 employees. The Agency owns and manages 3,144 units of public housing and is one of the largest landlords in Sacramento. SHRA also administers approximately 11,800 rent assistance vouchers per month.