

Kansas City Kansas Housing Authority Section 504 Public outreach Policy

Purpose

The purpose of this policy is to ensure that information regarding the KCKHA's accessibility and availability of accessible units is accurately and efficiently distributed to eligible persons with disabilities so that otherwise qualified individuals with disabilities have equal opportunity to take advantage of the KCKHA's programs and services. This policy will outline how the KCKHA will provide information regarding Section 504, the KCKHA's accessibility, and the availability of accessible units.

Definitions

Section 504: Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 prohibits discrimination based on disability in federally assisted programs or activities.

Reasonable Accommodation: A reasonable accommodation is a modification or change the KCKHA can make to its rules, policies, practices or services, or modifications to an individual's dwelling unit or common area that is necessary to provide a person with a disability equal opportunity to participate in, or benefit from the KCKHA's programs or services.

Disability: Under section 504, disability is defined as a mental or physical impairment that substantially limits one or more major life activities.

Application

As part of the of the KCKHA's efforts to foster handicap accessibility, the KCKHA shall routinely distribute information regarding our accessibility, availability of accessible units, and continued efforts to maintain and improve our accessibility to those with disabilities or impairments. The KCKHA will use multiple avenues of distribution to ensure information regarding accessibility reaches as many people as possible. These methods include, but are not limited to mass mail, email distribution, and bulletin notices at KCKHA facilities, and the KCKHA website.



No family or individual is denied the equal opportunity to apply for or receive program assistance on the basis of race, color, sex, religion, creed, national or ethnic origin, age, marital status, handicap or disability.