



Public Housing Association of Residents (PHAR)

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What is Earned Income Disregard? Am I Eligible?

PLEASE call PHAR if you think you are eligible and are having problems getting the disregard!

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*Earned Income Disregard is a federal regulation, 24CFR 960.255, that requires the Housing Authority to **not count increased income towards your rent for twelve months if someone has been unemployed or under-employed for a year or more and then gets re-employed.***

During the second 12-month period, the housing authority would not count 50% of the increased earning.

A family in public housing is eligible if:

- ❖ A previously unemployed household member (for one or more years) becomes employed, **OR**
- ❖ Whose annual income increases due to a family member participating in any “economic self-sufficiency” program, **OR**
- ❖ A household member earned only 500 hours at minimum wage (\$3625.00) for one or more years, **OR**
- ❖ The family’s earned income increases AND if any member of household currently receives or in the past 6 months has received at least \$500 of welfare benefits (TANF, WTW). The individual whose income increases does *not* have to be the one who received the benefits.

To qualify for the Earned Income Disregard call

Tatiana Eames at (434) 326-4672 or visit the rental office at 500 S. First Street (Crescent Halls) **OR** ask about Earned Income Disregard when reporting your increased earnings! PHAR wants to hear from you if you have trouble accessing this important program call us at (434) 984-3255.