



CITY OF LAREDO

Municipal Housing



HOMELESS VETERANS HOUSING PRIORITY POLICY

PURPOSE

The City of Laredo recognizes the service and sacrifice of the men and women who have served in the United States Military Forces. The City also recognizes there is a need to provide a housing priority for homeless veterans who are referred by a veteran assistance agency or organization and who are able to meet all lease requirements.

POLICY OBJECTIVE

This policy will grant housing priority, as adequate sized rental units become available, to homeless veterans who are referred by a veteran assistance agency or organization and who are able to meet all lease requirements. Homeless veterans who are referred will be prioritized on the Laredo Municipal Housing (LMH) waiting list for the first available rental units that fit their housing needs. It is the intent of this policy to reduce the time it takes to house veterans. This policy will be updated as necessary in order to facilitate and expedite the housing process for homeless veterans in regards to LMH rental units.

REFERRAL PROCESS

Recognized veteran assistance agency and organizations assisting homeless veterans will provide LMH notification of their qualification through their homeless assistance programs.

- Referrals will be accepted via email, fax or hand delivered documentation.
- Upon verifying referral, applicant will be given priority on the rental housing waiting list.

RENTAL UNIT LEASE PROCESS

- Applicants will be provided priority for available vacant rental units that are within their family housing needs.
- Applicants will need to meet all LMH lease requirements.
- Security deposit: Deposits maybe deferred until paid by the veteran assistance agency or organization with proper documentation or written notice to LMH. The intent is to facilitate access to rental housing by referred homeless veterans without delay while assuring payment by the veteran assistance agency or organization.