

Frequently Asked Questions

BHA PBV Waitlist Opening – January 27, 2023



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When does the next waitlist open?	Project Based Voucher (PBV) Waitlist Opening Friday, January 27, 2023 7am – 3pm Pacific Time Apply Here: www.bremertonhousing.org/app-portal More Info: www.bremertonhousing.org/rentcafe
How do I apply?	Go to www.bremertonhousing.org/app-portal on January 27, 2023 between 7am and 3pm Pacific Time and complete the short application
What program is this waitlist for?	Project Based Voucher (PBV) Program: The PBV program is a special program where specific units have a rent subsidy attached to them. Once a household is selected from the top of the waitlist and determined to be eligible, they will be offered a unit at one of our BHA-owned properties (the list can be viewed at: https://bremertonhousing.org/index.php/residential-properties). If the household accepts the unit, they will receive the voucher and the rent will be subsidized based on 30% of their adjusted income. After a PBV voucher holder has lived at that specific unit for 12 months, they will have the choice to stay or move to the Housing Choice Voucher program to use the rent subsidy at another eligible property in Kitsap or Mason Counties.
Why are waitlists only open for a limited time?	Bremerton Housing Authority maintains waitlists to provide equal access to funding for our limited Section 8 vouchers and other programs. Our waitlists are only open for applications during short periods of time during the year. By applying to one of our open waitlists, you are not guaranteed housing but your name and information is saved in our system so we can contact you if housing assistance becomes available. If you are selected from the waitlist, you will be notified to submit further information to verify program eligibility.
What if I don't have internet or an internet connected device like smartphone, tablet, or computer?	We encourage you to use the free computer labs and other resources available in Kitsap County. On January 27, 2023, we will be able to help you apply over the phone if needed. BHA Information Desk 360-616-7132 contactus@bremertonhousing.org
What should I do while I wait for the waitlist to open?	1) Mark your calendar for January 27, 2023 2) Register for an account in RENTCafé 3) If you already have an account, make sure you can log in and have access to the email you used to sign up.
Why should I register with RENTCafé?	As a registered applicant in RENTCafé, you will be able to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Get notified via email when there is an open waitlist • Apply to open waitlists and contact BHA • Report any address and phone changes to BHA • In the coming year, you will have first access to new features of RENTCafé.
If I register for RENTCafé and make an account, am I automatically added to the waitlists?	No. If you register during a waitlist opening, you will be able to complete your application after registration, but it is a separate process.

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What if I already am on another waitlist through BHA?	Apply for a waitlist will not affect your status on other waitlists. If you have already applied through RENTCafé, you will just need to update your application and check the boxes for additional waitlists when they are open.
How are waitlist positions assigned?	Randomly sorted after the waitlist closes. Once the waitlist closes for applications at 3pm on January 27, 2023, the applications will be randomly sorted to determine the order of the waitlist. Waitlist positions are not based on time of application as long as they are submitted anytime between 7am and 3pm Pacific Time on January 27, 2023.
Who should I contact if I need a reasonable accommodation?	Requests for reasonable accommodation should be directed to the BHA Information Desk at contactus@bremertonhousing.org or 360-616-7132.

This document will be updated as more questions are received.

Send additional questions to: contactus@bremertonhousing.org