

Community Service Requirement

Each nonexempt adult public housing resident must contribute eight (8) hours of community service work or participate in a self-sufficiency program **each** month.

Community service activities may include volunteer work in a local school, hospital, or childcare center, working with youth organizations, or participation in programs that strengthen resident responsibility such as household budgeting, credit counseling or drug and alcohol abuse counseling and treatment.

Economic self-sufficiency programs are any programs designed to encourage assist, train, or facilitate the economic independence or participants and their families or to provide work for participants. These programs may include programs for job training, employment training, work placement, basic skills training, education, English proficiency, workfare, financial, or household management, apprenticeship, and any program necessary to ready a participant to work

All nonexempt public residents must comply with the community service requirements or the Augusta Housing Authority (AHA) may not renew the family's dwelling lease. AHA will notify the tenant and the family member of the noncompliance, in writing, and state that the Housing Authority will not renew the lease at the end of the twelve-month lease term unless:

The tenant and any other non compliant family member, enter into a written agreement with the Augusta Housing Authority, in the form and manner required, to cure such noncompliance and in fact cure such noncompliance in accordance with the agreement or

The family provides written satisfaction to the Augusta Housing Authority that the tenant or other noncompliant resident no longer resides in the unit.

This requirement is included in your dwelling lease. You have received written description of the community service requirement and of the process for claiming status as an exempt person. AHA has also notified each head of household as to which family members are subject to and which are exempt from the community service requirement.

Noncompliance with the Community Service Requirement by any member of your household is a violation of your lease and could result in the loss of your housing.

Residents who are exempt from the community service requirement include an adult who is 62 years or older;

If a person with vision impairment or other person with disabilities as defined under 216 (i)(1) or 1614 of the Social Security Act (42U.S.C.416 (i)(1);1382c), and who is unable to comply with this section, or is a primary caretaker of such individual; Is engaged in a work activity as defined under section 407(d) of the Social Security Act (42U.S.C. 607(d), as in effect on and after July 1, 1997); and Currently participated in a State administered welfare to work program (Workfirst).

If you have a question concerning this policy, please contact your housing manager, Resident Services at 312-3155, or Charlene Dent-Allen at 312-3181. [Take Action Today!](#)