

VOUCHER PAYMENT STANDARDS

The Section 8 Voucher Payment Standard is used to calculate the housing assistance payment (HAP) that the public housing agency (PHA) pays to the owner on behalf of the family leasing the unit. The family's voucher will show the number of bedrooms authorized by the Housing Authority, based on the number of persons in the family.

The Housing Authority establishes Voucher Payment Standards (VPS) based on the Fair Market Rents (FMR), which are established at least annually by U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). The VPS is the maximum subsidy the Housing Authority can provide toward the contract rent (rent plus utility allowance*). If the contract rent (rent plus utility allowance*) is more than the VPS, the family must make up the difference out of its own pocket. The family is to pay what the Housing Authority calculates their portion of rent to be.

The Burbank Housing Authority (BHA) has been designated by HUD as a Small Area Fair Market Rent (SAFMR) PHA and, in accordance with 24 CFR 982.503, is required to implement SAFMR-based payment standards no later than January 1, 2025. SAFMRs are FMRs calculated at the ZIP code level, rather than for the entire metropolitan area. SAFMRs are intended to more accurately reflect the local market and provide families with access to low-poverty and high-opportunity areas by providing rental assistance at a level that makes the higher rents in such areas affordable for them.

The following charts depict the VPS for the Burbank Housing Authority (BHA).

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(effective 10/01/24)

0 bedroom	1 bedroom	2 bedroom	3 bedroom	4 bedroom
\$1,955	\$2,207	\$2,799	\$3,590	\$3,960

BURBANK SAFMR VOUCHER PAYMENT STANDARDS

(effective 01/01/25)

ZIP code	0 bedroom	1 bedroom	2 bedroom	3 Bedroom	4 bedroom
	4	4	4	4	4
91501	\$1,955	\$2,207	\$2,799	\$3,590	\$3,960
04.500	44.055	42.207	42.700	42.500	42.050
91502	\$1,955	\$2,207	\$2,799	\$3,590	\$3,960
91504	\$1,955	\$2,207	\$2,799	\$3,590	\$3,960
91505	\$2,205	\$2,466	\$3,114	\$3,960	\$4,383
91506	\$1,955	\$2,207	\$2,799	\$3,590	\$3,960

Determining Voucher Size

Voucher Size	Persons in Households		
	Minimum	Maximum	
1 Bedroom	1	2	
2 Bedroom	3	4	
3 Bedroom	5	6	
4 Bedroom	7	8	

The payment standard is a factor used in a calculation. The payment standard is not how much the owner can charge for rent nor is it the amount the Housing Authority will pay. The payment standard is a factor, which is used with your income to determine the amount of rent your new unit may cost. Once you know the rent amount that you qualify for, you can begin looking for a unit in Burbank. When you find a unit within the limit, we will be able to calculate how much you will pay and how much we will pay.

^{*} A utility allowance may not apply to a designated affordable unit.