WHAT IS THE HOUSING CHOICE VOUCHER (HCV) PROGRAM?

The HCV program helps eligible families secure safe, affordable housing by providing monthly rental assistance. Participants pay a portion of their income toward rent and the Housing Authority (HA) pays the rest directly to the owner. The HCV program ensures that teachers, farmers, and other valuable members of the community can continue to live in and create a stronger Santa Cruz County.

WHAT IS MY ROLE AS AN OWNER?

Housing providers are an important partner in the HCV program. Since participants search for units on the open market, owners that accept tenants with vouchers can directly contribute to a more diverse and stable community. Program success relies on you!

How do I get involved?

If you own a property in Santa Cruz County, Hollister, or San Juan Bautista, list your unit on AffordableHousing.com to find an HCV tenant! Pre-registration on the HCV program is not required and most housing types are eligible.

OWNER ASSURANCE PROGRAM

Owners renting to HCV participants in Santa Cruz County receive exclusive protections for their property.

The Owner Assurance Program can reimburse property owners up to \$5,000 for costs that exceed the security deposit related to:

- Tenant-caused damages
- Unpaid rent
- Vacancy loss due to lease termination
- Legal fees associated with lease termination



YOUR PROPERTY, YOUR TERMS!

Owners maintain standard property management rights, including:

- Tenant screening and selection
- Use of your own lease agreement
- Security deposit collection
- Lease enforcement

THE THREE-WAY PARTNERSHIP



OTHER RESOURCES

Visit www.hacosantacruz.org to find:

- HCV Owner Partnership Guidebook
- Owner FAQ
- Owner Workshop schedule



SMART FOR YOUR PROPERTY

- HA portion of rent is guaranteed
- Protection from tenant income loss
- Owner Assurance Program
- Direct deposit
- Tenant retention
- Dedicated owner support
- Free property listing

Committed to Your Business Needs

If the HCV program doesn't work for owners, it doesn't work for anyone. The Housing Authority is dedicated to making it an efficient and convenient decision for your property.

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Our Community

- 5,325 families receiving assistance
- Over 1,850 property owner partners







HOUSING CHOICE VOUCHER PROGRAM FOR PROPERTY OWNERS