Housing – Housing Opportunities Commission (HOC)

This is a project of the Montgomery County Commission on People with Disabilities. To submit an update, add or remove a listing, or request an alternative format, please contact: MCCPW@montgomerycountymd.gov, 240-777-1246 (V), MD Relay 711.

Housing Opportunities Commission (HOC)
Main Office
10400 Detrick Avenue
Kensington, MD 20895
240-627-9400 (V)
Hours: Monday through Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
East Deer Park (Upcounty Office)
231 East Deer Park Drive
Gaithersburg, MD 20877
240-627-9744 (V)
Hours: Monday through Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
E-mail: hrs@hocmc.org
www.hocmc.org
Provide affordable housing and supportive services for low- and moderate-income families and individuals throughout the County. Programs and resources include:

- **Housing Path**
  www.hochousingpath.com
  An online wait list portal for affordable rental housing programs. Housing Path allows people to apply online and manage or update their applications at anytime. The online application walks people through a simple step-by-step process and takes about 30 minutes to complete. HOC Housing Path is currently available in two languages: English and Spanish. HOC Housing Path matches applicants to affordable housing programs based on household size, income, age and other factors.

- **Housing Choice Voucher Program**
  240-773-9009 (V)
  E-mail: hcvprogram@hocmc.org
  Provide assistance for very low-income households (single or family), the elderly, and people with disabilities to afford decent, safe, and sanitary housing in the private market. The subsidy amount is based on a payment standard set by HOC and the client's household information so that the client pays no more than 40% of their income on housing. There are two main types of vouchers: Project-Based and Tenant-Based. Project-Based Vouchers are assigned to a specific building and clients must reside in the building to receive assistance. Families with Tenant-Based Vouchers can use their assistance at any home, apartment or other private market residence that meets household requirements, safety standards and rent reasonableness.

- **Housing for the Disabled**
  Housing Choice Vouchers that have been set aside specifically for people with disabilities.
- **Housing for Seniors / Elderly**
  Information on independent living communities and other affordable housing options for seniors.
- **Public Housing**
  Federally subsidized housing program that provides decent and safe rental housing assistance for eligible low-income families, the elderly, and people with disabilities.
- **Rent Supplement Program**
  The Rent Supplement Program (RSP) provides rental assistance to approximately 300 households. These households reside in multi-family developments throughout Montgomery County and receive a maximum rent subsidy of $600 per month.
- **Resident Services**
  240-773-9339 (V)
  For HOC residents and those that receive assistance from HOC.
- **Scattered Sites**
  240-627-9800 (V)
  Scattered site unit rentals are coordinated through HOC's East Deer Park office in Gaithersburg; however, participants must submit an application to HOC's wait list to be considered.

HOC Customer Service Centers
Gaithersburg Office
101 Lakeforest Boulevard, #200
Gaithersburg, MD 20877
240-627-9792 (V)
Walk-in Hours: Monday – Friday, 8:00am – 5:00pm
Silver Spring Office
880 Bonifant Street
Silver Spring, MD 20910
240-627-9793 (V)
Walk-in Hours: Monday - Friday, 8:00am – 5:00pm