



FACT SHEET



Facts About New York City Housing Authority Resident Board Members

NYCHA Board Structure

In 2013, NYCHA expanded its Board from four members to seven. Three of those seven members are resident Board Members. Because of the increased resident representation on the Board, residents can be expected to have a greater say in NYCHA's operations.

Qualifications

To qualify for this position, you must be:

- A current NYCHA resident.
- In good standing: the Board has not terminated the tenancy; rent payments are up-to-date; the tenancy is not on probation; and there are no pending tenancy termination charges, legal actions for nonpayment of rent, or Bawdy House proceedings to terminate the lease because the apartment is being used to conduct an illegal business.
- At least 18 years old.
- Available to serve starting August/September 2016.
- Investigated by the New York City Department of Investigation, the New York City Conflicts of Interest Board and/or by NYCHA's Office of the Inspector General.

The successful candidate will have strong communications and interpersonal skills, computer skills, as well as a demonstrated commitment to and an interest in public housing.

Commitment and Compensation

Resident Board Members are not required to serve full time and therefore the candidates selected may hold another job or maintain their current employment, provided that the candidate is not employed by NYCHA or the employment does not pose a conflict of interest. It is anticipated that each Resident Board Member will need to commit approximately 15-20 hours per month to carry out Board responsibilities. Each Resident Board Member will receive a monthly stipend of \$250 for every four hours of work performed for NYCHA, up to a maximum of \$1,500 per month. Please note that if you are currently a member of the Citywide Council of Presidents or a Resident Association Board, you must resign your position if appointed as a resident Board Member.

Application and Interview Process

All candidates must complete and submit an application. Applicants' resident files will also be reviewed as part of the application process. Please note that incomplete applications will not be considered. Selected candidates will be interviewed by the Office of the Mayor of the City of New York and NYCHA.

Appointment

- Resident Board Members will be appointed by the Mayor to serve up to a three-year term.
- The Mayor can remove any Board Member, other than the Chair, by serving the member with a document stating the reasons for removal. This document must be filed with the city's Commissioner of Citywide Administrative Services, and it will be made available to the general public.

Role of NYCHA Board Members

- Board Members will meet at least once a month to transact NYCHA business and to set NYCHA policy.
- Board Members will be expected to review materials in preparation for Board meetings.
- Board Members may also be required to attend events as Board representatives.
- All Board Members are expected to be active and involved, and to maintain a record of good attendance. In addition, they should seek to adhere to principles of good government: honesty, accountability, and the avoidance of conflicts of interest.