

Tenant Selection

Grantees receiving HOME funds for rental housing are required to adopt written tenant selection policies and submit them to VHCB for review. At a minimum, tenant selection policies should include criteria that:

1. are consistent with the HOME Program goals of providing housing for very low and low-income tenants;
2. are reasonably related to program eligibility and the applicants' ability to perform the obligations of the lease;
3. provide for the selection of tenants from a written waiting list in chronological order, in so far as is practicable; and
4. provide for prompt written notification of rejected applicants with grounds for the rejection.

In addition, the tenant selection policy must be consistent with the procedures and requirements of affirmative marketing as required under the HOME Program. These procedures and requirements are outlined on the following page.