



Apartment Rental Pre-Application

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What You Need to Know

GJHA owns several rental properties in Grand Junction. Some things are the same from one property to another, like our commitment to respond promptly to repair requests, ensure affordability, and maintain safe and secure communities. Some things are different among our properties. For example, income limitations vary, the availability of units with special features for clients who are mobility impaired “ADA”, eligibility rules for full time students, community features, and unit sizes/amenities can all vary. More specific information about our properties can be found at www.gjha.org/our-communities.aspx. Our two newest communities for seniors the Head of Household, Co-Head of Household or Spouse must be age 62 and over, Nellie Bechtel and The Highlands, are currently establishing interest lists for future vacancies. An interest list is not the same as a waiting list. It does not guarantee you priority for housing when a unit becomes available. However, Nellie Bechtel also has a separate waiting list for units with rental assistance that you may apply to (requires separate application form- ask an employee).

What We Need to Know

GJHA will ask you for information about several things, such as: your income, who lives in your household, what you own (savings, other assets), your housing/rental history, permission to review your credit report and inquire into any potential criminal background you may have, etc. It is important that you respond truthfully and completely. If you do not, your application may be denied. You may request a copy of GJHA’s tenant screening criteria or contact our Leasing Agent at 970-208-9542 if you have questions.

What to Expect

1. Thank you for your interest in our communities!
2. A Leasing Agent will review your Pre-Application. Based solely on the information you provide to us, the Leasing Agent will:
 - a) attempt to contact you by telephone and schedule an appointment to review your application with you and request any needed verification/documents, OR;
 - b) notify you via mail that the information you provided indicates you are not qualified for the property/program you requested.
3. Complete applications (including all additional documentation requested by Leasing Agent) will be processed by the GJHA on a first come-first served basis.
4. After we review your completed application and any requested screening reports or references, if you are approved to rent an apartment at one of our communities you will be contacted by the Property Manager to schedule a move-in date. You will be expected to pay your first month’s rent (prorated) and a security deposit at move-in. The Leasing Agent will be able to tell you how much the deposit will be.
5. If you are not eligible for rental approval, you will be notified by mail and will be provided the reasons for your denial. If you, or anyone in your household, is subject to sex offender registration requirements in any state, your application will be denied.

SCREENING GUIDELINES

A. Reasons for Denial of Application

1. Failure to provide verification of social security numbers or birth certificates for all household or family members.
2. Applicant does not meet the criteria of the Tax Credit program (such as Income, Student Eligibility, etc.), if applicable.
3. Applicant does not meet screening guidelines (such as criminal background, credit history, rental history, etc.).
4. Intentional or material falsification of information supplied on the application by the applicant
5. Hostile or unsuitable behavior towards staff, residents or property.

B. Criminal Background Checks

Applicants may be denied if:

1. Any household member has been evicted for drug-related criminal activity within the last 7 years.
2. Any household member is currently engaging in illegal use of drugs, or there is reasonable cause to believe that a household member's illegal use or pattern of illegal use of a drug may interfere with the health, safety, or right to peaceful enjoyment of the premises by other residents.
3. Any household member's abuse or pattern of abuse of alcohol, as indicated by convictions for alcohol-related offenses within the last 5 years, is determined to have the potential to interfere with the health, safety, or right to peaceful enjoyment of the premises by the other residents.
4. Any household member is subject to a registration requirement under the state sex offender registration program.
5. Any household member has ever been convicted of criminal activity related to (1) possession of materials to make methamphetamine and amphetamine; or (2) the production, manufacture, sale, distribution or dispensing of any material, compound, mixture, or preparation that contains methamphetamine.
6. Any household member is currently, or has within the past five years, been convicted of:
 - a. Drug-related criminal activity
 - b. Violent criminal activity
 - c. Other criminal activity that would interfere with the health, safety, or right to peaceful enjoyment of the premises by other residents
 - d. Other criminal activity that would threaten the health or safety of the owner, agent of the owner, any employee, contractor, or sub-contractor who is involved with the housing operations.
7. "Other criminal activity" referred to in 6(c) and 6(d) above includes, but is not limited to:
 - Homicide (may consider homicide or stalking convictions or deferred judgements that occurred any time, even greater than five years ago)
 - Battery
 - Domestic Violence
 - Robbery
 - Motor Vehicle Theft
 - Arson
 - Fraud
 - Burglary
 - Rape
 - Assault -
 - Larceny
 - Kidnapping
 - All sexually based offenses
 - Charges directly related to endangerment of children (molestation, pornography, abuse, neglect)
 - Any other felony criminal activity
8. An application may be denied if there is a conviction history of habitual criminal activity, including misdemeanors, within the last 5 years.
9. **GJHA may deny based on the preponderance of the evidence.**

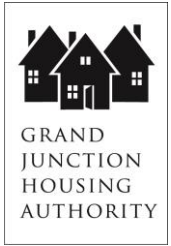
B. Landlord Reference

1. A satisfactory rental history for the previous 2 years is required. However, rental history for the previous 7 years may be considered.
2. “Satisfactory” means applicant has not been evicted for: non-payment of rent, property damages, material noncompliance, or criminal activity within the previous 3 years.
3. Any applicant who owes past due funds to a previous landlord for a property they have vacated within the previous 3 years will be rejected until debt has been paid or settled in full.

C. Acceptable Credit

1. The credit report of the applicant will be reviewed.
2. The application may be rejected if the report reveals negative credit items which occurred within the past 3 years with no effort to address unpaid items. Exception may be made if the negative credit is a result of medically related expenses or involuntary financial hardship.

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Do you require an ADA Unit? Do you have a Housing Voucher?

Are you on a GJHA waiting list? Yes No # of bedrooms needed _____

Are you a Honorably Discharged Military Veteran (includes Widows or Widowers) Yes No

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(Check all desired)

Properties Interested in: **Linden Pointe** **Crystal Brook** **Arbor Vista** **2814**

Village Park **Courtyard** **Lincoln Apt** ***The Highlands**

(*Head, Co-Head or Spouse must be 62 or over)

1. Applicant Information:

Applicant

Co-Applicant

Full Name (First and Last) _____

Social Security Number _____

Date of Birth _____

Contact Phone Number _____

Present Address _____

Street Apt # City State Zip

2. Other Occupants:

<i>Full Name (First and Last)</i>	<i>Social Security #</i>	<i>Date of Birth</i>	<i>Relationship</i>

Do you anticipate any changes to your household size within the next 12 months? Yes No

If yes, please explain: _____

3. Household Student Status

Is anyone in the household a full-time student? _____ If yes, list all full-time students below.

Name

Name of Schooling Institute

I understand that if all occupants are full time students (attending a schooling institute at least 5 months out of the year), I may not qualify for residency in a LIHTC property unless I meet certain exemptions within the Housing Program. _____ (Initials)

DATE STAMP:

4. Income:

Please include any Wages, SSI, SSDI, Social Security, Self Employment, Unemployment, Workman's Compensation, Public Assistance, AFDC, TANF, Retirement, Child Support, Alimony, Family Assistance, Part-time job, Pension, Annuities, Veterans Benefits, Severance Pay, or Recurring Gifts etc. that anyone over the age of eighteen (18) receives.

<i>Applicant</i>	<i>Co-Applicant</i>	<i>Type of Income</i>	<i>Gross (Pre-Tax) Yearly Amount</i>
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	_____
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	_____
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	_____

Does any household member (including minors) have any checking, savings accounts, IRA, CD, Bonds, Stocks, Money Market Accounts, Securities, Trust Funds, Equity in Property, etc.?

<i>Applicant</i>	<i>Co-App</i>	<i>Child</i>	<i>Type</i>	<i>Value</i>	<i>Interest Rate/ Yearly Income</i>
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	_____	_____
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	_____	_____
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Please complete the following (every question MUST be answered):

Has anyone in your household disposed of (i.e. given away) any assets in the past 2 years? Yes No

Has anyone in your household been convicted of felony in past 7 years? Yes No

Is anyone in your household subject to any sex offender registration requirements in any state? Yes No

Is anyone in your household currently or in the last year subject to any criminal proceedings or charges? Yes No

Have you ever been evicted? Yes No

If you answered Yes to any of the above questions please explain briefly _____

Are you currently in a housing lease? Yes No Lease ends on _____

Additional Contact Information or Instructions: _____

I hereby certify that the answers, information, and documents I have provided in and in connection with this pre-application are true, correct, and accurate to the best of my knowledge. I understand that any misrepresentation or false information provided by me at any time during the application process will result in my application being cancelled or denied. I understand that at the time of my eligibility interview, I will be required to provide verification of the information I have provided on this pre-application, in accordance with Internal Revenue Service Code and applicable Colorado Housing and Finance Authority and GJHA policies. GJHA reserves the right to request further information that it deems necessary to make a decision regarding my eligibility and application.

Signature of Applicant *Date*

Signature of Co-Applicant *Date*

