## **Portability**

## What is Portability?

Portability is the ability to move with your Section 8 Housing Choice Voucher to housing located outside of Montgomery or Putnam Counties (to port out), or to move to CHA with your voucher from a voucher program administered outside the counties (to port in). In order to port, you must have a Housing Choice Voucher and be moving to and from a jurisdiction in the country that administers a Section 8 Housing Choice Voucher program.

You must live in Crawfordsville Housing Authority's jurisdiction for the initial lease term (12 months) before you are eligible to port. Exceptions may be considered due to Domestic Violence and Disability.

## What Factors Should I Consider Before Porting To Another Housing Authority?

The Housing Authority you want to port to may have different rules, policies and deadlines than CHA.

Your portion of the rent, your Utility Allowance and the amount of your rent that the other Housing Authority pays may be different.

You may have to attend another voucher briefing and may receive a different size voucher at the new Housing Authority.

CHA, or the other Housing Authority, can terminate you from the Program while you port if you violate any rules.

CHA recommends that you visit the new area that you want to move to before porting.

You must give your current Owner or Property Manager at least 30 days' notice that you will be moving.

You must have good standing with CHA before porting (i.e., no lease violations, no unpaid rent, no damages to your current unit or any other program violations). Any promissory notes must be paid in full.

A Port Request Form must be filled out to start the porting process. If approved you will be issued a voucher that will need to be signed before any paperwork can be sent to the receiving PHA.