

#### MOUNT LAUREL TOWNSHIP AFFORDABLE HOUSING PROGRAM

# Please read this in its Entirety – Important Information regarding the Affordable Program!

This application is for the Mount Laurel Township Affordable Housing Program only, any other locations not in Mount Laurel you would have to contact that Township those communities are in.

The last page of the application provides a list highlighted <u>documentation if</u> <u>applicable to you, it MUST be submitted with your application, or your application will be returned.</u>

All units under this program are priced differently and not all applicants may be eligible for a particular unit that becomes available. We do not guarantee housing for anyone, this program is not designed to help in short term, emergencies or for those applicants requiring financial help. It is for those established households that are in the low to moderate gross income range as set by the State of New Jersey Fair Housing Act.

All of the affordable units in Mount Laurel Township are privately owned, except for the apartments where there is a Management Company. This is an Equal Housing Opportunity. This program is subject to municipal and state affordable housing regulations, but no guarantee can be made that these homes are affordable to all applicants. This program is subject to availability, prices, terms & conditions are subject to change without notice.

Please note this application does not cover the units at the following locations in Mount Laurel listed below: You must reach out to them for their application process & waiting list information.

- Laurel Green Apartments -609-664-2769 Ext. 5 or <u>www.affordablehomesnewjersey.com</u> for preliminary application
- Ethel Lawrence 856-439-9901 or <a href="https://fairsharedevelopment.org">https://fairsharedevelopment.org</a>
- Briggs & Union Mill Road Apartments— 609-664-2769 ext. 5 www.affordablehomesnewjersey.com.
- The Gables 609-664-2769 Ext. 5 or www.affordablehomesnewjersey.com
- Centerton Village Apartments
   — Centerton Road 856-446-3400 or www.liveatcenterton.com
- Haddon Point/ Masons Creek Flats 1 bedroom -Age Restricted 609-310-4048 or www.masonscreekflats.com

Any other developments proposed to be built may not be handled through this office, and we will not be notified until the project is built and close to occupancy. Filling out this application and being placed on our waiting list, you would be notified prior to the developer advertising to the public for a lottery of those affordable units.

Thank you for your interest in the Affordable Housing Program in Mount Laurel Township. We currently administer Affordable Housing Units in Mount Laurel Township/Burlington County. However, we receive a greater number of applications than there are units available, so placement in a unit is often not immediate and may be years or you may not be called.

In order to be eligible for the affordable housing program you must meet certain income limits as determined by the New Jersey Department of Community Affairs (DCA). Income limits are determined by region. Our housing units are located in region 5, which includes the following counties: Burlington, Camden, and Gloucester. Income limits can vary from year to year and depends upon the number of persons in the household.

#### 2024 INCOME GUIDELINES REGION 5 (Burlington, Camden & Gloucester)

# of	Very Low	Low	Low	Moderate	Moderate	
Persons	Maximum	Income	Income	Income	Income	
in		Minimum	Maximum	Minimum	Maximum	Median
household						Income
1	\$24,087.00	\$24,088.00	\$40,145.00	\$40,146.00	\$64,232.00	\$80,290.00
2	\$27,528.00	\$27,529.00	\$45,880.00	\$45,881.00	\$73,408.00	\$91,760.00
3	\$30,969.00	\$30,970.00	\$51,615.00	\$51,616.00	\$82,584.00	\$103,230.00
4	\$34,410.00	\$34,411.00	\$57,350.00	\$57,351.00	\$91,760.00	\$114,700.00
5	\$37,163.00	\$37,164.00	\$61,938.00	\$61,939.00	\$99,101.00	\$123,876.00
6	\$39.916.00	\$39,917.00	\$66,526.00	\$66,527.00	\$106,442.00	\$133,052.00
7	\$42,668.00	\$42,669.00	\$71,114.00	\$71,115.00	\$113,782.00	\$142,228.00
8+	\$45,421.00	\$45,422.00	\$75,702.00	\$75,703.00	\$121,123.00	\$151,404.00

#### REGIONAL MAXIMUM ASSET LIMIT = \$212,572.00

If you believe you fall within these income limits, fill out and submit this application to our office, along with all **necessary documentation indicated** and income verification. If you are selected for a rental unit, you will be required to have a credit check by the property owner, for purchase units you will be required to obtain a mortgage on your own. If you do not meet all certification criteria, you will be removed from our list and must reapply, when, and if, you meet the income requirements.

Please remember that all applications and documents are held in the strictest confidence. If you have any further questions, please contact me by emailing me at <a href="mailto:mlousing@mountlaurel.com">mlhousing@mountlaurel.com</a> or by phone at 856-234-0001 ext. 1318. Below is the mailing address to return your application and documents.

Trish Hochreiter, Administrative Agent for the Affordable Program in Mount Laurel Mount Laurel Township
750 Centerton Road – 3<sup>rd</sup> floor
Mount Laurel, NJ 08054

### Affordable Housing Policies and Requirements

For All Applicants_	

- It is unlawful to discriminate against any person making application to buy or rent a home with regard to age, race, religion, national origin, sex, handicapped, familial status or sexual orientation.
- This affordable housing must be the intended primary residence of the applicant.
- All household members who intend to reside at the affordable home must be listed on the Application. If changes in household composition occur during the application process, or if there is a change of address, phone number, or email address the applicant is required to notify the Township of Mount Laurel, Office of Affordable Housing in writing, immediately. If this is not done the township will have no way to contact you and your name will be removed.
- Applications must be truthful, complete and accurate. Any false statement makes the application null and void, and subjects the applicant to penalties imposed by law.
- Annual Income includes, but is not limited to, salary or wages, alimony, child support, social security benefits, unemployment benefits, pensions, business income, and actual or imputed earnings from assets (which include bank accounts, certificates of deposit, stocks, bonds, or other securities), and real estate.
- ❖ If you own a home in which you are currently residing and which you intend to sell prior to living in an affordable home, compute your income from this asset by taking the market value of your home, subtracting any applicable broker fees AND the current principal of your mortgage, and multiply the balance by 2%. Income from other real estate holdings is determined by the actual income you receive from the asset (less expenses, but not less your mortgage payment).
- Specific documentation to verify income is due at the time of submitting your application.
- ❖ Please understand that the pricing for affordable housing is established and governed by Federal, State and / or municipal regulations. Although consideration is made for low- and moderate − categories of household incomes, sales prices do not fluctuate based on each individual applicant's income. Therefore, we cannot and do not guarantee that any home will be affordable to YOU or YOUR household.
- ❖ We do not provide financing to purchase affordable units. Financing for an affordable home is subject to terms and conditions set forth by the State of New Jersey. Monthly payments, including principal, interest, property taxes, insurance and condominium fees, may not exceed 33% of your income with the applicant receiving homebuyer counseling by an agency approved by HUD or the NJ Department of Banking and Insurance, which details the advisability of such a mortgage loan. For a list of approved counseling agencies, contact HUD or the N.J. Department of Banking and Insurance.



## **Application for Affordable Program**

### **Mount Laurel Township**

**New Jersey** 

#### A. Head of Household Information

Median Income\_\_\_\_

. Last Name:		Soc. Sec. No	Soc. Sec. No:			
2. First Name:	_ Home Phor					
. Home Address:	_ Cell Phone:					
4. P.O. Box or Apt. No:		Email:				
5. City:		County:				
		State	:		Zip:	
Everyone who will occupy the house.		Date of Birth	Sex	Income	Marital Status M/S/D/L/F	
sted in Section C. Full Name (First, Middle & Last) List	Relation To	Date of	Sex	Gross Annual	Marital Status	
					M/S/D/L/E	
<i>‡</i> 1	Head of Household			\$		
<sup>‡</sup> 2				\$		
<i>t</i> 3				\$		
<sup>‡</sup> 4				\$		
<b>‡</b> 5				\$		
<b>#</b> 6				\$		
Oo you require a handicap accessible Please provide a Doctors certification of you currently receive Section 8 Both Control on which waiting list do	on regarding you	ave you been a	-			
GO TO THE NEX	Г PAGE – DO N	OT WRITE B	ELOW '	<u> THE LINE</u>		
otal # of Household Members	Bedroom Si	zo Gr	oss Ann	ual Income		

\_\_\_\_\_\_ % of Median\_\_\_\_\_\_ Util. Allow\_\_\_\_\_

#### **EMPLOYMENT INFORMATION**

List employment information for each household member who is 18 years of age or older. If the individual is not currently employed, please state their status as unemployed, disable, retired, or full time student. If employed less than one (1) year with the current employer, please indicate previous employment information. This information shall be verified with the Verification of Employment form enclosed in this application.

Household Member Name		_Job Title		
Employer Address	City_	StateZip Code		
Years/Months at Job	Full or Part Time	_Gross Weekly Salary \$		
Immediate Supervisors Name		Phone Number		
Is this your current employer	If not, give Hire Date:	End Date:		
Household Member Name		_Job Title		
Employer Name				
Employer Address	City_	StateZip Code		
Years/Months at Job	Full or Part Time	_Gross Weekly Salary \$		
Immediate Supervisors Name	_Phone Number			
Is this your current employer	If not, give Hire Date:	End Date:		
Household Member Name		_Job Title		
Employer Name				
Employer Address	City_	StateZip Code		
Years/Months at Job	Full or Part Time	_Gross Weekly Salary \$		
Immediate Supervisors Name	Phone Number			
Is this your current employer	If not give Hire Date:	End Date:		

# MUST BE FILLED OUT BY YOUR EMPLOYER AND RETURNED WITH A COMPLETED APPLICATION.

#### REQUEST FOR VERIFICATION OF EMPLOYMENT

	INSTRUCTIONS				
Please complete items 1 through 3. Forward this for Part II of this form.	rm to your employer so they may	complete			
	PART I				
Name and Address of Applicant	2. Name and Address of Employer				
Telephone #	Telephone #				
3. My signature below authorizes my employer to vo	erify all information contained on	this form.			
	Social Security #				
	PART II				
EMPLOYER: Please complete the remainder of the Affordable Housing Department, 100 Mount Laurel		Mount Laurel Tow	vnship,		
Applicant's Date of Employment:	6A. Base Pay (Current)				
	\$	Annual \$	Hourly		
4. Present Position	\$	Monthly \$	Weekly		
	\$	_Other (Specify)	7		
REMARKS: (If paid hourly, please indicate the current and past year.	6B. EARNINGS Average	e hours worked ea	ch week during		
	TYPE	YEAR TO DATE	PAST YEAR		
	BASE PAY	\$	\$		
	OVERTIME	\$	\$		
SIGNATURE OF EMPLOYER	COMMISSION	\$	\$		
TTTLE: DATE:		¥	¥		
	BONUS	\$	\$		

#### ADDITIONAL INCOME INFORMATION

ALL INCOME INFORMATION FROM ALL SOURCES IS REQUIRED FOR EVERY HOUSEHOLD MEMBER WHO IS EIGHTEEN (18) YEARS OF AGE OR OLDER, INCLUDING BENEFIT OR SUPPORT FOR THE CARE OF MINOR CHILDREN. IF THE SITUATION DOES NOT APPLY, COMPLETE THE ANSWER WITH ZERO (0) OR N/A.

State the amount of additional Incor	ne and how often it	is received:			
Pension \$	Disability \$	Disability \$			
Social Security \$	Welfare/A	Welfare/AFDC \$			
Unemployment \$	Child Supp	ort \$			
Alimony \$	ceive child support, you and a statement from th	must submit a signed ar e appropriate enforcem	nd notarized affidavit form, or		
List all checking and savings account including stocks, bonds, or any other assets. Please att	g CD's, money market fu	nds, mutual funds, asse	ts held by financial institutions,		
Financial Institution/Name of Asset	Account Number	Current Value	Interest/Dividend		
If you do not have any accounts, plea	se check here				
Please answer the following questions. If th	e situation does not app	oly, complete the answ	er with zero (0) or N/A		
Have you sold a home within the last thr	ee (3) years?	_Address of home:			
If sold date of sale	_Sale Price: \$	attached	a copy of the settlement sheet.		
If you still own the home, list its current	market value \$	attached a cop	y of an appraisal or analysis		
What is the amount of the outstanding n	nortgage or other liens	s \$	Equity\$?		
If you still own a home, is this a rental pr	operty?				
List any other property owned within the	e last three years:				

If you rent what is your current monthly rental amount\_\_\_\_\_\_

Please list any other financial information necessary to accurately reflect your current income on a separate sheet of paper. If the preceding financial information does not include sufficient funds for a 5% down payment on a purchase unit and the required closing costs, please list that information on a separate sheet of paper.

For the housing officer to verify all the information on the application, you must submit copies of the following documents with your application. Your application will be returned if this information is not submitted at time of application filing

- 1. Signed copies of the last three (3) years of Federal Income Tax Returns, including W-2's and 1099's.
- 2. Copies of the three (3) most current pay check stubs for each family member employed who is 18 years of age or older.
- 3. Proof of Pension, Social Security Benefits, Disability, Unemployment Compensation, Welfare, AFDC.
- 4. Proof of child support/alimony.
- 5. Recent statements for all bank accounts, brokerage accounts, investments, etc. at least 2 months
- 6. Originals of Verification of Employment forms for all household members who are 18 years of age or older completed and signed by all employers.
- 7. Proof of any other income.

Any misrepresentation of information for the purpose of obtaining a low or moderate-income unit is a violation of N.J.S.A. 2C:28-1 –et.seq. And subject to the fines and penalties as permitted under ordinance 1987-36.

I hereby certify that the information provided herein is true and complete and that any misrepresentation of income or household size reported herein shall be cause for program disqualification. I also understand that this information is to be used only for determining my eligibility for a purchase or rental low or moderate-income housing in Mount Laurel Township in accordance with the restrictions and controls governing affordable housing. I further understand that pre-qualification does not guarantee me a housing unit under this program. I understand that a credit check and/or ability to obtain a mortgage will be necessary when a unit for which I qualify become available.

I further certify that the attached copies of the above described documents are true and accurate copies of the originals of such copies and do represent copies of the documents being requested.

Return the completed application to: Mount Laurel Township, Trish Hochreiter, 100 Mount Laurel Road, Mount Laurel, NJ 08054 or by email to mlhousing@mountlaurel.com

ANY PERSONS WHO ARE 18 YEARS OF AGE OR OLDER INCLUDED ON THIS APPLICATION MUST SIGN BELOW AS WELL. ALL SIGNATURES MUST BE NOTARIZED BY A NOTARY PUBLIC (SHOWING PROOF WITH

ID) Signed thisday of		, 20		
Applicant		Applicant		
Sworn and subscribed before	e me, This	day of	,20	
Notary Public				

#### **Existing Locations for affordable units in Mount Laurel:**

Laurel Creek Condominiums Stone Gate Condominiums Stone Mill Estates Court of Brookfield Rancocas Pointe

Renaissance Club (Ark Road) (Age Restricted)

The Neil (Fellowship Road)

VOADV (Centertown Road)

Birchfield (Condo's)

The Gables (Marne Highway)

Laurel Green Apartments (Ark Road)

**Briggs & Union Mill Road Apartments** 

Haddon Point/Mason Creek Flats (Route 38/Fostertown Road) Age Restricted

Developers or a management company may handle these future locations. That information will not be available until the units are built and ready to occupy.

**Future Locations: Rentals in Mount Laurel** 

Fairshare Housing (Senior Apartments) (Hov Tech Blvd)

When you are certified under the affordable program this does not guarantee an individual a unit, you may find you could be on the list for many years and/or never called. You may be certified as a low/moderate income applicant, however all units whether low or moderate may not be affordable to everyone, as they are all are priced differently depending on the date of purchase by current owner, purchase price at that time and if there were any increases approved by the State. If we are informed that someone wants to sell their affordable unit, we will go through our list depending on the classification (low or moderate) of the unit and gather a list of applicants whose income and family size match the unit that is available and they will be contacted only.

If it is a low-income unit and you are certified as a low-income applicant, you may or may not be contacted, it depends on whether your income is enough to afford to purchase or rent the unit. This program is not a guarantee for a unit to become available for everyone to rent or purchase, it is based on what units become available and whether a person can afford that particular unit.

**PLEASE NOTE:** if you are contacted about a purchase unit, you must have 5% of your own monies for down payment and closing costs. The Township does not have grant programs; this can be applied through the County or contact the NJ Mortgage and Finance Agency for any grants available for you. The applicant will be responsible for obtaining a mortgage commitment for Purchase Units and for Rental Units the applicant will be required through the property owner of the unit and a credit check/background check will be done. You will be required to have the appropriate funds for security deposit and 1<sup>st</sup> month rent. You can reach out to Burlington County for rental assistance by calling the county office at 609-518-4839.

Certified applicants on the waiting list will be contacted at least annually to update their file with current information and to verify whether they are still eligible to remain on the waiting list. The Affordable Housing Administrative Agent will notify the certified applicants in writing and send at least three (3) notices requesting updated documentation. Certified applicants that do not respond after the third notice will be removed from the waiting list.

Once a certified applicant is removed from the list, and contact is made with the Township expressing interest in remaining on the waiting list for affordable housing. The applicant will be required to submit a new application, and if still eligible, their file will be based on the new certification date.

For more information, you can check out the following websites for information on the affordable program in NJ

https://www.njhousing.gov/dca/hmfa/about/has/ - NJ Mortgage and Finance Agency

https://nj.gov/dca/divisions/lps/hss/admin\_files/uhac/2006uhacmanual.pdf - UHAC Manual

Malikah Morris, Director of Burlington County Housing Hub 609-265-5185 – housinghub@co.burlington.nj.us

If you require immediate housing or financial assistance, please contact the following agencies:

Burlington County Social Services – 609-261-1000 – <a href="http://www.bcbss.org">http://www.bcbss.org</a>
Burlington County Housing Authority – 609-386-0246 –
<a href="http://www.burlingtonha.com">http://www.burlingtonha.com</a>

Please return just the 5-page application all other information is yours to keep. The application and your documentation can be emailed to <a href="mailto:mlhousing@mountlaurel.com">mlhousing@mountlaurel.com</a> or regular mail at:

Trish Hochreiter, Affordable Housing Administrator Mount Laurel Township 750 Centerton Road – 3<sup>rd</sup> floor Mount Laurel, NJ 08054