

Spokane Housing Authority
Request for Proposals
VASH Project-Based Voucher Program

Questions and Answers – Updated 12/4/24

Question 1: Can we apply for VASH vouchers to be used in two-bedroom units, but be filled with a single person household and be paid at a single bedroom unit rate?

Answer: Placing a household in a PBV unit larger than their voucher size is generally not allowed unless it meets specific exceptions, such as a reasonable accommodation associated with the voucher holder's disability or medical needs. Per HUD's Project-Based Voucher regulations at 24 CFR 983.52(c), "for a family to be eligible for assistance in the specific unit, the unit must be appropriate for the size of the family under the PHA's subsidy standards...". Spokane Housing Authority's subsidy standards specify one bedroom for each two persons, and one bedroom for single person households. It may be possible to alter the units so that they are one bedroom, provided they otherwise meet HUD standards.

Question 2: Can we submit one application for the portfolio of projects that we would like to obtain vouchers for, or do we need to submit individual applications for each property?

Answer: Properties that are packaged within the same financing structure for rehabilitation should be included in the same application. Otherwise, proposals for separate properties should be in separate applications.

Question 3: Must the applicant be a not-for-profit entity, or can it be for profit?

Answer: Applicants can be not-for-profit or for profit.