

## ACCESS GRANT PROGRAM

The City of Fairfield Housing Authority and Housing Rehabilitation is pleased to announce a new program that will provide accessibility grant assistance to disabled Section 8 Housing Choice Voucher participants.

Federal Law, under the Fair Housing Act as amended in 1988, requires property owners to allow reasonable modifications and reasonable accommodations to the property for persons with disabilities.

A person with a disability has the right to obtain a modification or accommodation to a dwelling, if it is a reasonable request and it is necessary to afford equal enjoyment of the property.

A **one time** accessibility grant assistance up to \$5,000 for the following eligible modification (not necessarily limited to):

- Widening doorways and hallways
- Replacement of door knobs with lever action handles
- Sliding doors
- Grab bars
- Ramps
- Transitional floor coverings
- Bathtub or showers
- Toilet alterations or modifications
- Electrical switches and convenience outlet relocation
- Plumbing alteration or modifications

Qualification requirements:

- Disabled participant of the Section 8 Housing Choice Voucher program
- Request for accommodation or modification must be reasonable, verified by a health or service professional, and approved by the Fairfield Housing Authority
- Income eligibility limits are based on HUD's guidelines
- Disabled participant must identify a unit in Fairfield and Cordelia and an owner willing to participate in this program
- Owner must execute an agreement allowing the occupant to modify the unit. In addition, the agreement shall state that the occupant is not required to convert the unit back to its original state when the tenancy cease
- No cost to the owner

If you need financial assistance in having your assisted unit modified to accommodate your disability, please call the Fairfield Housing Authority at (707) 428-7392.

### **NONDISCRIMINATION**

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FHA affirms its commitment to equal opportunity and equal access to services. For additional information, contact the Housing Operations Supervisor at 707-428-7391 or the Housing Division Manager at 707-428-7387.

