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**Who is NOT eligible?**

1. Individuals and families living in public housing or using housing vouchers

I think the best way to accomplish the intent of #2 is to modify the sentence above from the FAQs to say "Individuals and families receiving HUD assistance with their rent – project based units or Housing Choice/Section 8 vouchers – are not eligible"

There is a group of families who live in Merritt Homes and Newsome Homes in McKinney, who are in tax credit units so they are **not** eligible for HUD assistance with lowering their rent because of income reduction like those who are in project based units or receiving Section 8 vouchers. Those in tax credit units pay a decreased rent tied to market rate but the rent will **not** be adjusted by HUD based on job loss or income change. Those are the families that we have been declining under the current definition that we need to go back and see if we can assist. If that doesn't make sense, please feel free to give me a call. Janay

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Can you give me a little more info on number 2?

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Bill,

Below are the items mentioned on the phone call to be included in the Commissioners packet for July 27<sup>th</sup>. Thank you so much! Janay

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All,

Attached are the guidelines for the Collin CARES EHLA program that were approved by the County Commissioners. It does look like assistance to “voucher holders” was prohibited per this document. My understanding of the policies that we are going to ask them to change, per the phone call are:

- 1) Allow Section 8 voucher holders to receive assistance through the program, for their portion of the rent, if they meet all other program requirements
- 2) Allow residents of public housing to receive assistance through the program, for months that they have not already been assisted with other CARES Act funding, up to a total of four months of assistance from all CARES Act funded programs.
- 3) Allow Food Card Assistance Program to be a stand-alone program for residents that qualify for the EHLA program. Assistance is not tied to same months as program assistance and maximum amount of assistance is not under the \$2,500 per month assistance cap. (\$50 per week, per household member, up to a maximum of \$1,600 in assistance)

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