

ELIGIBILITY

Income and Asset Limit (as at 01/10/2023):

Income Limits for Register of Interest

HOUSEHOLD	WEEKLY INCOME
Single person	\$1,119
Couple, no dependents	\$1,712
Family (1 or 2 parents with Up to 2 dependent children)	\$2,309
Each additional dependent	\$374

Asset Limit for Register of interest is \$36,340*

Income Limits for Priority Access Housing

HOUSEHOLD	WEEKLY INCOME
Single person	\$626
Couple, no dependents	\$1,082
Family (1 or 2 parents with 1 dependent child)	\$1,121
Each additional dependent	\$39

Asset Limit for Priority Access housing is \$14,364*

*The asset limit goes up to \$121,133 for households who need major or full disability modifications.

WHAT IS ELIGIBLE INCOME?

Everyone who will be living with you aged 18 years or over is included in the assessment.

All Centrelink income including: Parenting payment, Family tax benefit A & B, Job Seeker, all Pensions and Rent Assistance, Employment wages/earnings, Child support/Maintenance, Overseas pensions, income from investments.

Please refer to www.housing.vic.gov.au

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WHAT IS A HOUSING CO-OPERATIVE?

Rental Housing Co-operatives are an innovative form of social housing offering affordable housing, a supportive environment and opportunities for personal empowerment.

The properties managed by United Housing Co-operative (UHC) are leased from the Department of Families, Fairness and Housing (DFFH) or owned by UHC.

Rental rates are similar to those for Public Housing. Rents are used for maintenance and administration of the co-operative. Rents are affordable and no more than 75% of market rent.

UHC manages a total of 137 properties in the following LGA:

- City of Brimbank
- City of Hobsons Bay
- City of Maribyrnong
- City of Moonee Valley
- City of Wyndham

WHO IS ELIGIBLE TO JOIN A CO-OPERATIVE?

A person who:

- Has a co-operative attitude and a **willingness to participate**
- Is on a **low to moderate income** e.g. Centrelink pensions or benefits, low wages or small business income
- Ties to a local area are a consideration
- Is registered on the DFFH Office of Housing waiting list, which is now called the **Victorian Housing Register (VHR)**

VICTORIAN HOUSING REGISTER

www.housing.vic.gov.au/victorian-housing-register

General enquiries: 1300 650 172

WHAT IS EXPECTED OF MEMBERS?

Members are required to attend 3 General Meetings and the Annual General Meeting each year.

New members are required to attend 2 Board of Directors' Meetings as an Observer in their 1st year.

A Members Action Group (MAG) is convened quarterly and members are encouraged to attend and help out.

All tenant/members are encouraged to share their skills and learn skills from others.

HOW DOES THE CO-OPERATIVE WORK?

The Co-operative is governed by a 'Board of Directors' consisting of six tenant members who are elected by the general membership at the Annual General Meeting each year, and two Independent Directors who are professional advisors from the community.

The Board of Directors is responsible for governance and ensuring that the Co-operative continues to operate in a way that is in the best interest of the Co-operative.

The Co-operative's CEO is responsible for the management of staff and reports to the Board of Directors.

The day-to-day operations of the Co-operative are the responsibility of the CEO and Staff.

All tenant/members are required to contribute to the Co-operative in a manner that benefits the Co-operative. This may include participating in Committee Groups and volunteer in group working bees.