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RRHA TO OPEN PUBLIC HOUSING & PROJECT BASED WAITLISTS

RICHMOND, VIRGINIA (February 10, 2023) — Richmond Redevelopment and Housing Authority (RRHA) will open six (6) public housing and project-based voucher (PBV) waitlists of various bedroom sizes on **Thursday**, **February 27, 2023**. *A project-based voucher (PBV) is a housing choice voucher where the subsidy stays with the unit, not the individual voucher holder*. The pre-application period for the PBV waitlists will end March 3, 2023, but will remain open for certain public housing bedroom sizes.

Four (4) of the six (6) waitlist communities are new to RRHA's portfolio. The waitlists opening on February 27, 2023 include:

- Public Housing: Four (4) and five (5) bedroom units
- Armstrong Renaissance 2B (62 and older): one (1) & two (2) bedroom units.
- Cool Lane Apartments: studio and one (1) bedroom units NEW!
- Urbana at Hioaks: two (2) and three (3) bedroom units NEW!
- The Heights at Brady Square: one (1), two (2) and three (3) bedroom units NEW!
- Brook Villas: two (2) and three (3) bedroom units NEW!

"RRHA is making significant strides to house more people on our current waiting list. Our goal continues to be to minimize the impact of those on other waitlists who are in need of housing by reopening them when we are able to cut the wait time down to less than six months for housing," explains RRHA Chief Executive Officer, Steven Nesmith.

To apply for these units, visit <u>rrha.com</u>, click the "Applicant Portal" box at the top of the page. Log in or click on "Click here to register" in the box at the bottom of the page. Enter your registration code or complete the personal details section to be assigned a registration code, if you do not have one. Applicants who have challenges applying or logging in should call the RRHA Customer Call Center at (804) 780-4200.

Paper applications are no longer distributed or accepted by mail, fax, or in person. "Our entire application process is now online," said Fatimah Smothers-Hargrove, Vice President of the Housing Choice Voucher and Tenant Selection Office.

For questions concerning the RRHA waitlist, contact an Assisted Housing Specialist or RRHA's Call Center at (804) 780-4200. You may also email the Housing Choice Voucher and Tenant Selection Office at <u>TenantSelection@rrha.com</u>. All emails will receive a response within two business days.

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"Building Communities. Changing Lives." is the vision of the Richmond Redevelopment and Housing Authority. RRHA is Virginia's largest public housing authority serving over 10,000 residents and managing nearly 4,000 units through the public housing program. RRHA provides subsidized housing assistance to more than 3,000 families and is a catalyst for quality affordable housing and community revitalization. For more information about RRHA programs and objectives, visit <u>rrha.com</u>, <u>Facebook.</u>, <u>Twitter</u>, <u>Linkedin</u>, or <u>Instagram</u>.

