

Housing Authority of the County of Riverside

WHAT IS FRAUD?

Fraud is a crime. A person found guilty of fraud may have to pay a fine and he/she may be put in jail. You may be guilty of fraud if you received Housing Assistance: because you told only part of the truth; because you lied; because you did not tell all of the facts right away.

In order to avoid fraud, the following must be reported in writing within 10 days of occurrence:

Any and all money received by any person staying in the home. This includes any and all money from any and all sources such as a job, earnings as a child care provider, income from In-Home Supportive Services (IHSS), unemployment insurance, disability income, Cal Works, inheritance, rental income, social security, worker's compensation, veteran's benefits, insurance settlements, death benefits, interest, income tax refunds, or any other source.

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Every person living (staying) in my home and if anyone moves in or out of my home, or if the status of anyone in my home changes such as a new child in the home, someone gets married, separated, or divorced.

Initials _____

If anyone in my home buys, sells, receives, trades or gives away property, real and personal, such as a house, land, checking, savings, any motor vehicle, life insurance policies, trust funds, or any other property. This includes real and personal property outside of the U.S.

Initials _____

In order to avoid fraud, you may not:

Allow an unauthorized person(s) to reside in the unit. Assistance may be terminated if anyone stays in the assisted unit in violation of the lease.

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Violate the terms of the lease. Repeated or serious violations of the Lease (including damaging the unit beyond normal wear and tear), are cause for termination of assistance.

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Make any payments to owner in excess of the tenant rent determined by the Housing Authority. Side payments violate the Section 8 program rules and may result in termination of assistance payments on your unit.

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Allow anyone to use your bank account(s) to cash and write checks for any person(s) not part of my household or allow unauthorized persons to use my address as their mailing address or live in the assisted unit that it may result in the termination of my rental assistance.

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The consequences of fraud are serious. In addition to termination of rental assistance, they may include criminal prosecution, payment of fines and or jail or prison.

I understand all items on this form regarding fraud, what my reporting responsibilities are and the need to report any changes of income, property, and persons in my home. Even if I/we have already reported a change on a Change Reporting form, I/we must still report it in subsequent Eligibility Questionnaires. **Initials** _____

All household members 18 years of age and older must sign and date:

Signature of Head of Household Date

Signature of Other Adult Date

Signature of Other Adult Date

Signature of Other Adult Date

I have read and explained this form to the above participants: _____

Initials of Housing Specialist Date