



We can help make your home
ACCESSIBLE

***HCV Participants with a verifiable disability
are eligible to apply for the***

HomeMod Fund

to cover the cost of home modifications, such as:

**Ramps | Porch or Stair Lifts | Widened Doorways
Comfort-Height Toilets | Roll-In Showers | Grab Bars or Rails
Zero-Step Entry or Room Transitions**

Home Modification Fund for HCV Participants

CHA has partnered with the Chicago Mayor's Office for People with Disabilities (MOPD) to offer Housing Choice Voucher (HCV) participants with a verifiable disability the opportunity to receive home accessibility modifications to make their current or soon-to-be home more accessible, free of charge.

Modifications can include, but are not limited to: ramps, porch or stair lifts, widened doorways, accessible sinks or cabinets, roll-in showers, grab bars or grab rails, zero-step entry or room transitions.

While multiple modifications can be requested per project, funding is capped at \$10,000 per project.

Qualification Criteria

To qualify for modification assistance from the HomeMod Fund, a member of the HCV participant household must have a verifiable disability, and the modifications requested must assist that person to manage their disability.

Application Process

Project approval through the HomeMod Fund follows a 5-step process:

1. The HCV participant must request a Reasonable Accommodation from CHA by completing the form, and marking "HomeMod Fund" as the accommodation being requested.
2. If the Reasonable Accommodation is approved, CHA will send a HomeMod Fund application to the HCV participant to complete and return.
3. CHA will review the HomeMod Fund application and send all necessary documentation to the Mayor's Office for People with Disabilities (MOPD) for further review.
4. MOPD will contact the HCV participant and unit property owner to discuss the project scope, schedule a site inspection and complete the application.
5. Once the application is approved, MOPD will hire licensed, insured and experienced home remodeling companies to make the modifications. The time frame for project completion varies depending on the scope of the modification.

Fund Availability

Limited funds are available every year, and are awarded to eligible HCV participants on a first-come, first-served basis. As such, CHA encourages interested applicants to submit their requests early.

If a qualified HCV participant is approved for a Reasonable Accommodation, but funds are no longer available for modifications, they will be placed on a waiting list. CHA will then contact the participant when the following calendar year's funds are available.

Note: *If a HCV participant is granted a modification, the household is not eligible to apply for an additional assistance from the HomeMod Fund until the following calendar year.*

Eligibility for Additional Subsidy

Participants who have their unit modified through the HomeMod Fund may be eligible for an Exception Payment Standard (by requesting another reasonable accommodation). For more information, contact the CHA Fair Housing Department.

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