



Doorway Housing Portal

Searching for an affordable home in the Bay Area is much harder and more time-consuming than it should be. It is often paper-based, different for every property, and with unclear eligibility criteria and placement processes.

To make the search easier, the **Bay Area Housing Finance Authority** has launched the **Doorway Housing Portal**, at www.housingbayarea.org. Housing seekers can use the portal to search for housing on their phone or computer and complete an application in less than 10 minutes. The portal will transform the housing search process across the region: in addition to saving time, housing seekers will be able to determine eligibility upfront, apply for multiple listings, and get up-to-date lottery, waitlist and placement information. The Doorway Housing Portal is based on the open-source code from the DAHLIA San Francisco Housing Portal, a proven approach to making it easier to find and apply for affordable housing.

The Doorway Housing Portal Will:

- Create a one-stop shop for housing seekers' needs
- Allow applicants to get up-to-date lottery and waitlist information
- Simplify the lease-up process for developers and property managers
- Provide important data about affordable housing demand, which will help create more housing resources

The portal also will grow the shared technology platform so regional partners can share costs, making it less expensive to operate, and create shared tools that cities and counties can use to help simplify the process of building and leasing affordable housing.



The Doorway Housing Portal provides a simple and equitable way for residents to find and apply for affordable housing in the Bay Area, and builds a shared technology platform with transparent processes from marketing to moving-in. The Portal helps people, housing providers and local governments, and provides critical data to shape policy and attract more housing resources.

Doorway Is Committed to:

- Promoting the fair and equitable allocation of housing resources across the Bay Area
- Respecting local jurisdictions' need for flexibility
- Promoting transit-oriented communities
- Supporting collaborative, cost-effective work across the region
- Generating useful data that benefits housing policy work while protecting individuals' privacy

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