







What is WHA?

- Second-largest Public Housing Authority (PHA) in New England
- Largest landlord in City of Worcester serving elderly, disabled, and families
- *3,000 units*
- 25 properties
- State & federal sites
- Public Housing & Section 8

Providing Housing, Building Futures

The mission of the Worcester Housing Authority is to enhance the Worcester community by creating and sustaining decent, safe, and affordable housing that champions stability and self-sufficiency for our residents



What is WHA?

- More than housing
- Self-sufficiency programs
- Summer camps & concert series
- Holiday meals & gift distribution
- Tackling food insecurity
- Many departments serving our housing community in a variety of ways







What Is Section 8?

- Federally-funded program to provide private housing for qualifying individuals and families
- Voucher covers roughly 30% of rent, with the PHA paying the remaining cost
- Types of vouchers: Tenant-based (mobile) and project-based









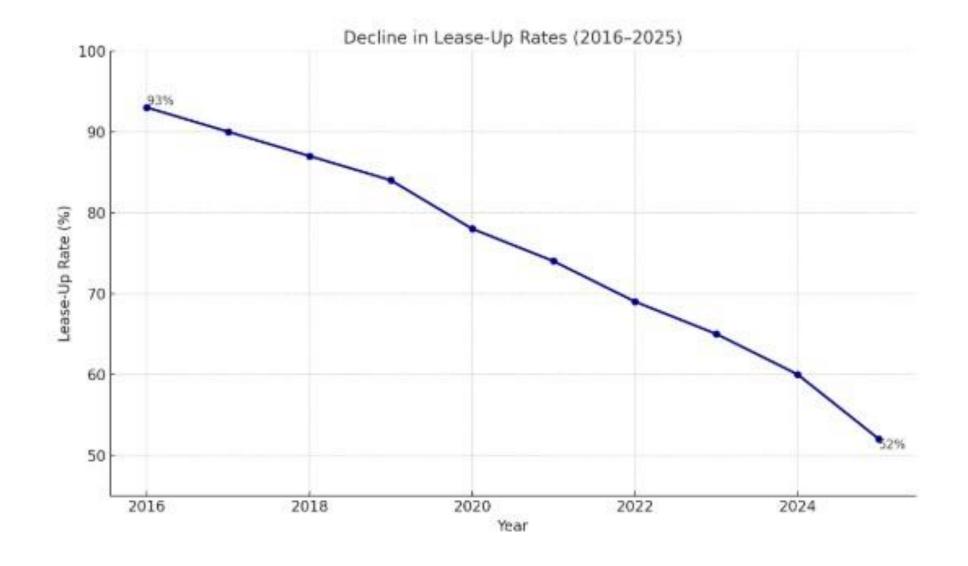
WHA's Section 8 Program

- Serving almost 10,000 participants in 58 towns throughout Central Massachusetts
- 1,300 landlords
- 4,000-plus mobile and fixed vouchers
- WHA generally has 100-150 participants with voucher in hand searching for an apartment to rent



The Challenges We Face





- Supply vs. demand
- Approximately 30K people on combined wait lists
- 10-12 year wait for Section 8 housing
- Loss of voucher after 6 months







Join the Team!

- Guaranteed rent payment on time every month (70%)
- Pre-screened applicants
- Property inspection support
- Ongoing assistance with tenancy issues through WHA Legal Department
- Access to large participant pool
- Positive community impact
- Access to new WHA Landlord Portal at https://worcesterha.myhousing.com/



Understanding the Landlord's POV Q & A



