

New York City Housing Authority
Resident Board Members' Recruitment Process
Frequently Asked Questions

What is NYCHA's Board Structure?

In 2013, NYCHA expanded its Board from four members to seven. Three of those seven members are Resident Board Members. Because of the increased resident representation on the Board, residents can be expected to have a greater say in NYCHA's operations.

How many Resident Board Member positions are being filled?

Two (2) of the three (3) Resident Board Member positions will be filled.

How do I qualify to be a Resident Board Member?

To qualify for this position, you must be:

- A current tenant of record or an authorized household member.
- A resident in good standing: (1) current in rent, in compliance with rent payment agreement, or gave NYCHA consent to apply to the Emergency Rental Assistance Program for arrears accruing post-March 13, 2020; (2) no determination from the Office of Impartial Hearings of lease non-compliance; (3) in compliance with an Office of Impartial Hearings' case stipulation of settlement, if any; and (4) no circumstances existing that create immediate threat to health and safety of other residents or NYCHA property, including criminal activity.
- At least 18 years old.
- Investigated and cleared for service by the New York City Department of Investigation and the New York City Conflicts of Interest Board.

When will the position begin?

January 2022/February 2022.

How long will I have to serve?

- Resident Board Members will be appointed by the Mayor to serve up to a three-year term.
- The Mayor can remove any Board Member, other than the Chair, during his or her term by serving the Member with a document stating the reasons for removal. This document must be filed with the city's Commissioner of Citywide Administrative Services, and it will be made available to the general public.

How do I apply?

- *On-line* - You can apply on-line at <http://on.nyc.gov/nycha-board> and/or
- *By mail* - Download and print the application at <http://on.nyc.gov/nycha-board> or pick up an application at your local Property Management Office or Borough Management Office. For those who choose to apply by mail, all mailed applications must be sent by U.S. Postal Service regular mail to: NYCHA Resident Board Member, P.O. Box 3422, New York, NY 10008-3422.

What is the application filing period?

The application filing period commences on November 8, 2021 and ends on December 31, 2021. All applications must be submitted online or postmarked by December 31, 2021.

Will there be an interview?

Selected candidates will be interviewed by a committee comprised of NYCHA employees and Citywide Council of Presidents (“CCOP”) Members. In addition, selected candidates will be interviewed by the NYCHA Chair and the Office of the Mayor of the City of New York.

Is the Resident Board Member position full time?

No. Resident Board Members are not required to serve full time and, therefore, the candidates selected may hold another job or maintain his/her current employment, provided that the candidate is not employed by NYCHA or the employment does not pose a conflict of interest. However, it is anticipated that Resident Board Members will need to commit approximately 15-20 hours per month to carry out Board responsibilities.

Will I earn a salary?

No. Each Resident Board Member will receive a monthly stipend of \$250 for every four hours of work performed for NYCHA, up to a maximum of \$1,500 per month.

Will the stipend affect my income for purposes of determining my NYCHA rent?

Any stipend amounts of more than \$200 a month will count towards your annual income.

What is the Mayor looking for in an applicant?

The successful candidate will have strong communications, interpersonal and computer skills, as well as a demonstrated commitment to and an interest in public housing.

What is the role of NYCHA Board Members?

- Board Members will meet at least once a month to conduct NYCHA business and vote on contracts, policies, rules and regulations, and other administrative matters.
- Board Members will be expected to review materials in preparation for Board and Committee meetings.
- Board Members may also be required to attend events as Board representatives.
- All Board Members are expected to be active and involved, and to maintain a record of good attendance. In addition, they should seek to adhere to the principles of good government: honesty, accountability, and the avoidance of conflicts of interest.

Can I serve as a Resident Board Member if I am a NYCHA employee?

No.

Can I serve as a Resident Board Member if I am a member of a Resident Association Board or part of CCOP?

If appointed as the Resident Board Member, you must resign from your Resident Association or CCOP position.

For additional information, please visit <http://on.nyc.gov/nycha-board> or call 212-306-3428.