

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC UTILITIES

MULTI-UNIT MASTER METERED PROPERTY WATER/SEWER LOW INCOME DISCOUNT PROGRAM APPLICATION

PROPERTY OWNER:			
	Last	First	Middle
SERVICE ADDRESS:			
	Number	Street/Road	
	City	State	Zip Code
TELEPHONE:	()		
ACCOUNT NUMBER (fr water/sewer bill):	rom		
TOTAL NUMBER OF U	NITS:		

PROPERTY OWNER MUST TRANSMIT THE FULL BENEFIT OF THE DISCOUNT TO THE RESIDENTS.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

To be eligible for the multi-unit master metered properties low income discount program, at least one of the following eligibility criteria must be met:

- 1. Property receives subsidized housing benefits (please check all that apply). Documentation must be provided.
 - □ HUD Section 8
 - □ HUD Section 8 "Housing Choice" vouchers
 - □ HUD Section 202
 - □ HUD Section 236

□ HUD Section 811

Public Housing

□ LIHTC (Low Income Housing Tax Credit)

 \Box Other (explain):

OR

 80% of units meet the income levels of 150% (or less) of the current Federal Poverty Level with their household income or are currently enrolled in a qualifying low income program such as food stamp benefits, Ohio Medicaid, Low Income Energy Assistance, Home Energy Assistance, Public Housing Benefits, or Ohio Works First. Documentation must be provided for each unit.

REQUIRED DOCUMENT SUBMISSION

All applicants must submit the following:

- Copy of a standard tenant lease (must be copy of an actual signed lease with one of the tenants leasing a unit at the property)
- Roster of current tenant names and addresses for each unit the tenant is leasing

Property owners who bill tenants for water/sewer services must submit the following:

- Copy of a current water/sewer bill that is billed to a tenant, along with copy of tenant's payment for bill
- If water/sewer billing is handled by a third party, please attach copy of current contract with the third party

Property owners who pay the water/sewer services and do <u>not</u> direct bill tenants for those services, must submit the following:

• Documentation of the formula used for transmitting the full benefit of the discount to the tenants.

General Information:

- A. Customer will receive a 20% discount on water and sewer commodity charges (actual usage)
- B. Discount will not include:
 - 1) Meter reading fees
 - 2) Late charges, interest or other associated charges
- C. Eligibility must be established annually:
 - 1) Customer must sign a new application on or before the date of the previous year's application to maintain eligibility
- D. If customer becomes ineligible for the discount:
 - 1) Customer will notify Customer Service as soon as possible, but no later than 30 days of the customer's ineligibility
- E. Falsifying information/failing to notify eligible status change may include:
 - 1) Termination of water services
 - 2) Recovery of past discounts
 - 3) Civil and/or criminal sanctions

Current 150% federal poverty level income levels can be found on the department's website at: https://www.columbus.gov/utilities/customers/Utility-Discount-Programs/

For questions on eligibility, please contact Customer Service at 614-645-8276 or UtilityLeadRep@columbus.gov.

Submit completed application with required documentation by:

Email to: <u>UtilityLeadRep@columbus.gov</u>

OR

• Mail to: (documents submitted with this application will not be returned):

Columbus Department of Public Utilities Customer Service 910 Dublin Road Columbus OH 43215

The information associated with this application has been examined by me, and is, to the best of my knowledge and belief, true, correct and complete.

Property Owner's Signature:

Date: _____

Prepared by signature (if different from applicant):