



## NEW SMYRNA BEACH HOUSING AUTHORITY

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### FRAUD STATEMENT

Chapter 409.325 of Florida Statutes makes it a crime, punishable by fines ranging from \$50 to \$5000; or imprisonment for up to five (5) years; or both if a housing applicant or resident deliberately makes false statement about his/her income or fails to disclose a material fact affecting their income and rent.

Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code also makes it a crime punishable by fines up to \$10,000; or imprisonment up to five (5) years; or both for making any false, fictitious, or fraudulent statement or representations or using any false writing or document in a matter within the jurisdiction of any department or agency of the United States.

This means that if you, as an applicant, or a resident, knowingly gives the New Smyrna Beach Housing Authority false information about your income, or fail to report, in person or in writing, changes within ten (10) days, you may be charged with fraud under Chapter 409.325 and/or Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code.

If as a result of committing fraud, withholding information, or making misrepresentation to the NSBHA, you receive any rental assistance or lower rent than that which you are entitled, you will be responsible for making restitution to the NSBHA and will be subject to local, state, and federal prosecution as well. This could result in fines, imprisonment or both as well as the loss of your eligibility for this agency's housing programs.

If have read the above statement or had it read to me and fully understand the consequences of not correctly reporting my family size and household income. I also understand that I must report any change of my household income and change in my family size within ten (10) days from the date of the change.

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HEAD OF HOUSEHOLD SIGNATURE

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DATE

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CO-TENANT SIGNATURE

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DATE