

## SOURCE OF INCOME PROTECTION ORDINANCE

On June 18, 2019, the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors adopted a Source of Income (SOI) Protection Ordinance. Here's how this new ordinance helps protect your housing.

### Are You Protected?

SOI laws protect the rights of tenants to use income from public assistance or other sources that may be viewed as non-traditional to pay rent. Housing providers cannot lawfully reject rental applicants because they receive, or will receive, assistance in paying their rent when they are otherwise qualified for the housing.

### What is Considered a SOI?

A SOI includes regular paychecks, Social Security, Supplemental Security Income, disability income, child support, spousal support, public assistance, savings, unemployment benefits, or wages from lawful employment. For rental payments, SOI also includes a rental assistance, security deposit assistance, or housing subsidy from any federal, state, or local government, or non-profit or charitable agency, whether paid directly to the participant, landlord, or representative.

### What Areas are Covered?

Some California cities and counties have recently decided to provide SOI protections to Housing Choice Voucher (HCV) recipients including unincorporated Los Angeles County, and the Cities of Santa Monica and Los Angeles.

### Is my Rental in an Unincorporated Area?

1. Visit <https://lavote.net>
2. Select "Voting and Elections"
3. "Find Your District"
4. Select "District Map Look Up By Address"
5. Enter your address and select Submit to see if you are in the unincorporated areas of Los Angeles County

### Questions?

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## TEMPORARY RENT STABILIZATION ORDINANCE

### RSO TIMELINE

**December 20, 2018** - The Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors (BOS) adopted a temporary Rent Stabilization Ordinance (RSO), retroactive to September 11, 2018.

**April 16, 2019** - The BOS adopted an extension of the temporary RSO, which expires on December 31, 2019.

**September 10, 2019** - The BOS passed a motion to establish the framework of a permanent ordinance to limit rent increases and provide tenant protections, as well as implement eviction defense and prevention services.

### WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW ABOUT TEMPORARY RSO

Prohibits rent increases in excess of 3% above the monthly rent (single-family residences, condominiums, and housing constructed after February 1, 1995, are exempt).

Prohibits more than one rent increase in any 12-month period.

Regulates the reasons for which a landlord may terminate a tenancy for all residential rental properties.

Voids rent increases over 3% that went in effect after September 11, 2018. If a renter already paid a rent increase over 3%, the overpayment must be returned in one lump sum, or by credit against future rent due over a six-month period.

Includes a rent increase process for property owners who believe they are not receiving a fair rate of return on their property and allows property owners with 50 or fewer rental units to pass on the direct cost of the Measure W parcel tax to renters.

### Questions?

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## FAMILY SELF-SUFFICIENCY

The LACDA operates a voluntary Family Self-Sufficiency (FSS) Program designed to help families achieve economic self-sufficiency by providing services ranging from case management and referrals to supportive social services. Additionally, the FSS Program offers an exciting savings opportunity known as an “Escrow Account,” which is a savings account created with the LACDA match funds when your earned income (wages) increases.

### Want to Learn More?

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## HOW TO TERMINATE YOUR LEASE WHEN PORTING TO ANOTHER JURISDICTION

- 1 Submit at a minimum a 30-day written Lease Termination Notice to your property owner.
- 2 Submit a transfer request to your LACDA Case Manager with a copy of the notice.

Failure to submit a copy of the transfer request to your LACDA Case Manager will cause a delay that could result in the cancellation of the transfer.

## Do You Have Something to Say?

We Want Your Input!

The LACDA is recruiting Section 8 Program volunteers for its Resident Advisory Board (RAB) Committee to assist with the 2020 Agency Plan process. The RAB provides the opportunity to provide input on new program policies and plans. Committee members attend a minimum of one meeting each year that takes place in October/November.

### Ready to Help?

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Provide your name and contact phone number.