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## **FAMILY CHOICE IN RENTS**

#### **HUD Regulations and NHA Policy provide that families may choose to pay either:**

- a. Rent based on the income of the family (which includes the minimum rent, if applicable),
- b. Rent based on a "Ceiling" or "Flat Rent" (maximum rent charged to a family). This rate is determined by rents in Northampton for similar sized apartments with similar amenities, and the costs of operating the development.

#### **McDonald House**

Bedroom Size	2019 Flat Rents:		2018 Flat Rents:		Change in Flat Rent	
1 Bedroom	\$	831.00	\$	884.00	\$	(53.00)
2 Bedroom	\$	1,061.00	\$	1,117.00	\$	(56.00)

#### **Florence Heights**

Bedroom Size	2019 Flat Rents:	2018 Flat Rents:	<u>Change in</u> <u>Flat Rent</u>	
2 Bedroom	\$1,061.00	\$1,117	\$	(56.00)
3 Bedroom	\$1,329.00	\$1,400	\$	(71.00)
4 Bedroom	\$1,521.00	\$1,627	\$	(106.00)

Utility Allowances are provided to residents at Florence Heights. Residents who choose to pay the Flat Rent will not be required to have an annual re-certification of their incomes, but each year the Flat Rent may change. Residents may opt for the other rent calculation method at any time based on changing family circumstances.

I choose to have my rent determined based on 30% of my income.				
I choose to base my rent on the N	HA's Flat Rent.			
I choose the lesser of the two option	ons.			
Print Name	Date			
Sign Name				
Print Address				





# **Payment Standards**

Effective October 1, 2019

## For the Northampton Housing Authority's Jurisdiction

Belchertown, Chesterfield, Cummington, Easthampton, Florence, Goshen,
Hatfield, Haydenville, Huntington, Leeds, Middlefield, South Hadley, Sunderland,
Westhampton, & Williamsburg

### **Fair Market Rents for Springfield MSA**

Sunderland, Southwick, Hatfield, Hadley, South Hadley, Granby, Pelham, Ware, Blandford, Tolland, Montgomery, Russell, Granville, Westfield, Southwick, Holyoke, West Springfield, Brimfield, Agawam, Longmeadow, East Longmeadow, Springfield, Chicopee, Ludlow, Wilbraham, Hampden, Palmer, Monson & Wales

Bedroom Size	2019 FMR	2020 FMR	2019 Payment Standards**	2020 Payment Standard	Increase in Payment Standard
Efficiency	\$702	\$737	\$772	\$810	\$38
1	\$831	\$875	\$914	\$962	\$48
2	\$1061	\$1115	\$1167	\$1226	\$59
3	\$1329	\$1389	\$1461	\$1527	\$66
4	\$1521	\$1611	\$1673	\$1772	\$99

<sup>\*2019</sup> Payment Standard at 110% of 2019 FMR



<sup>\*\*2020</sup> Payment Standard at 110% of 2020FMR