

9801 PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

- 9801.1 The District of Columbia Housing Authority (DCHA) recognizes the need to encourage families in their efforts to attain self-sufficiency. As such, DCHA establishes the Achieving Your Best Life Rewards Program (AYBL), a self-sufficiency program structured around DCHA designated Public Housing developments known as Rewards Properties. Participating AYBL Families reside at these developments while preparing to become (1) homeowners; or (2) sign a lease in the private market without federal or local housing assistance. Although the primary goal of the program is to prepare public housing families to become homeowners or renters in the private market by reducing their dependency on public and housing subsidies, families also set self-declared goals related to achieving homeownership or renting in the private market without federal or local housing assistance. In an effort to assist families to become homeowners, DCHA's goal is to connect residents with available resources and services in such areas as credit and budget counseling, general life skills, job readiness assessment and training, home ownership counseling, education/vocational training and self-improvement workshops. Through case management and active participation, families will be connected with community services and related programs critical to their success. Participation in the AYBL program is voluntary.

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