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OSA Monthly Housing Assistance Program (MHAP) FAQs

What is OSA MHAP? OSA MHAP is a tenant-based rental assistance program that helps low-income Coquille families pay rent to private landlords outside the Tribe's 5-county service area. It's similar to Section 8 in public housing.

How does it work? 1) Pay your rent. 2) Turn in your receipt. 3) Receive a subsidy check.

How do I know if I'm low-income? Income limits vary based on where you live and may be much higher than you think. To give you a general idea, there's a link to the current national income limits on our webpage. The limits for your area may be higher. Please call or email us to find out for sure.

How much is the subsidy? It depends on your individual circumstances. Again, just to give you a general idea, the current one-bedroom subsidy is \$304. It goes up from there depending on family composition and household income.

What kind of place can I rent? It can be an apartment or single-family home, including space rent for a manufactured home. The type of place that doesn't qualify is an RV, a room or area in someone else's home, dorm, nursing home, public or Indian housing unit, etc.

Is there anything special the landlord needs to do? There are some lease addendums that you and your landlord will complete when you sign up, but otherwise no.

How do I apply? Fill out and return an application with the required documentation. Applications are available online at www.coquilleiha.org or by contacting Dale at the address or phone numbers shown above or by email at daleherring@coquilleiha.org.

Is there a waiting list? Sometimes. It depends on funding availability.

Anything else? If you're interested in learning more about the program, please feel free to call or email. Our office hours are Monday through Friday, 7:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. Pacific.