

NOTICE OF COMMENCEMENT OF WRIGHT CLASS SETTLEMENT CLAIM PERIOD AND CLAIM FORM

Wright, et. al. v. The Housing Authority of the City of Hartford, et. al., Case No. 3:23-cv-01285-SRU (D. Conn)

Were you a public housing tenant of the Housing Authority of the City of Hartford between July 20, 2020 and July 8, 2024 and during that time was your rent calculated using the Housing Authority of the City of Hartford's Zero Income Form or using Cash Deposits reflected on your family's account statements? During that time, did you receive a Notice to Quit and/or go to court for an eviction for nonpayment or failure to recertify without notice that you could request a grievance hearing? If so, please read this document because it could affect you. If you have questions about this case, you can contact the Settlement Administrator at 1-888-844-4160 or Class Counsel Greater Hartford Legal Aid (GHLA) at 860-541-5040 or 5043, or by walking into 999 Asylum Ave. 3rd Floor, Hartford, CT.

The purpose of this Notice is to advise that the United States District Court for the District of Connecticut approved the Settlement Agreement in the *Wright, et. al. v. The Housing Authority of the City of Hartford, et. al.*, Case No. 3:23-cv-01285-SRU (D. Conn.) class action lawsuit at a Final Approval Hearing held on June 26, 2026 and the period for Settlement Class Members to submit a claim for relief has commenced. **If you are a Settlement Class Member in the *Wright* lawsuit and wish to make a claim for relief, you must complete, sign and return the Wright Settlement Claim Form that was mailed to you, which must be postmarked by September 9, 2026 and mailed to Wright Class Settlement, c/o Settlement Administrator, Attn: Claim Forms, 1650 Arch Street, Ste. 2210, Philadelphia, PA 19103.**

If you believe you are a Settlement Class Member but did not receive a Claim Form in the mail, or if you lost or misplaced the Claim Form that was mailed to you, you must first complete, sign and return the attached Claim Form before September 9, 2026 and will have an opportunity to submit proof that you are a Settlement Class Member. The Settlement Claim Form must be postmarked by September 9, 2026 and mailed to Wright Class Settlement, c/o Settlement Administrator, Attn: Claim Forms, 1650 Arch Street, Ste 2210, Philadelphia, PA 19103. You must submit proof that you are a Settlement Class Member by October 9, 2026. For more information or to view the Settlement Agreement see: www.hartfordhousing.org or www.ghla.org or call GHLA at 860-541-5040 or 5043.

Your Family may be a Settlement Class Member if your Family falls in one or more of the following subclasses:

Zero Income Subclass: The Zero Income Subclass consists of HACH Low Income Public Housing ("LIPH") Tenant Families whose rent between July 20, 2020 through July 8, 2024 was based in whole or in part on the Zero Income or Income Insufficient to Support Lifestyle Form used by HACH to calculate income of Families claiming to have \$200 or less of adjusted income per month (the "Zero Income Form").

Cash Deposit Subclass: The Cash Deposit Subclass consists of HACH LIPH Tenant Families whose rent between July 20, 2020 through July 8, 2024 was calculated based on non-wage Cash Deposits, meaning those deposits reflected on a HACH LIPH Family's account statements that were treated by HACH as non-wage income (i.e. unearned and/or unverified) and considered in calculating the rental amount due for the Family. Pursuant to HACH practice, a pattern of three or more non-wage deposits are included in calculating the annual income as recurring and/or non-sporadic non-wage deposits.

Eviction Subclass: The Eviction Subclass consists of HACH LIPH Tenant Families who between July 20, 2020 through July 8, 2024 were evicted and/or were served with a notice to quit without being afforded an opportunity for a grievance hearing, if applicable. The Eviction Subclass *does not* include any HACH LIPH Families for whom the HACH administrative grievance procedures were not available to at the time pursuant to then controlling law or regulation including, but not limited to, Families being evicted for criminal activity that threatens the health, safety, or right to peaceful enjoyment of the premises of other residents or HACH employees, Families being evicted for any violent or drug-related criminal activity on or off the premises, Families being evicted for criminal activity that results in a felony conviction of a household member, and/or household members who did not sign a lease.

CLAIM FORM

To complete this Claim Form, provide the information requested below, initial where indicated, and sign the Certification. If you have questions about this case, you can contact the Settlement Administrator at 1-888-844-4160 or Class Counsel Greater Hartford Legal Aid (GHLA) at 860-541-5040 or 5043, or by walking into 999 Asylum Ave. 3rd Floor, Hartford, CT.

_____(Initials) I have reason to believe that I and/or my Family is a Settlement Class Member in the *Wright* class action lawsuit and wish make a claim for relief because we fall within the following subclass or subclasses (initial all that apply):

[] Eviction Subclass [] Zero Income Subclass [] Cash Deposit Subclass

_____(Initials) I authorize the Settlement Administrator to share my name and the fact that I have submitted this Claim Form with Class Counsel and counsel for Defendants, and for the Settlement Administrator or Class Counsel to contact me.

_____(Initials) I understand that if my Family is not identified by HACH as a member of the Settlement Class, my Family must present proof, which cannot be self-certification, including documentation if necessary, to demonstrate my Family is a Settlement Class Member and that HACH does not have the burden of demonstrating that my Family is not a Settlement Class Member. *The Settlement Administrator or Class Counsel will contact you with further instructions.*

_____(Initials) Although this Claim Form must be completed, signed and returned by September 9, 2026, I understand that my Family must submit proof demonstrating that we are a Settlement Class Member on or before October 9, 2026 mailed to *Wright Class Settlement, c/o Settlement Administrator, Attn: Proof of CM, 1650 Arch Street, Ste. 2210, Philadelphia, PA 19103.*

_____(Initials) I understand that my Family has the right to be represented by legal counsel and may hire counsel of my own choosing at my own expense or may be eligible for free legal representation through class counsel GHLA and may apply for individual representation by contacting GHLA at (860) 541-5043 or (860) 541-5040 for assistance with demonstrating that my Family is a Settlement Class Member.

_____(Initials) I understand that if it is determined through this process that my Family is a Settlement Class Member, we are bound by the terms of the Settlement Agreement and Release and that I had an opportunity to review the Settlement Agreement and Release.

First Name (print): _____ Last Name (print): _____

Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Current Phone Number: _____ Email: _____

If it is determined through this process that you are a Settlement Class Member, an additional claim form will be provided to you and you may have an opportunity to choose between different forms of relief.

Certification

By signing and submitting this Claim Form, I certify and affirm that the information I am providing is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief, I am over the age of 18, and I wish to claim settlement relief if I am a Settlement Class Member. I acknowledge and affirm that if it is determined that I am a Settlement Class Member, I am bound by the terms of the Settlement Agreement and Release. I acknowledge and affirm that receiving a monetary payment may affect my public benefits and that I have the opportunity to seek legal advice from counsel, including free of charge from Class Counsel Greater Hartford Legal Aid at 999 Asylum Ave. 3rd Floor in Hartford, before making this decision.

Signature: _____ Date: ____/____/____

THIS CLAIM FORM MUST BE POSTMARKED BY SEPTEMBER 9, 2026 AND MAILED to:

Wright Class Settlement, c/o Settlement Administrator, Attn: Claim Forms, 1650 Arch Street, Ste. 2210, Philadelphia, PA 19103.

CLAIM FORMS POSTMARKED AFTER SEPTEMBER 9, 2026 ARE LATE AND WILL NOT BE CONSIDERED.