#### What are NEDs?

Non-Elderly Disabled (NED) are federal Housing and Urban Development (HUD) vouchers that are used to lease-up market rate rental units where recipients pay 30% of their income towards rent.

This program has age criteria of 18-61 at the time of lease-up, and applicants must also meet low-income eligibility requirements.

There are different types of NEDs. The NED2 voucher is only available to applicants who are currently in an institutional setting. The applicant must also remain in the institution until the NED2 application is approved and the search packet is issued by the Public Housing Authority.

The other type of NED is called a Mainstream Voucher (MSV). MSVs are available to applicants who are currently in institutional settings. But it is also available to applicants who are in the community and are at risk of institutionalization or homeless/at risk of homelessness.

All NEDs are permanent affordable housing subsidies where recipients can age in place.

# **Applying for a NED**

Applicants must have current photo ID, Social Security Card, income verification from the source and bank statements for open accounts to apply.

ALTSA Housing Program Managers will work with the Home and Community Services Nursing Facility Case Manager (HCS NFCM) and the Public Housing Authority to submit completed application packets.

# ALTSA Housing Resources NED Vouchers

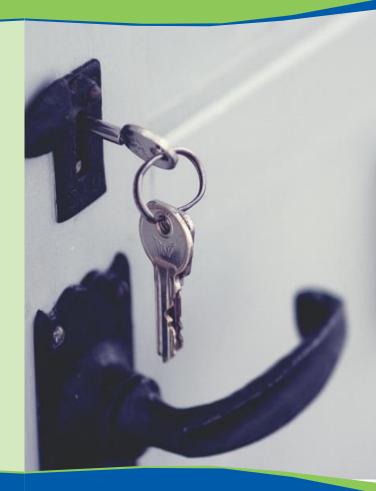
### What is the Aging and Long-Term Support Administration?

The administration within DSHS that is responsible for providing long-term care services for persons with disabilities and older adults is called ALTSA (Aging & Long-Term Support Administration). An example of a long-term care service is personal care assistance.

ALTSA understands that most people want to live independently at home for as long as possible, so ALTSA offers options to individuals that honor client choice and housing preference.

ALTSA relies on partnerships with service providers and landlords across Washington state to continually expand long-term care options for ALTSA clients.

A Home and Community Services Case Manager (HCS NFCM) can work with you to identify services you need, in addition to housing, to move from a skilled nursing facility into an apartment with ongoing supports you may need to help you stay safely at home.



Resources to help you live in your own home.

Aging and Long-Term Support Administration



# Where are NED Vouchers Available?

- Spokane (serving Spokane, Ferry, Stevens, Pend Oreille, Lincoln and Whitman counties)
- City of Yakima
- City of Kennewick
- Okanogan County
- Snohomish County
- Housing Opportunities of SW WA (serving Cowlitz, Lewis, Pacific and Wahkiakum counties)
- · City of Tacoma
- Peninsula Housing Authority (serving Jefferson and Clallam counties)





# Are You Eligible?

To have access to a NED voucher and other long-term services and supports from the Aging and Long-Term Support Administration (ALTSA), you should first be assessed by a Home and Community Services (HCS) Nursing Facility Case Manager (NFCM) to determine your functional eligibility. If you do not know the HCS NFCM assigned to the facility you are in, ask the facility social worker or other staff.

You should also complete the financial eligibility process with a DSHS financial worker. You may apply online at:

- Under age 65, apply at: www.wahealthplanfinder.org
- Over 65 and receiving Medicare, contact:

www.washingtonconnection.org

You do not need to be eligible for ALTSA services to apply for a NED voucher. But you must have been through a disability determination or have written verification of disability from a Physician.

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## **Availability**

If you would like to apply for a NED voucher, but there is no immediate availability, you can ask to be added to a waitlist and be contacted when a voucher becomes available.

Please do no contact Public Housing Authorities (PHAs) directly regarding NEDs. Applications must be submitted to PHAs by an ALTSA Housing Program Manager. Please talk with your Home and Community Services Nursing Facility Case Manager (NCS NFCM) on how to apply.

# **Other Housing Support Services**

There may be assistance available for you to find housing and lease-up, such as:

- Finding a suitable apartment unit for your needs.
- Completing and submitting applications, including the NED application.
- Obtaining current photo ID, Social Security cards and income verification.
- Providing the deposit or other move in assistance.
- On-going tenancy support services.

Talk with your HCS NFCM to learn whether Community Transition Services or Foundational Community Supports-Supportive Housing is available to you.