RESIDENT BOARD MEMBER FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS (FAQs)

Reviewing the FAQs is another way of finding answers to some of your questions about the Resident Board Member position.

1. **Do you have to be a current NYCHA resident to apply?**
   Yes. You must be a current resident and be the tenant of record or an authorized household member.

2. **How old do you have to be to apply?**
   You must be at least 18 years old.

3. **When will the position begin?**
July 1, 2011.

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4. **How long will I have to serve?**

   The Resident Board Member will serve at the Mayor’s pleasure. There is no set term.

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5. **How do I apply?**

   You may pick up an application at your local Property Management Office, Borough Management office, or NYCHA-sponsored community or senior center. You may also download the application at [www.nyc.gov/nycha](http://www.nyc.gov/nycha). Please note that applications must be printed out and mailed.

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6. **When is the application period? What is the deadline for applying?**

   Applications will be available starting April 15, 2011. All applications must be postmarked no later than May 16, 2011. All applicants will receive a confirmation postcard.

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7. **Where do I mail my completed application?**

   Applications will only be accepted by U.S. regular mail and should be mailed to: NYCHA Resident Board Member, P.O. Box 3766, New York, New York 10008-3766.

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8. **What do you mean by a tenant in good standing?**

   A tenant in good standing is someone whose tenancy has not been terminated; rent payments are up-to-date; the tenancy is not on probation; and there are no pending tenancy termination charges, legal actions for nonpayment of rent, or Bawdy House proceedings to terminate the lease because the apartment is being used to conduct an illegal business.

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9. **What else is required of the applicant?**

   The applicant must successfully complete an investigation by the New York City Department of Investigation, the New York City Conflicts of Interest Board and/or by NYCHA’s Office of Inspector General. Your tenant file will also be reviewed as part of the application process.

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10. **Will there be an in-person interview?**
   
   Selected candidates will be interviewed by the Mayor's Office and the New York City Housing Authority.

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11. **Will I earn a salary?**
   
   The Resident Board Member will receive a monthly stipend of $250.

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12. **Will the stipend affect my income for purposes of determining my NYCHA rent?**
   
   Of the $250 monthly stipend, $50 per month will count towards the Resident Board Member's income.

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13. **Is the Resident Board Member position full-time?**
   
   The Resident Board Member is not required to serve full-time. However, it is anticipated that the Resident Board Member will need to devote a minimum of 20 hours per month to carry out Board responsibilities.

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14. **What are you looking for in an applicant?**
   
   The successful candidate will have strong communications and interpersonal skills, as well as a demonstrated commitment to and an interest in public housing.

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15. **What are some examples of the type of work that the Resident Board Member would be responsible for?**
   
   Board Members are responsible for voting on contracts, resolutions, policies, motions, rules and regulations, and administrative matters. The Board holds regularly scheduled meetings. Board meetings on contracts, resolutions, policies, motions and rules and regulations take place every other Wednesday at 10:00 am (unless otherwise noted). In addition, the Board meets every Wednesday for administrative matters at 11:00 am.

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16. **Can I serve as a Resident Board Member if I am a NYCHA employee?**
   
   No.

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17. Can I serve as a Resident Board Member if I am a member of a Tenant Association Board or part of the Citywide Council of Presidents (CCOP)?

If appointed as the Resident Board Member, you must resign your Tenant Association or CCOP position.

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