An Embrace Living Community

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Dear Applicant:

In response to your inquiry, enclosed is an application packet for Greencastle of Woodlawn I. This packet includes eligibility requirements and application papers. **Please read all this information.** 

Please complete, sign and date the application papers. Any section left blank will deem the application "incomplete" and be returned to you. If any question on the forms does not apply to you, please mark it with an "n/a" or cross-through it.

Once a complete application is received, it is reviewed for preliminary eligibility according to HUD requirements. If preliminary eligibility is met, your name will be placed on the waiting list. Your name on the waiting list does not guarantee eligibility nor does it ensure housing.

This property maintains a substantial waiting list. Management cannot guarantee housing within your time frame. The waiting list is maintained in chronological order based on date and time of your application. Preference is given to extremely low income applicants or applicants displaced by government or natural disaster.

The waiting list is updated at least annually with written notification to applicants on the list. You are required to respond by returning the updated form. It is your responsibility to notify the facility office should your address, phone, or family composition change.

A thorough screening for eligibility and suitability is not done until your name is at the top or near the top of the list and you are being considered for admission. Please refer to the enclosed "Tenancy Requirement and Screening".

Sincerely,

Manager



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# **Our Community**

**Greencastle of Woodlawn I** is a seven story building with 58 units of government subsidized housing for seniors and physically challenged adults.

The community, located at 808 E. 61<sup>st</sup> Street in Chicago, Illinois, is owned and operated by Embrace Living Communities. The building opened in 1990.

The community offers 16 studio units and 42 one bedroom units. 6 units are wheelchair accessible.

Greencastle of Woodlawn I offers an on-site manager and service coordinator whom have completed national certification programs. Maintenance is also on site.

The community's board is a partnership between business, religious and political leaders from neighboring churches and the community.

### **Your Home Includes:**

- \*Modern appliances (stove, refrigerator)
- \*Air conditioning
- \*Individually controlled heat
- \*Exhaust fans in the bathroom and kitchen
- \*Water and garbage removal

### **Other Community Features Are:**

- \*Access-control entrance \*24-hour security
- \*On-site Management
- \*On-site Service Coordinator
- \*24 Hour on-call maintenance
- \*Wheelchair accessible
- \*Parking

- \*Wall-to-wall carpet
- \*Emergency alert / pendant system
- \*Full bathrooms with tub or walk-in shower

\*Community Room

- \*Pets allowed (size, weight restrictions)
- \*Smoke detectors throughout
- \*Elevators
- \*On-site laundry facilities
- \*Resident computer lab



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# **Eligibility & Cost**

## ELIGIBILITY

Management will observe all Federal, State and local laws regarding occupancy and Fair Housing. It is unlawful to discriminate on the basis of race, color, religion, sex, national origin, disability or familial status.

- AGE persons who are age 62 years of age or older; families of which the head of household is 62 years of age or older; OR physically challenged individuals, defined as a person age 18 years of age or older with a physical disability, that is expected to be of long-continued and indefinite duration, substantially impedes the ability to live independently, and, is such that the ability to live independently could be improved by more suitable housing conditions.
- INCOME Household gross income must be less than or equal to the maximum very low income limit set by HUD as adjusted for by family size and metropolitan area.

The current income guidelines for Cook County, IL as of April 14, 2017 are:

- \$27,650 for one person household
- \$31,600 for two person household

# COST

Rent is based on the household's annual gross income. Currently a household is not required to pay more than 30% of the household's monthly income. Rent is payable monthly and a Security Deposit is required of one month's rent or a minimum of \$50.00 whichever is greater. Gross annual income may be adjusted based on medical and handicap expenses that exceed 3% of the gross annual income. Rent is re-determined annually.

Water, heat and refuse are included in the rent. Electric when paid by the household, qualifies the household for a utility allowance thus reducing the total rent the household is responsible for by that allowance amount. The utility allowance may be adjusted annually based on current utility expenses as approved by HUD.



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# **Eligibility & Cost - Continued**

- <u>CITIZENSHIP STATUS</u> Each household member must sign a declaration of citizenship or alien status.
- RESIDENCY HISTORY Households with a history of disturbing neighbors; destroying property; repeated late payment and/or non-payment of rent; permitting persons not on the lease to reside in the unit; or behavior of any household member which could adversely affect the health, safety or quiet enjoyment of others of the facility will be denied occupancy. Households who have previously resided in assisted housing and have a history of failure to cooperate with the recertification process and/or have committed fraud or misrepresentation of information required to compute that person's assistance, as well as households who have been evicted from assisted housing will be denied.
- DUPLICATION OF ASSISTANCE The unit applied for must be the applicant's sole place of residence. An applicant receiving assistance for any other unit at the time of admission will not be accepted for occupancy.
- <u>RENT PAYMENT / CREDIT HISTORY</u> Households must have a satisfactory history of meeting financial obligations including rent and utilities.
- CRIMINAL BACKGROUND Any household member with a history of criminal activity, including crimes of violence or threats of violence to another person; damage or threat to property; unlawful use of firearms; drug-related/alcoholrelated criminal activity; or sexual offender cannot be accepted.
- STUDENT STATUS There are limitations for admission of students based on legal age, familial status, veteran status and enrollment in a university or college.
- HOUSEKEEPING PRACTICES Households with histories of unsatisfactory housekeeping will not be admitted for occupancy.
- LEASE COMPLIANCE Ability to abide by the terms of the lease, to maintain both person and apartment in a manner which is not detrimental to either their safety or to the safety and well-being of other tenants.
- ABILITY TO ENTER INTO A LEGALLY BINDING CONTRACT The head of household, spouse or co-head of the applicant household must be able to enter into a legally binding contract.



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## **Homeless Preference**

The Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) has approved a homeless preference for Greencastle of Woodlawn I. Upon unit turnover, one in every five (5) vacancies will be offered to a homeless person on the existing wait list or who is referred to the Greencastle of Woodlawn I by an organization that refers people transitioning out of a shelter or temporary housing program.

To meet this homeless preference, applicants will need to meet at least one of the definitions Greencastle of Woodlawn I will be utilizing for the term "homeless", "homeless individual", and "homeless person." These definitions can be found on the "Homeless Definition Sheet" attached to the application.

## **Screening Criteria**

When determining eligibility and suitability, the following criteria will be evaluated.

- > <u>AGE</u> proof of age for each household member
- > <u>INCOME</u> verification of all income and assets of each household member
- PROOF OF SOCIAL SECURITY Each household member must be able to provide proof of social security number.
- APPLICATION AND VERIFICATION COMPLETION Each applicant household must fully cooperate with the application process including a complete application package and verification process including a complete application package and verification of household income. Failure to provide requested information or submission of fraudulent information will be grounds for denial.
- HOUSEHOLD SIZE LIMITATIONS The number of persons in the household applicant family who intends to reside in the unit must not exceed local or state occupancy standards for the type of unit.



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## **About Embrace Living Communities**

### EMBRACING

OUR VISION FOR WHAT IS POSSIBLE; OUR MISSION FOR WHAT IS NEEDED.

- Mission: We are guided by a vision of affordable, welcoming homes for all actively aging adults.
- Values: Our mission is to provide actively aging adults affordable, welcoming homes in communities that embrace living.

### **EMBRACING**

#### OUR UNWAVERING COMMITMENT.

Our brand isn't simply our name, it's our commitment. Our commitment to be a bold voice for actively aging adults and people with special housing needs who have the right to affordable housing, regardless of race, color, religion, sex, handicap, familial status or national origin.

That's why we're advocates at local, state and national levels on behalf of those that call one of our communities' home and for many other actively aging adults that we'll never meet.

### **EMBRACING** OUR PAST, AND OUR FUTURE.

Embrace Living Communities roots are deep and our passion for what we do is even deeper. In 1895, we began as the Bensenville Home Society providing people of all ages their opportunity to embrace living through a variety of programs, services and communities.

During the course of our over 120-year history, first as ministry of the German Evangelical Church, and today, as a United Church of Christ-affiliated human service organization, our values remain unchanged:

Faith-based Advocate Teamwork Compassion Respect Family Responsible



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### **Embrace Living Communities Affordable Housing Locations**

Illinois

CASL Senior Housing 2108 S. Princeton Avenue Chicago, IL 60616 Office: 312-808-8010 Fax: 312-808-8013 Email: casl@embraceliving.org

Castle Towers 325 S. York Road Bensenville, IL 60106 Office: 630-860-5515 Fax: 630-860-5623 Email: <u>castletowers@embraceliving.org</u>

Greencastle of Allerton 5921 Allerton Drive Rockford, IL 61114 Office: 815-316-0490 Fax: 815-316-0363 Email: gcallerton@embraceliving.org

Greencastle of Barrington 445 E. Main Street Barrington, IL 60010 Office: 847-382-1650 Fax: 847-382-1664 Email: gcbarrington@embraceliving.org

Greencastle of Bienterra 250 Bienterra Trail Rockford, IL 61107 Office: 815-277-1400 Fax: 815-227-1450 Email: gcbienterra@embraceliving.org

Greencastle of Elmhurst 190 Michigan Street Elmhurst, IL 60126 Office: 630-941-8894 Fax: 630-941-8909 Email: gcelmhurst@embraceliving.org Greencastle of Englewood 6344 S. Peoria Street Chicago, IL 60621 Office: 773-488-4999 Fax: 773-488-8598 Email: gcenglewood@embraceliving.org

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Greencastle of Garfield II 3833 W. Washington Blvd. Chicago, IL 60624 Office: 773-722-3001 Fax: 773-722-2064 Email: gcgarfield2@embracelivinig.org

Greencastle of Kenwood 4909 S. Cottage Grove Avenue Chicago, IL 60615 Office: 773-624-6300 Fax: 773-624-9810 Email: <u>gckenwood@embraceliving.org</u>

Greencastle of Loves Park 4260 Sunset Terrace Loves Park, IL 61111 Office: 815-637-6000 Fax: 815-637-6700 Email: gclovespark@embraceliving.org

Greencastle of Morgan Park & Beverly 10860 S. Vincennes Avenue Chicago, IL 60643 Office: 773-238-8380 Fax: 773-238-9579 Email: gcmorganpark@embraceliving.org





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Immanuel Residences 1122 Gilbert Avenue Downers Grove, IL 60515 Office: 630-852-1310 Fax: 630-852-9403 Email: immanuel@embraceliving.org

Martin Avenue Apartments 310 West Martin Avenue Naperville, IL 60540 Office: 630-357-0909 Fax: 630-357-1699 Email: <u>martinave@embraceliving.org</u>

North Orchard Place 1600 North Orchard Place Chicago, IL 60614 Office: 312-787-0303 Fax: 312-787-5686 Email: <u>northorchard@embraceliving.org</u>

Orchard Place of Englewood 6333 S. Sangamon Street Chicago, IL 60621 Office: 773-488-4999 Fax: 773-783-9910 Email: <u>openglewood@embraceliving.org</u>

Orchard Place of Morgan Park & Beverly 11230 S. Vincennes Avenue Chicago, IL 60643 Office: 773-779-6938 Fax: 773-779-8552 Email: opmorganpk@embraceliving.org Greencastle of Mulford 2750 N. Mulford Road Rockford, IL 61114 Office: 815-633-5544 Fax: 815-633-2145 Email: gcmulford@embraceliving.org

Greencastle of North Aurora 100 Mitchell Road North Aurora, IL 60542 Office: 630-966-1500 Fax: 630-966-1516 Email: gcnaurora@embraceliving.org

Greencastle of Palatine 450 E. Baldwin Road Palatine, IL 60074 Office: 847-776-9420 Fax: 847-776-9487 Email: gcpalatine@embraceliving.org

Greencastle of Sterling 15 East 23<sup>rd</sup> Street Sterling, IL 61081 Office: 815-625-1401 Fax: 815-625-7471 Email: gcsterling@embraceliving.org

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Peace Memorial Manor 3737 Highland Avenue Downers Grove, IL 60515 Office: 630-960-5770 Fax: 630-960-9774 Email: peace@embraceliving.org Prairie View Villas 3246 Vandever Avenue Pekin, IL 61554 Office: 773-238-8380 Fax: 773-238-9579

#### Florida

Apostles Village 525 E. Sadie Street Brandon, FL 33510 Office: 813-654-2690 Fax: 813-685-5618 Email: <u>apostles@embraceliving.org</u>

Beneva Oaks Apartments 650 N. Beneva Road Sarasota, FL 34232 Office: 941-365-3524 Fax: 941-955-5083 Email: <u>benevaoaks@embraceliving.org</u> Greencastle of Bayonet Point 11722 La Madera Blvd. Port Richey, FL 34668 Office: 727-869-6617 Fax: 727-869-6747 Email: gcbayonetpt@embraceliving.org

Orchard Place of Sarasota 1300 N. Lockwood Ridge Road Sarasota, FL 34237 Office: 941-952-9933 Fax: 941-952-9832 Email: opsarasota@embraceliving.org

#### Missouri

Bethel Greencastle North 4100 N. Brighton Avenue Kansas City, MO 64117 Office: 816-453-9235 Fax: 816-459-8460 Email: <u>betheln@embraceliving.org</u>

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