

HOUSING AUTHORITY OF THE CITY OF LEXINGTON



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ATTN: Mayor and City Council of Lexington, Nebraska

The following is a listing of the Payments In Lieu of Taxes (PILOT) for the Lexington Housing Authority Public Housing projects, Eastlawn Apartments and Scattered Sites.

Fiscal Year Ending 06-30-2007 - \$15,498.00
Fiscal Year Ending 06-30-2008 - \$18,137.42
Fiscal Year Ending 06-30-2009 - \$18,365.93
Fiscal Year Ending 06-30-2010 - \$18,186.13
Fiscal Year Ending 06-30-2011 - \$15,800.30

The Lexington City Council has formally waived the PILOT for the Lexington Housing Authority for several years now.

This year I am requesting that you waive my current FY ending June 30, 2012 PILOT which is estimated to be around \$19,500. I will be happy to report to you an actual June 30, 2012 Payment In Lieu Of Taxes dollar amount after the end of this current fiscal year upon your request.

As a refresher, I want to explain to you that rent is charged strictly according to tenant income and in some cases our tenant are paying the Minimum Rent which is only \$50.00 a month. The Lexington Housing Authority is not allowed to raise rents to meet expenses as private landlords can do. It is becoming increasingly more difficult to meet the everyday expenses as well as expenses such as property insurance and staff health insurance benefits while still keeping the units in good condition to pass the Uniform Physical Conditions Standards public housing is held to and providing the elderly and disabled tenant with the services we have offered in the past. By waiving the PILOT, more funds will be available for these purposes.

As in the past I have listed, for your information, a few towns in Nebraska showing how they handle their local Housing Agency PILOT:

Cozad – PILOT has been waived for many years.

Gothenburg – PILOT is being paid, the Housing Authority has never asked for it to be waived.

Broken Bow – PILOT waived since 2005, the money is deposited into an escrow account for future paving.

Minden – PILOT is waived annually upon request of the Housing Authority.

Shelton – PILOT has been waived for many years.

Kearney – PILOT is being paid.

Grand Island – PILOT is being paid.

York – PILOT has been waived for many years.

Fairmont – PILOT has been waived, the money is deposited in escrow for street paving.

I will be happy to provide other information upon your request.

Thank you for your consideration of this matter,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Diane K. Adams".

Diane K. Adams
Executive Director
Lexington Housing Authority