

HOUSING AUTHORITY OF THE CITY OF LEXINGTON



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ATTN: Mayor and City Council Members of Lexington, Nebraska
The following list shows the last few years potential Payments In Lieu of Taxes (PILOT) for the Lexington Housing Authority Public Housing projects, Eastlawn Apartments and Scattered Sites.

The Lexington City Council has formally waived the PILOT for the Lexington Housing Authority for many years including the years stated above.

This year I am requesting that you waive my current FY ending June 30, 2019 PILOT which is estimated to be around \$23,000. I will be happy to report to you an actual June 30, 2018 Payment In Lieu Of Taxes dollar amount after the end of this current fiscal year upon your request.

For your information, other larger communities that also waive PILOT include Kearney, McCook and York as well as Hall County for the Hall County Housing Authority. As a refresher, I want to explain to you that rent is charged strictly according to tenant income and in some cases our tenants are paying the Minimum Rent of \$50.00 a month with the Housing Authority paying a portion of their utilities. The Lexington Housing Authority is not allowed to raise rents to meet expenses like the private market. It has become increasingly more difficult to meet the everyday expenses as well as expenses such as property insurance, utilities and contract costs such as exterminating, 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.

I will be happy to provide other information upon your request and thank you for your consideration of this matter,

Derek Haines
Executive Director
Lexington Housing Authority