

WHP Utility Allowance

WHP Utility Allowance Requirement (ULDC Article 5.G.1.D.2.b.4)

Property Managers/Owners may choose to include one or more utilities in the rent.

Property Owners that do not include utility charges in the rent price of the WHP unit must provide a utility allowance in the form of a rent reduction based on the number of bedrooms as follows:

- \$50.00 per month rent reduction for one (1) or two (2) bedroom units
- \$75.00 per month rent reduction for three (3) or four (4) bedroom units.

If the Property Owner includes one or more utility, and the cost meets or exceeds the stated allowance amount, then no utility allowance is required. If the cost of the utilities provided is less than the prescribed utility allowance, the difference shall be credited to the WHP unit resident.

When one or more utilities are included, the Property Managers/Owners must provide, as part of the Annual Compliance Report, reasonable, reliable and verifiable documentation of the utility charge(s) included within the rent for the WHP units.

For the purposes of the WHP Utility Allowance, utilities shall include, but not be limited to, water, sewer, gas, and electric. Any additional utility fee will need approval by County staff.