



What is the Section 3 Program for Residents?

Section 3 is a federally mandated program of the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). Under Section 3 of the HUD Act of 1968, federal funding invested in housing and community development shall provide contracts, employment, training, and other economic opportunities to low- and very low-income people in the local jurisdiction.

Section 3 requires that “to the greatest extent feasible,” businesses working on projects that receive certain financial assistance from HUD should make a good faith effort to train and hire low- and very low-income individuals, especially those who receive government assistance for housing, and contract with businesses that do so.



Construction work on affordable housing

Employment opportunities covered by Section 3 may include professional, technical, construction, and administrative.

Who are Section 3 Eligible Residents?

- Residents of public housing that reside in the County of San Diego.
- SDHC Housing Choice Voucher (Section 8) participants
- Individuals living in the County of San Diego who are low- or very low-income residents, based on family size and income level, as shown in the chart below:

FY 2015 Family Income Limits								
Family Size:	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Maximum Gross Annual Family Income:	\$ 45,400	\$ 51,850	\$ 58,350	\$ 64,800	\$ 70,000	\$ 75,200	\$ 80,400	\$ 85,550

How can I become a Certified Section 3 Resident?

1. Contact the SDHC Section 3 Unit to request the Section 3 Resident Certification Form
2. Self-certify as a Section 3 Resident by completing and submitting the form
3. Certification is valid for 2 years

What are the benefits of certification?

- Notification of employment opportunities with SDHC
- Placement on a Section 3 Resident registry, which is promoted to and utilized by SDHC’s development partners, contractors and/or subcontractors who have employment opportunities on Section 3 covered contracts/projects
- Referrals to public agencies that have Section 3 employment opportunities
- Notification of occupational training opportunities

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