

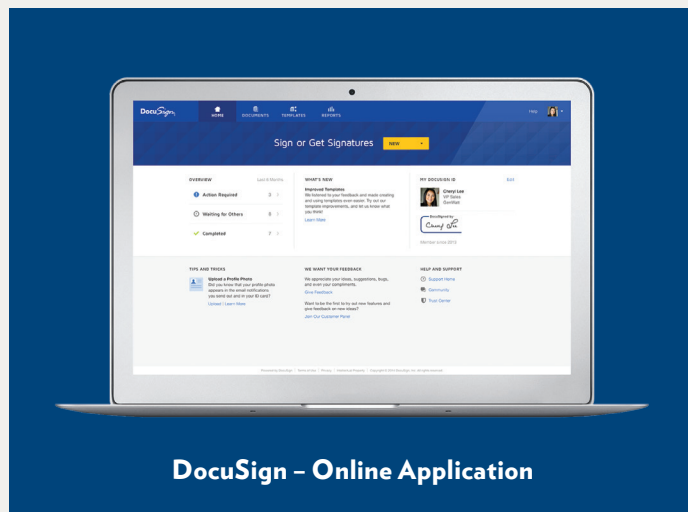
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The San Diego Housing Commission (SDHC) is now using DocuSign, an online application that allows landlords and rental assistance participants to securely sign, approve, and send documents to SDHC electronically.

DocuSign saves time, reduces paper, completes transactions faster, and provides confirmation of signed documents.

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Carbon Monoxide Detector Requirements Take Effect January 1

A rental unit will fail its Housing Quality Standards (HQS) inspection if a carbon monoxide detector is missing or is not working as it should during inspections performed by SDHC after January 1, 2018.

SDHC conducts these HQS inspections on rental housing units in which the tenants receive Housing Choice Voucher rental assistance from SDHC.

Carbon monoxide detectors must be approved by the Office of the State Fire Marshal (OSFM) and installed in a manner that is consistent with the manufacturer's instructions or with 2016 California Residential Code, Part 2.5, Chapter 3, Section R315:

1. In the immediate vicinity outside of each separate dwelling unit sleeping area; and
2. At every level of a dwelling unit, including basements.

SDHC will note a missing or non-functioning carbon monoxide detector as a failed inspection item and an "emergency repair" that must be corrected and re-inspected within 24 hours. Tenants are responsible for letting their landlords know if the carbon monoxide detector in their unit does not function properly.

For more information, email ownerinfo@sdhc.org





Help for Tenants: Griselda – ‘I’m Excited to Go to Work’

Overcoming a three-year struggle to find work – with help from the SDHC Achievement Academy – provided Griselda with renewed confidence and hope for the future.

“I’m excited to go to work and do the job that I do,” said Griselda, who was hired in October 2016 as a part-time office clerk for a local nonprofit organization. “I want to do accounting, so I’m looking forward to getting into an accounting department within the company.”

A single mother with two teenage sons, Griselda has received Federal rental assistance from SDHC since 2008. She earned an associate’s degree in accounting two years ago, but could not find work until she started attending SDHC Achievement Academy workshops in April 2016.

She received help with her résumé, job interview skills, and customer service training.

“I started getting interviews as soon as I started coming to the Achievement Academy,” Griselda said.

She continues to work toward financial self-reliance, participating in SDHC Achievement Academy programs, such as Family Self-Sufficiency and Power of One, a program for single parents that includes a match savings program.

Griselda was one of the first graduates of Power of One.



Power of One Graduation Ceremony 7.14.17

“I hear other people and see their struggles and seeing how far they’ve come, and it just gives me hope that I’ve also been able to accomplish a lot of stuff myself. I can get to where I set my mind to. My goals – I can make those reality,” she said.

Griselda continues to attend training sessions at the SDHC Achievement Academy to help her with her next steps.

She wants to work full time in accounting, hopefully with her current employer — or get a second part-time job in accounting — and go back to school to earn a bachelor’s degree.

“I can’t thank the Achievement Academy enough. I didn’t get this kind of help anywhere else,” Griselda said.

