



APPLICATION GUIDE FOR THE COLLECTIVE 2024-2025

NLIHC is accepting applications for the 2024-2025 Collective cohort.

The Collective is a group of tenant advocates and community leaders with lived experience of housing insecurity who work towards housing justice and racial equity in their neighborhoods and greater communities. The group convenes regularly to discuss shared concerns, chart an advocacy path, and ensure that NLIHC addresses the needs of low-income people and families throughout the country.

Application period: May 3rd, 2024 to May 31st, 2024

This document is NOT the application. The application must be completed [online](#). This document instead provides an overview of the questions included in the application. Please feel free to use the document to help prepare your answers for the [online application](#). If you have any questions, please contact Sid Betancourt. sbetancourt@nlihc.org.

Questions Included in the Application:

1. Name:
2. E-mail Address:
3. Mailing Address:
4. Phone Number:
5. Preferred method of communication and best time to contact:

NLIHC wants to build an equitable environment that is inclusive of diverse identities and beliefs. By completing the information in questions #6-10, you will help ensure the Collective remains an inclusive group.

6. Which best describes your race/ethnicity? (Select all that apply)

- a. American Indian or Alaska Native
- b. Asian
- c. Black or African-American
- d. Hispanic or Latino/a
- e. Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander
- f. Middle Eastern or North African
- g. White
- h. Prefer not to say
- i. Other (please describe): _____

7. Do you identify as a person with a disability or other chronic condition?

- a. Yes
- b. No
- c. Prefer not to answer

8. What is your gender identity? (short answer)

9. Which of the following best describes you?

- a. Heterosexual or straight
- b. Gay or Lesbian
- c. Bisexual or pansexual
- d. Asexual
- e. Queer
- f. Other (please describe): _____
- g. Prefer not to share

10. What age range do you fall within?

- a. 18-30 years
- b. 31-40 years
- c. 41-50 years
- d. 51-61 years
- e. 62 years and over

11. If you're comfortable sharing, are you a person with lived experience of homelessness or housing instability?

- a. Yes
- b. No
- c. Prefer not to say

12. Which best describes the housing type you have been impacted by?

- a. Public Housing
- b. Housing Choice Voucher/Section 8
- c. Project Based Rental Assistance
- d. Tribal Housing Programs
- e. Non-subsidized
- f. Other (please describe): _____

13. Are you currently or have worked with a housing/tenant advocacy group? If so, please highlight some of the work you have done. Please be as specific as possible.

14. Have you done work with NLIHC before? If so, please explain and be as specific as possible. While it is not a requirement, we are prioritizing NLIHC members or others who have been previously involved in our work.

15. Do you have any media or published work you would like to share with us (e.g., articles, op-eds, speaking events)? If so, please provide the links here or upload the files below.

16. NLIHC's Collective will kick off with a weekend retreat in Albany, GA, from October 10 to 14. NLIHC covers travel costs and other expenses in Albany. Would you be willing and able to attend in person?

