



Canvassing Policy

Canvassing is defined as the initiation of direct contact with individuals to solicit orders or political support, or to determine opinions or sentiments, usually door-to-door. The Lorain Metropolitan Housing Authority does not endorse or promote any political advocacy on LMHA property. LMHA employees, commissioners, and related officials are subject to the Hatch Act and the Little Hatch Act, all of which prohibit certain political advocacy.

Door-to-door political canvassing in and around LMHA-owned housing is limited to the purposes of conducting voter registration or to campaign for a political candidate or issue contested by vote. This includes local, state, and national elections. Other forms of canvassing may include efforts to solicit charitable donations or engaging in non-profit fundraising activities. Regardless of the purposes, all canvassers are required to comply with local regulations regarding such activities.

All canvassers must register at the Property Management office where they plan to canvas at least two (2) business days prior to the desired canvassing date. While evaluating a request to canvas, LMHA will not consider the applicant's age, color, disability, gender identity or expression, genetic information, military status, national origin, pregnancy, race, religion, sex, sexual orientation, protected veteran status or political affiliation.

Upon completing an application to canvas and acknowledging the applicability of this policy, a canvasser will be issued a badge that must be prominently displayed on the person at all times while canvassing.

Canvassing is permitted Sunday through Saturday during the hours of **12:00 p.m. and 6:00 p.m.** Canvassers may not attempt to contact any LMHA resident who has posted a "NO SOLICITATION" or similar sign on their residence. If no such sign is visible, canvassers must knock on the resident's door, immediately identify themselves and purpose. Canvassers must immediately honor a resident's request to leave the resident's doorway.

Any canvasser violating these provisions may be subject to prohibition from canvassing on LMHA property. Canvassers must be aware that to intimidate, abuse, or threaten another by means of or threatened use of physical or nonphysical force is grounds for immediate removal from LMHA property and possible criminal or civil prosecution.

Property Management Offices

Leavitt Homes	2153 Lorain Drive, Lorain, Ohio 44052	440.288.7401
Westview Terrace	2153 Lorain Drive, Lorain, Ohio 44052	440.288.7401
Kennedy Plaza	1730 Broadway Avenue, Lorain, Ohio 44052	440.288.7405
Lakeview Plaza	310 West 7th Street, Lorain, Ohio 44052	440.288.7410
Southside Gardens	3010 Vine Avenue, Lorain, Ohio 44055	440.288.7413
Westgate Apartments	2153 Lorain Drive, Lorain, Ohio 44052	440.288.7401
Wilkes Villa	104 Loudon Court, Elyria, Ohio 44035	440.288.7403
Riverview Plaza	310 East Avenue, Elyria, Ohio 44035	440.288.7406
Albright Terrace	129 Milan Avenue, Amherst, Ohio 44001	440.988.5320
J.F. Oberlin Homes	138 South Main Street, Oberlin, Ohio 44074	440.288.7404
Harr Plaza	15 Chestnut Street, Elyria, Ohio 44035	440.288.7424
International Plaza	1825 Homewood Drive, Lorain, Ohio 44055	440.288.7423