



ABOUT

# Move to PROSPER

Move to PROSPER is a new program that makes affordable rental housing available in neighborhoods that offer access to opportunities such as higher resourced schools, safer neighborhoods, employment, and other indicators of success so that all families at all income levels in Central Ohio have a true choice to live in a community of opportunity.



## What does Move to PROSPER offer?

- 3 years of rental support
- Access to safe, quality, and healthy housing in an apartment in a higher resourced community
- The assistance of a life coach to support you on reaching your financial, career, educational, and wellness goals for you and your family
- Assistance integrating your children into a new school and your family into a new neighborhood
- Workshops and programs for you and your family

## Why should you enroll in our program?

- Healthy housing in a safe neighborhood helps decrease stress for both you and your children
- Higher resourced schools allow your children to create a foundation for future success
- Monthly coaching and workshops will give you the tools to continue to create opportunities for you and your family for years to come
- Quality housing can decrease health issues such as asthma and the risk of lead poisoning
- Safer neighborhoods allow you and your children to play outside and go for walks, which can reduce high blood pressure, diabetes, and obesity
- A new community may create new employment opportunities that decrease your daily commute and/or increase your income

## Qualification Criteria

- Are a parent or household, with all parents at least 18 years old and jointly raising the children
- Have 1-3 children, ages 13 and under (with a household size of up to 4 people)
- Have children who are eligible for Medicaid
- Are currently experiencing housing insecurity in a lower opportunity area in central Ohio
- Not a participant in the Housing Choice Voucher program, formerly Section 8
- Household income less than 55% AMI, which is between:  
\$25,000 - \$41,250 for a family of 2,  
\$25,000 - \$46,420 for a family of 3, or  
\$26,500 - \$51,535 for a family of 4
- Have personal transportation or can demonstrate ability to access a job, etc. without a car
- Willing to meet monthly with a life coach for 3 years for all adults in the household
- Willing to attend monthly evening programs, primarily virtually, on Tuesday evenings for 3 years for all adults in the household
- Willing to move to a higher resourced community

To apply, visit [www.movetoprosper.org/apply-here](http://www.movetoprosper.org/apply-here)



## WE PROVIDE

## YOU PROVIDE

### Housing

Move to PROSPER has relationships with participating landlords who own 2-bedroom apartments in higher resourced communities in Central Ohio. Our program includes a private rental support fund. This private rental support only applies to the apartments from participating landlords and will only be provided as long as you and your children reside in the apartment and are participating in the Move to PROSPER program.

You will receive a reduction on your rent for up to three years in the amount of \$400-\$600 depending on which apartment community you live in.

You are responsible for your moving costs, security deposits and utility hook-ups.

You will be responsible for timely payment of your portion of the rent, any other charges by the participating landlord, and all utilities for the unit not otherwise included in your rent. Upon completion of the three-year Move to PROSPER program, participants can continue to live in their apartment if they can afford the market rate rent without the rental support provided by the program and sign a new lease.

Otherwise, participants will be required to relocate and Move to PROSPER coaches will assist, if necessary, in your relocation.

### Coaching

Program coaches will assist participants in meeting their personal, educational, health, and employment goals and the social services manager will connect participants with community resources. Each participant will be assigned a life coach.

Each participant will be required to have Personal Goals Statements and will meet with their assigned life coach monthly to review goal attainment and progress toward meeting program objectives.

### Workshops

Workshops or programs will be led by experts on topics such as finances, parenting challenges, problem solving, building self-esteem, education and career planning, legal issues, healthy living, etc.

Each participant will be required to attend monthly virtual programs on Tuesday evenings during the 3 year program. Periodically, there will be required in person meetings for the participants and their children.

### Evaluation

We gather information so we can demonstrate to the community the benefits of continuing this program in years to come. Your participation in the evaluation enables us to create opportunities for more families just like yours in the future. All of your private information will be kept confidential.

You will be asked to participate in interviews and complete surveys about your participation in the program; share information about your and your child's health; share your child/children/s school(s) academic and attendance record; and share information about your employment, credit score, and income.



## Apartment Locations

Two-bedroom apartments are located in the following communities and schools:

- Bexley
- Big Walnut
- Blacklick
- Columbus
- Dublin
- Gahanna
- Grandview
- Hilliard
- Licking Heights
- Lewis Center
- New Albany
- Olentangy Local
- Reynoldsburg
- Sunbury
- Upper Arlington
- Westerville
- Worthington

All schools in the areas with participating landlords are higher resourced.

## Application Process: A Step-By-Step Guide

1. Apply online at;  
[www.movetoprosper.org/apply-here](http://www.movetoprosper.org/apply-here)
2. Come prepared with information regarding your current and previous address, current and past employment, and your annual income amount.
3. After applying, send in proof of all income to;  
[coach@MovetoPROSPER.org](mailto:coach@MovetoPROSPER.org)
4. If you meet initial program requirements, Move to PROSPER will contact you to schedule an interview.
5. Upon completion of a successful interview, you will receive a link to complete and submit a background check disclosure and authorization form.
6. If you meet program and other screening requirements you'll participate in 2 required workshops and complete a survey.
7. Next, you will receive a participation agreement to sign and pay a \$25 application fee.
8. After signing, you'll meet with a member of the coaching team to begin the process of identifying an apartment.

NOTE: Move to PROSPER will review all application material in the order received.

Questions? Email [coach@movetoprosper.org](mailto:coach@movetoprosper.org) or visit [www.movetoprosper.org](http://www.movetoprosper.org)