



Do you need a move across London? London Moves may be able to help.

Try London Moves

The new g15 London Moves pilot project is helping London housing association tenants to move.

This could be the scheme for you if:

- you are willing to downsize by at least one bedroom
- the distance from your home to work is making it hard for you to keep your job and you have been working there for at least 13 weeks. Or you are in full-time education with a firm offer of a job, but you think the distance from your home to work will cause you a similar problem
- you need to move to care for a close member of your family, or someone close to a member of your household – you will need to show that you are receiving Carers' Allowance or have a letter or care plan from the person's local authority
- you need to move to another area for another reason.

Am I eligible?

To register for this scheme you need:

- to be one of our secure or assured tenants, and
- to have been our tenant for at least a year.

(If you're not sure what kind of tenancy you have, check your tenancy agreement or contact the Service Centre.)

In addition:

- you need a good rent payment record
- there must have been no anti-social behaviour complaints against your household in the past 12 months
- you must have kept your home in good condition.

How to make a London Move

To take part in the scheme, you need to take the following three steps.

Step one:

The first step is to register on the website at www.g15londonmoves.org.uk (there is also a link on our website). You'll be asked to provide information to prove that you are eligible for this scheme.

Step two:

Once you've registered, you'll be able to search for homes online and bid for a suitable home.

Step three:

If you're eligible and find yourself at the top of a short list of bidders for the home you want, you'll have a chance to view and move to your new home, subject to the usual checks of your details. You may have a new landlord, but your tenancy terms and conditions will be similar.

moving options

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residents'
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We're working to make sure as many residents as possible are living in the right-sized home.



If your family has outgrown your home, we might be able to offer a move to an adult son or daughter.

Housing the next generation

Our 'next generation' scheme is offering a new alternative to some of our most overcrowded households.

In some areas, if you are very over-crowded, but have an adult son or daughter who is ready to move, we may be able to offer them a tenancy of their own, in a studio or one-bedroom flat.

To apply for the scheme, your son or daughter must be over 18 and have lived with you continuously for at least the past five years. They must have the right to remain in the country and be eligible for social housing. We also check they would be able to manage their own tenancy and pay their own rent.

We cannot offer a joint tenancy to brothers and sisters under this scheme.

To apply for the scheme, call the Service Centre. They will arrange for your resident services manager to visit you to talk you through all your family's options.

Your family will be 'banded', so that we can prioritise moving sons and daughters from the most overcrowded homes. When your son or daughter gets to the top of the list, we will give them the chance to view some properties and make an offer on up to two of them.

Our scheme has already seen adult children make successful moves. In one case, the daughter of a family with four children living in a small three-bedroom house has been able to move across east London. She is very happy in her new home and her family is delighted that they now have more space.

Rented homes

A change of scene to Stamford Hill Estate

If you are on our transfer waiting list, you could improve your chances of moving by considering a one or two bedroom property on our Stamford Hill Estate in Hackney.

The estate is within walking distance of Stoke Newington, Stamford Hill and South Tottenham overground stations, as well as two tube stations and numerous bus routes.

There are three supermarkets within walking distance and the vibrant Ridley Market is a just short bus ride away. The area also benefits from local bars and restaurants, many of them family friendly, and a local cinema. Clissold Park and Springfield Park, alongside the river, are nearby.

The estate has caretaking, cleaning and communal garden services, a small play area for young children

and a ball court. Our Social and Economic Regeneration Department provides support and advice on employment and training, volunteering opportunities and support for young people.

The estate has a community centre and the Resident Services Team runs a surgery for residents every Friday.

To find out more, call the Service Centre on 0300 303 1061.

Who got a transfer

We report on the residents who got a move via our transfer lists between April and September 2011.

The tables show that your chances of getting a move depend on your priority level and where you want to move to.

We won't normally consider you for a transfer while you owe us rent. Also, if you behave in an anti-social way, we will not offer a transfer for two years.

Key

- a Overcrowded
- b Medical needs/disability
- c Move to sheltered scheme
- d Urgent need to change address
- e Move to give/get family support
- f Home being demolished/improved
- g Under-occupying
- h Moving from hostel
- i Anti-social behaviour
- j Home in poor condition
- x Other

Thames Gateway region

10 residents got a transfer

Band	Moved to		Move reason
	Beds	Area	
AA	2	Waltham For.	d
AA	3	Thurrock	d
AA	4	Newham	d
A	3	Thurrock	a
B	1	Dagenham	b
B	1	Waltham F.	bg
B	2	Medway	a
B	2	Medway	b
C	1	Dagenham	b
C	1	Newham	b

Choice-based lettings note: These figures don't show transfers made via a choice-based lettings scheme (which includes all Isle of Wight transfers). If you are applying for a move in an area with one of these schemes, look for details on their own websites.

West region

24 residents got a transfer

Band	Moved to		Move reason
	Beds	Area	
B	1	Reading	a
B	2	Theale	a
B	2	Portsmouth	a
C	1	Bracknell	e
C	1	Englefield G.	b
C	1	Goring-on-T	b
C	1	Swindon	b
C	2	Woodley	b
D	bedsit	Earley	b
D	bedsit	Hayling Island	x
D	bedsit	Portsmouth	b
D	bedsit	Portsmouth	x
D	bedsit	Portsmouth	x
D	bedsit	Portsmouth	x
D	1	Cheltenham	x
D	1	Aldermaston	b
D	1	Gosport	b
D	1	Reading	b
D	1	Swindon	b
D	2	Bracknell	b
D	2	Gosport	b
D	2	Gosport	e
D	2	Reading	b
D	2	Tilehurst	x

London region

27 residents got a transfer

Band	Moved to		Move reason
	Beds	Area	
AA	1	Ham. & Ful'm	f
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AA	1	Hackney	f
AA	2	Islington	f
AA	3	Kens. & Chel.	x
A	2	Ham. & Ful'm	x
A	2	Hackney	a
A	2	Hackney	f
A	2	Hackney	x
A	3	Hackney	b
A	2	Islington	d
A	2	Islington	d
A	2	Islington	x
A	3	Kens. & Chel.	f
A	1	Southwark	f
A	2	Southwark	a
B	2	Ham. & Ful'm	b
B	3	Hackney	a
B	3	Islington	a
B	1	Southwark	b
B	3	Southwark	a
C	1	Hackney	c
C	1	Islington	b
C	1	Kens. & Chel.	x
C	1	Southwark	c

South region

One resident got a transfer

Band	Moved to		Move reason
	Beds	Area	
B	3	Worthing	a

Independent living for the over-60s

Our schemes for retired people provide independent living for those over 60 who want a safe, secure environment.

We currently have open waiting lists for several of our London schemes:

- Hogarth Court in Whitechapel
- Janson Road and Lea Bon Court in Stratford

- Lewis House and Peach Court in Chingford
- Jubilee Crescent on the Isle of Dogs.

All our schemes are maintained to a high standard and provide a 24-hour careline for emergencies. Facilities can include laundry rooms, communal areas and gardens. They are all well located and close to local amenities.

For more details call the Service Centre (select Option 3) on 0300 303 1771, or check out 'Looking for a home' on our website at www.shgroup.org.uk



Janson Road



Hogarth Court



Jubilee Crescent

Shared ownership

Low-cost home ownership

Southern Housing Group develops homes for low-cost home ownership.

The schemes listed are New Build HomeBuy schemes for shared ownership. Most schemes prioritise people who live or work in the local area.

Bognor Regis Bersted Park: 1 bed flats and 2 bed houses, 40% share from £54,780 (1 bed flat).

Greenwich Kidbrooke, SE3: Selection of homes from spring 2012. Prices to be confirmed.

Intermediate market rent

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Southern Housing Group also develops homes for intermediate market rent.

The schemes listed are available to key workers and non-key workers. Priority is given to people with a local connection.

Newly built

Greenwich Kidbrooke, SE3: 2 bed flats from £901 pcm.

Relets

Barking & Dagenham Church Elm Court, Dagenham Heathway RM10: 1 & 2 bed flats from £508 pcm.

Woolwich The Armouries, SE18: 1 & 2 bed flats from £665 pcm. **Mast Quay:** 2 bed flats from £877 pcm. **Cagodan Road:** 1 & 2 bed flats from £520 pcm (key workers only).

Homes in the first phase of the Kidbrooke development.



Houses at Bersted Park, Bognor Regis.

What we mean by:

New Build HomeBuy (shared ownership) allows you to part-buy, part-rent a brand-new home. You need a mortgage to buy your share and you pay a subsidised rent on the rest, as well as service charges.

Intermediate market rent allows you to rent a home developed by a housing association, paying a rent that is typically 20% lower than for similar homes for private rent in the area. To apply, you must be working full time, but have a joint income of less than £60,000. Some people use the scheme to help them save towards buying a shared ownership home.

Key workers are public workers such as nurses, teachers, police and prison officers. Some schemes (though fewer than in the past) are aimed at these people.

You can find out about other schemes available for low-cost home ownership or rent by logging on to www.homebuy.co.uk



More information

For details about your options or our schemes email sales@shgroup.org.uk, phone 08456 12 12 71 or log on to www.shgroup.org.uk