

ELIGIBILITY AND ADMISSION CRITERIA

1. MVGH is an active, senior community. The Independent Living is primarily for the benefit of Teaching Elders (Ministers), Missionaries, Certified Christian Educators, Certified Musician Associates, and Commissioned Ruling Elders, who have served the PC(USA) as outlined in the MVGH Resident Relations Policies and Procedures Manual *“Eligibility and Admission Criteria,”* and their spouses* or partners.
2. An eligible applicant for the Primary Waiting List is one who has been employed at least fifteen (15) years with the PC(USA), in a position validated by a higher governing body of the PC(USA) or its predecessor churches and is a current member of the PC(USA).
3. A Secondary Waiting List exists in the event that a unit remains unoccupied after being offered to the Primary Waiting List. See “Application for Residency Information” for details on qualifying for the Secondary Waiting List.
4. All Applicants must either be a member of the Benefit Plan of the PC(USA) Board of Pensions for 20 years or more as confirmed by the Board of Pensions OR an alternate retirement plan(s) associated with the validated ministry, for a total of 20 years or more.
5. An interested individual may submit her/his application for review after reaching the age of 62. Qualified applicants are eligible to move on campus beginning at the age of 65. Exceptions may be made based upon the waiting list and the availability of apartments.
6. We have a process in place for those on the waiting list. Please contact our office for more information.
7. Applicants must complete a Financial Disclosure Form before accepting an apartment.
8. Applicants must complete a medical evaluation before moving onto the campus.
9. Only one approved residency (applicant or surviving spouse/partner or ex-spouse/partner) shall be available for the qualifying period of service (see MVGH Resident Relations Policies and Procedures *“Residence Availability Standard”*).
10. A surviving spouse or registered domestic partner of a qualified individual may apply for residency at MVGH based on the service record of her/his deceased spouse or partner. An ex-spouse or ex-partner of a qualified individual may apply for residency at MVGH if the qualified individual relinquishes his/her residency rights and the ex-spouse or ex-partner was married or legally registered to the qualified individual during the majority of the qualifying years of service.
11. Exceptions may be made based upon the waiting list and availability of apartments. Any request for admission to MVGH by exception to any standing policy must be recommended by the Resident Relations Committee, and be approved by a three-fourths (3/4) vote of the Board of Trustees.

*“Spouse” is defined as the person to whom a qualifying individual is legally married or is registered as a State of California Registered Domestic Partner (DP) at the time of admission to MVGH.