

Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services – Housing Services

Description:

Supportive Housing Program

The Supportive Housing Program is a HUD-funded program, which provides for transitional housing, employment and vocational rehabilitation and clinical services to persons who are homeless and have a psychiatric disability in the New Haven area.

Housing Assistance Fund/Security Deposit Program.

The Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services (DMHAS) administers the Housing Assistance Fund which provides a temporary monthly housing subsidy payment to persons with a psychiatric disorder. These individuals must be at risk of being hospitalized in a DMHAS hospital or being discharged from a DMHAS hospital while they or their families are on a waiting list for a permanent state or federal housing subsidy. The Security Deposit Program provides security deposit funds to individuals with a psychiatric disorder who are in search of permanent housing.

Shelter Plus Care

The Department of Housing and Urban Development funds the Shelter Plus Care program, which provides rental assistance and supportive services to persons who are homeless and have disabilities. The Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services' (DMHAS) Homeless Outreach Teams help eligible persons apply for the program. Eligible persons must be homeless, as defined by HUD, and have one or more of the following disabilities: a serious mental illness, a chronic substance abuse problem or AIDS or a related disease, which substantially impedes individuals' abilities to live independently. There are different types of rental assistance under this program. They are: Tenant-Based Rental Assistance where participants can choose their own housing and retain the rental assistance if they move; Sponsor-Based Rental Assistance, where participants live in housing owned or leased by a sponsor, such as a private, non-profit organization or a community mental health agency; and, Project – Based Rental Assistance, where participants rent subsidized units from owners who agree to rent under the program.

Eligibility Requirements, Service Areas and Program Year:

Eligibility Requirements:

For the Supportive Housing Program:

- Must be homeless and have a psychiatric disorder.

For the Housing Assistance Fund/Security Deposit Program:

- Must have a psychiatric disorder and be in search of permanent housing.
- Must be referred to the program by a mental health clinician.

For the Shelter Plus Care Program:

- Must be homeless, as defined by HUD, and have one or a combination of qualifying disabilities.

Service Areas:

Region 1:

Bridgeport
Darien
Greenwich
Monroe
Norwalk

New Canaan
Stamford
Stratford
Trumbull
Weston

Westport
Wilton

Region 2:

Ansonia
Bethany
Branford
Chester
Clinton
Cromwell
Deep River
Derby
Durham
East Haddam
East Hampton
East Haven
Essex

Guilford
Haddam
Hamden
Killingworth
Lyme
Madison
Meriden
Middlefield
Middletown
Milford
New Haven
North Branford
North Haven

Old Lyme
Old Saybrook
Orange
Oxford
Portland
Seymour
Shelton
Wallingford
Westbrook
West Haven
Woodbridge

Region 3:

Ashford
Bozrah
Brooklyn
Canterbury
Chaplin
Colchester
Columbia
Coventry
Eastford

East Lyme
Groton
Hampton
Killingly
Lebanon
Ledyard
Lisbon
Mansfield
Montville

New London
North Stonington
Norwich
Plainfield
Pomfret
Preston
Putnam
Salem
Scotland

Sprague
Stonington
Union

Voluntown
Waterford
Willimantic

Windham
Woodstock

Region 4:

Andover
Avon
Berlin
Bloomfield
Bolton
Bristol
Burlington
Canton
East Granby
East Hartford
East Windsor
Ellington
Enfield

Farmington
Glastonbury
Granby
Hartford
Hebron
Manchester
Marlborough
New Britain
Newington
Plainville
Rockville
Rocky Hill
Simsbury

Somers
South Windsor
Southington
Stafford
Suffield
Tolland
Vernon
West Hartford
Wethersfield
Windsor
Windsor Locks

Region 5:

Barkhamsted
Beacon Falls
Bethel
Bethlehem
Bridgewater
Brookfield
Canaan
Cheshire
Colebrook
Cornwall
Danbury
Goshen
Hartland
Harwinton
Kent

Litchfield
Middlebury
Morris
Naugatuck
New Fairfield
New Hartford
New Milford
Newtown
Norfolk
North Canaan
Prospect
Redding
Ridgefield
Roxbury
Salisbury

Sharon
Sherman
Southbury
Thomaston
Torrington
Warren
Washington
Waterbury
Watertown
Winchester
Winsted
Wolcott
Woodbury

Program Year:
July 1 – June 30

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Related Information:

[*Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services \(DMHAS\), refer to page XV – 23.*](#)