

## Permanent Housing Interventions for Homeless Services

Following are descriptions of two of the primary permanent housing interventions in the homeless services system. When households are prioritized through Coordinated Entry, they are awaiting a vacancy for one of these types of permanent housing.

### Rapid Re-Housing<sup>1</sup>

Rapid Re-Housing (RRH) is an intervention designed to help individuals and families to quickly exit homelessness, return to housing in the community, and not become homeless again in the near term. RRH is for households who have moderate barriers to housing, such as multiple evictions, criminal backgrounds, credit history, that would prevent them from being able to obtain housing on their own. The core components of a RRH program are:

- Housing identification,
- Move-in and rent assistance, and
- Housing stability case management and services.

The primary goals of RRH are:

- Reduce the length of time program participants spend homeless
- Exit households to permanent housing
- Limit returns to homelessness within a year of program exit

### Permanent Supportive Housing<sup>2</sup>

Permanent Supportive Housing (PSH) is permanent housing:

- with indefinite leasing or rental assistance
- paired with supportive services
- to assist homeless persons with a disability or families with an adult or child member with a disability achieve housing stability.

PSH is an intervention for households who are literally homeless and is the recommended intervention for persons who are considered chronically homeless. Based on the more intensive level of support offered to program participants, this intervention needs to be focused on those who have the longest histories of homelessness and the greatest service needs. It should also be reserved for those who would otherwise be unable to maintain permanent housing on their own.

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<sup>1</sup> <https://endhomelessness.org/resource/rapid-re-housing-performance-benchmarks-and-program-standards/>

<sup>2</sup> <https://www.hudexchange.info/programs/coc/coc-program-eligibility-requirements/>