

# Transitional Housing (TH) Written Standards

## **Definition: Transitional Housing (TH) – 24 CFR Part 578.37**

Transitional housing facilitates the movement of homeless individuals and families to permanent housing within 24 months of entering a TH program.

TH should be utilized for families and individuals that need more assistance than Rapid ReHousing (RRH) offers but who do not qualify for Permanent Supportive Housing (PSH). Sub-populations that are likely to benefit the most from TH are youth, survivors of Domestic Violence (DV), persons with histories of substance abuse and/or persons who have recently exited criminal justice system.

## **Primary Access for Sub-Populations:**

- Unaccompanied Youth and Young Adults (18-24) coming through Prioritization List will be referred to Center for Youth
- Re-Entry Population coming through Prioritization List will be referred to Spiritus Christi Prison Outreach
- Chronically Homeless Men will be referred to Safe Haven

## **Eligibility Criteria**

- Must meet HUD Definition of Homeless – Categories 1, 2 and 4 (those entering TH under category 2 will not be qualified for RRH or PSH funded by HUD, except DV)

**Operational Standards** - Standards represent minimum local standards for all TH programs. TH providers may have funders who have additional requirements and/or may need to meet standards of the state or local government. In those cases, the more stringent standard applies.

- Services and programming create a pathway to permanent housing
- Maximum length of stay is 24 months
- Participant's rent cannot exceed 30% of household income
- Participants must have a lease or occupancy agreement

## **Standard Outcomes/Performance Measures**

- 93% or more of participants will exit to permanent housing destinations
- 85% or more of adult participants will have non-cash benefits
- 40% or more of adult participants will have income from sources other than employment
- 45% or more of adult participants increase income from sources other than employment
- 20% or more of adult participants will have income, including part time
- 20% or more of adult participants will increase income from employment
- 80% of participants do not return to homelessness within a two-year period after exit from TH
- Minimum 90% average occupancy rate will be maintained

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