

Types of Housing Models and Programs

CoC Program Types

Permanent Supportive Housing (PSH) – Permanent Supportive Housing (PSH) combines affordable housing assistance with voluntary support services to address the needs of people experiencing chronic homelessness. Eligible individuals and families are defined as:

Homeless under the following categories:

- **Category 1:** Literally homeless, the head of household is residing on the streets, in a shelter, or in a place not meant for human habitation.
- **Category 4:** Fleeing/Attempting to Flee DV.

Rapid Rehousing (RRH) – Rapid Re-housing provides short term rental assistance and services resources with the goal of quickly exiting homelessness, increasing self- sufficiency, and staying housed. It is offered without preconditions (such as employment, income, absence of criminal record, or sobriety) and the resources and services provided are typically tailored to the needs of the person. Eligible individuals and families are defined as:

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Supportive Housing (SH) – Supportive housing is decent, safe, affordable, community-based housing that provides tenants with the rights of tenancy and links to voluntary and flexible supports and services. **There are three main types of supportive housing models:**

- **Single-site:** Apartment buildings exclusively or primarily housing individuals and/or families who need supportive housing.
- **Scattered-site:** Rent subsidized apartments leased in the open market.
- **Integrated/Clustered:** Apartment buildings with units set aside for people who need supportive housing.

Transitional Housing (TH) – Transitional Housing (TH) provides temporary housing with supportive services to individuals and families experiencing homelessness with the goal of interim stability and support to successfully move to and maintain permanent housing. TH projects can cover housing costs and accompanying supportive services for program participants for up to 24 months. **Participants in a TH project must have a signed lease, sublease, or occupancy agreement with the following requirements:**

- An initial term of at least one month
- Automatically renewable upon expiration, except by prior notice by either party
- A maximum term of 24 months

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Public Housing Agency (PHA) – Any state, county, municipality, or other governmental entity or public body, or agency or instrumentality of these entities that is authorized to engage or assist in the development or operation of low-income housing under the U.S. Housing Act of 1937. **Housing Authority Models:**

- **Project-Based** – Housing assistance is attached to specific housing units
- **Sponsor-Based** – Program participants reside in housing owned or leased by a sponsor organization.
- **Tenant-Based** – Participants can choose and lease safe, decent, and affordable privately-owned rental housing.

Housing Choice Voucher Program – This program is the federal government's major program for assisting very low-income families, the elderly, and people with disabilities to afford decent, safe, and quality housing in the private market. It was previously known as “Section 8.”