

# Rapid Rehousing Programs in the District of Columbia CoC



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# Rapid Rehousing Program Focus and Intent

## Focus is stabilization:

- Temporary financial assistance and/or supportive services; and
- Bridge to long-term stability.

## Intent is to serve households who:

- Are homeless or would be homeless **but for** this assistance; and
- Can remain stably housed after temporary assistance ends.



# Rapid Rehousing Assistance Types

## **Homelessness Prevention**

Prevent households at risk of homelessness from becoming homeless.

## **Homeless Assistance**

Assist households experiencing homelessness to be quickly rehoused and stabilized.

# Why Rapid Rehousing?

- When homelessness cannot be prevented, **it can** be ended quickly for the majority of households; and
- Most households will successfully exit homelessness with limited assistance.



# Why Rapid Rehousing?

## **An efficient and effective Rapid Rehousing program can:**

- Reduce the length of time households remain homeless while reducing the need for more costly alternatives that do not end homelessness, such as shelter beds;
- Create viable housing opportunities not previously available through landlord partnerships - especially for households with poor or no credit/rental history, very low incomes and/or other housing barriers; and
- Provide short term stabilization assistance once a client is in his own home.



# District of Columbia CoC Rapid Rehousing Programs and Statistics

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# Federally Funded Rapid Rehousing Programs in the District of Columbia CoC

| Program Name   | Funding Agency                                       | DC CoC Providers Implementing   | Currently Operational     | Households Served   | Assistance Type(s)                          | Services Provided  |
|--|--|---|---------------------------|---|---|--|
| <b>Homelessness Prevention and Rapid Rehousing Program (HPRP)</b><br><br><b>Population Served: Families and Singles</b><br><br><b>Subsidy Duration: Up to 18 months; households recertify every 3 months</b>   | US Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) | The Community Partnership, Catholic Charities, Community of Hope, Housing Counseling Services, Metropolitan Education Solutions, and Transitional Housing Corporation | No; program ended in 2012 | 1508 Households Served<br>Families Served: 906 (518 Prevention and 388 Homeless Assistance)<br>Singles Served: 602 (460 Prevention and 142 Homeless Assistance) | Prevention Services and Homeless Assistance | Case Management, Employment Preparation, Housing Search Assistance, Rental Assistance, Security Deposit, Utilities Assistance, and Utility Deposit   |
| <b>Homeward Rapid Rehousing Demonstration Project (Homeward)</b><br><br><b>Population Served: Families</b><br><br><b>Subsidy Duration: Up to 18 months; households recertify every 3 months</b>  | HUD  | Transitional Housing Corporation  | Yes                       | 87 Households Served  | Homeless Assistance                         | Case Management, Employment Preparation, Housing Search Assistance, Moving Assistance, Furniture Assistance, Life Skills, Youth Services, Criminal Record Expungement, Rental Assistance, and Security Deposit                                     |
| <b>Supportive Services for Veteran Families Program (SSVF)</b><br><br><b>Population Served: Veteran Headed Families and Single Veterans</b><br><br><b>Subsidy duration: Up to 5 consecutive or non-consecutive months during any 12 month period – not to exceed 8 months over 3 years</b> | US Department of Veterans Affairs (VA)               | Bright Beginnings, Community Connections, Community Council for the Homeless, Pathways to Housing, and Transitional Housing Corporation (Employment Services Only)    | Yes                       | 737 Households Served<br>Families Served: 57 (32 Prevention and 25 Homeless Assistance)<br>Singles Served: 680 (337 Prevention and 343 Homeless Assistance)     | Prevention Services and Homeless Assistance | Case Management, Employment Preparation, Housing Search Assistance, Moving Assistance, Transportation Assistance, Mental Health Services, Substance Abuse Services, Rental Assistance, Security Deposit, Utilities Assistance, and Utility Deposit |



## Locally Funded Rapid Rehousing Programs in the District of Columbia CoC

| Program Name   | Funding Agency  | DC CoC Providers Implementing  | Currently Operational     | Number of Households Served | Assistance Type(s)  | Services Provided   |
|--|---|--|---------------------------|-----------------------------|---------------------|---|
| <b>Short Term Exit Assistance Program (STEAP)</b><br><br><b>Population Served: Families</b><br><br><b>Subsidy Duration: Up to 18 months; households recertify every 3 months</b>         | District of Columbia Department of Human Services (DHS) | Catholic Charities, Community of Hope, Metropolitan Education Solutions, and Transitional Housing Corporation  | No; program ended in 2012 | 314 Households Served       | Homeless Assistance | Case Management, Employment Preparation, Housing Search Assistance, Rental Assistance, and Security Deposit   |
| <b>Family Rehousing and Stabilization Program (FRSP)</b><br><br><b>Population Served: Families</b><br><br><b>Subsidy Duration: up to 18 months; households recertify every 4 months.</b> | DHS   | Catholic Charities, Community of Hope, Transitional Housing Corporation, North Capitol Collaborative, Columbia Heights/Shaw Collaborative, Georgia Avenue Collaborative, Edgewood/Brookland Collaborative, Far Southeast Collaborative, and East River Collaborative | Yes                       | 305 Households Served       | Homeless Assistance | Case Management, Employment Preparation, Housing Search Assistance, Transportation Assistance, Clothing, Food Assistance, Household Goods, Mental Health Services, Substance Abuse Services, School Supplies, Rental Assistance, and Security Deposit |





# Rapid Rehousing Program Outcomes Compared to Program Outcomes for Transitional Housing in the District of Columbia CoC

| Program Name | Average Length of Service | % Exiting to Permanent Destinations | % Exiting to Temporary Destinations | % Exiting to Institutional Destinations | % Exiting to Other non-Permanent Destinations |
|--------------|---------------------------|-------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|---|---|
| HPRP         | 76 days/2.5 mos.          | 82.2                                | 2.8                                 | 0                                       | 15.0  |
| Homeward     | 461 days/15.3 mos.        | 64.0                                | 9.6                                 | 1.0                                     | 25.4  |
| SSVF         | 75 days/2.5 mos.          | 77.8                                | 13.0                                | .5                                      | 8.7   |
| STEAP        | 293 days/9 mos.           | 72.0                                | 19.1                                | .6                                      | 8.3   |
| FRSP         | 151 days/ 5 mos.          | 61.0                                | 13.1                                | 4.6                                     | 21.3  |

| Program Name         | Average Length of Service | % Exiting to Permanent Destinations | % Exiting to Temporary Destinations | % Exiting to Institutional Destinations | % Exiting to Other non-Permanent Destinations |
|----------------------|---------------------------|-------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|---|---|
| Transitional Housing | 839 days/27.9 mos.        | 49.9                                | 21.6                                | 7.2                                     | 21.3  |



## Rapid Rehousing Program Outcomes Compared to Program Outcomes for Frontline Shelter in the District of Columbia CoC

| Program Name | Average Length of Service | % Exiting to Permanent Destinations | % Exiting to Temporary Destinations | % Exiting to Institutional Destinations | % Exiting to Other non-Permanent Destinations |
|--------------|---------------------------|-------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|---|---|
| HPRP         | 76 days/2.5 mos.          | 82.2                                | 2.8                                 | 0                                       | 15.0  |
| Homeward     | 461 days/15.3 mos.        | 64.0                                | 9.6                                 | 1.0                                     | 25.4  |
| SSVF         | 75 days/2.5 mos.          | 77.8                                | 13.0                                | .5                                      | 8.7   |
| STEAP        | 293 days/9 mos.           | 72.0                                | 19.1                                | .6                                      | 8.3   |
| FRSP         | 151 days/ 5 mos.          | 61.0                                | 13.1                                | 4.6                                     | 21.3  |

| Program Name                   | Average Length of Service | % Exiting to Permanent Destinations | % Exiting to Temporary Destinations | % Exiting to Institutional Destinations | % Exiting to Other non-Permanent Destinations |
|--------------------------------|---------------------------|-------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|---|---|
| Frontline Shelter for Families | 128 days/4.3 mos.         | 20.6                                | 63.4                                | .62                                     | 16.1  |

| Program Name              | Average Length of Service | % Exiting to Permanent Destinations | % Exiting to Temporary Destinations | % Exiting to Institutional Destinations | % Exiting to Other non-Permanent Destinations |
|---------------------------|---------------------------|-------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|---|---|
| Frontline Shelter Singles | 939.5 days/2.9 mos.       | 19.3                                | 7.0                                 | 4.9                                     | 64.6  |



## Housing Stability Among Exiters from District of Columbia Rapid Rehousing Programs

| <b>Program Name</b>                 | <b>% of Exiters to Remain Stably Housed</b> |
|-------------------------------------|---|
| <b>All Rapid Rehousing Programs</b> | <b>91.2</b>                                 |
| <b>HPRP</b>                         | <b>90.8</b>                                 |
| <b>Homeward</b>                     | <b>94.4</b>                                 |
| <b>SSVF</b>                         | <b>93.5</b>                                 |
| <b>STEAP</b>                        | <b>75.9</b>                                 |
| <b>FRSP</b>                         | <b>96.7</b>                                 |



# Length of Time Stably Housed

|                                   | Average Length of Stability | % Stable for 0 to 3 mos. | % Stable for 4 to 6 mos. | % Stable for 7 to 12 mos. | % Stable for 13 to 23 mos. | % Stable for 2 years+ |
|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|---------------------------|----------------------------|-----------------------|
| HPRP Prevention Singles           | 831 days/27.7 mos.          | 0.0                      | 0.0                      | 27.7                      | 2.0                        | 70.3                  |
| HPRP Prevention Families          | 846 days/28.2 mos.          | 0.0                      | 0.8                      | 62.2                      | 18.5                       | 18.5                  |
| HPRP Homeless Assistance Singles  | 718 days/23.9 mos.          | 0.0                      | 0.0                      | 13.6                      | 47.7                       | 38.7                  |
| HPRP Homeless Assistance Families | 354 days/11.8 mos.          | 0.0                      | 0.0                      | 70.1                      | 21.9                       | 8.0                   |
| Homeward                          | 226 days/7.5 mos.           | 23.5                     | 35.3                     | 11.8                      | 29.4                       | 0.0                   |
| SSVF Prevention Singles           | 255 days/8.5 mos.           | 13.6                     | 20.3                     | 38.1                      | 28.0                       | 0.0                   |
| SSVF Homeless Assistance Singles  | 203 days/6.8 mos.           | 19.1                     | 34.4                     | 32.0                      | 14.5                       | 0.0                   |
| SSVF Prevention Families          | 277 days/ 9.2 mos.          | 4.3                      | 13.2                     | 56.5                      | 26.0                       | 0.0                   |
| SSVF Homeless Assistance Families | 191/ 6.4 mos.               | 31.2                     | 18.8                     | 37.5                      | 12.5                       | 0.0                   |
| STEAP                             | 402/13.4 mos.               | 0.0                      | 1.6                      | 42.2                      | 54.6                       | 1.6                   |
| FRSP                              | 112 days/3.7 mos.           | 56.5                     | 8.7                      | 26.1                      | 8.7                        | 0.0                   |



## Recidivism

- Households that returned to the CoC for additional supportive, financial, or housing services, usually did so at 6 months after program exit.
- Households that received services for a shorter period were less likely to return to the CoC for additional services as compared to households that received services for a longer period.



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