

Serving Homeless Families and Individuals Since July 2008

Homelessness Prevention ● Rapid-Rehousing ● Intensive Case Management

In the past year, Family Promise of Warren County (FPWC) has...

- Provided re-housing services to 106 homeless individuals (61 adults & 45 children).
- Prevented homelessness for 707 individuals (294 adults & 413 children).
- Assisted 253 households with prevention, diversion, re-housing, & rapid-resolution programs.

Homelessness Prevention Program (HPP)

- Can provide assistance with arrears (up to 3 months owed rent) for households facing eviction or security deposit and first month's rent for household who are homeless.
- Is a **one-time program** households **cannot be assisted more than once** in their lifetime with HPP funds.

Program requirements:

- Birth certificates for household, social security cards for household, valid NJ ID for all adults 18+, income verification, bank statements, current bills
- Must be in Warren County
- Must be within 80% Area Median Income
- Apartments must be rent reasonable in comparison to similar apartments in the area

<u>For Arrears Assistance</u>: Must have eviction notice and proof of significant occurrence (job/benefit loss, household breakup, car repair, medical bills, etc.) that led to missed rent

<u>For Rehousing Assistance</u>: Must be currently or at immediate risk of homelessness and must be able to verify homeless situation (photos of living in car, letter from shelter, letter from third party agency verifying situation, etc.)

Homelessness Prevention and Rapid Rehousing Program (HPRP)

- NJ Department of Community Affairs (DCA) funded program
- Can provide assistance with arrears (up to three months) for households facing eviction or security deposit
 and temporary rental assistance (up to 12 months, dependent upon availability of funds) for households
 who are homeless
- Ongoing assistance based on household income, households pay 30% of income towards rent each month, must meet with case manager and provide updated income monthly

Program requirements:

- Birth certificates for household, social security cards for household, valid NJ ID for all adults 18+, income verification, bank statements, current bills
- Must be in Warren County
- Must be within 30% Area Median Income
- Apartments must be within FMR (Fair Market Rent) limits set by HUD

<u>For Arrears Assistance</u>: Must have eviction notice and proof of significant occurrence (job/benefit loss, household breakup, car repair, medical bills, etc.) that led to missed rent

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<u>For Rehousing Assistance</u>: Must be currently or at immediate risk of homelessness and must be able to verify homeless situation (photos of living in car, letter from shelter, letter from third party agency verifying situation, etc.)

FEMA Emergency Food and Shelter Program

 Allows us to assist with up to 3 months of back rent per funding phase - Less strict than HPP and HPRP programs

Program Requirements:

- Birth certificates for entire household, social security cards for entire household, IDs for all adults 18+
- Must be in Warren County
- Does not have income limit
- Does not have apartment price limit (within reason)
- Does not require eviction notice
- Household should still be able to show significant occurrence that led to missed rent and should have sufficient income to pay rent after assistance is provided

Homelessness Diversion Program

- NJ Department of Community Affairs (DCA) funded program
- Less restrictive than HPP and HPRP programs
- Low barrier and person-centered approach
- Intended to provide homelessness diversion assistance to households in imminent risk of homelessness or households that can be rapidly exited from homelessness using creative problem-solving techniques
- Does not require birth certificate, social security card, current/valid ID Can assist undocumented households
- Any household currently homeless or at immediate risk and physically in the state of NJ can apply
- Funds can be utilized in multitude of ways to divert consumers from homelessness Rent payments
- Car repairs Utility assistance Transportation costs Moving costs Work attire

Rural and Suburban Outreach and Engagement Program

- NJ Department of Community Affairs (DCA) funded program
- Allows FPWC to provide mobile case management in field to individuals and families that may regularly
 have a more difficult time accessing services due to location, lack of transportation, out of state/out of
 county placements, and more.
- Specialists will work with applicants to complete necessary applications, follow up with referrals to other needed services, mediate with landlords/family/friends to locate alternate housing solutions, and to provide overall case management that will advance the household toward a self-sufficient and stable housing situation.
- No income limit, can assist undocumented or under documented households, long term NJ residency not required
- NOT crisis response, but will allow outreach specialists to build relationships with consumers who may be more difficult to engage

Comprehensive Eviction Defense and Diversion Program (CEDD)

- NJ Department of Community Affairs (DCA) funded program
- Intended to provide comprehensive and efficient defense against eviction to low-income households in NJ by combining social services and legal services
- Work jointly with Legal Services of NJ and Community Health Law Project to provide case management, mediation, legal advice, attend court proceedings, and provide creative solutions and rental assistance with the ultimate goal of preventing eviction or diverting from homelessness if eviction cannot be prevented
- Low-barrier, person centered approach
- Can assist tenants facing or threatened with eviction whose gross income is at or below 200% AMI
- Can assist tenants without written leases, sublease tenants, hotel/motel residents (who would otherwise be protected under NJ's Anti-Eviction Act), undocumented or under documented tenants, voucher program recipients, housing authority tenants

Rapid Resolution Program

- Funded by county
- Purely case management program
- Utilized in addition to other programs to provide case management services to all households we assist, including but not limited to linkages, advocacy, job search assistance, housing search, budgeting, child care resources, and more

Contact Us...

To see if you qualify, to schedule an appointment or if you would like to refer someone who may need assistance.

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