

Transitional Supportive Housing (TSH)



What is the Transitional Supportive Housing (TSH) program?

The Transitional Supportive Housing program, or TSH, is designed to provide financial assistance in the form of a 100% monthly rental subsidy along with case management services for up to 24-months for single individuals and families in transition from abusive homes to safe homes. The overall goal of the program is to assist clients with acquiring the necessary skills, knowledge and resources to lead successful, independent lives free from abuse.

To be eligible for the TSH-VOCA program a person must:

1. Be a victim of domestic violence or sexual assault.
2. Be at an increased risk for homelessness due to domestic violence or sexual assault circumstances.
3. Be currently participating in residential or non-residential services at Bay Area Women's Center for a minimum of 2 weeks.

How do I apply for the TSH program?

If you have an interest in TSH, begin by speaking to your Primary Case Manager. Your Primary Case Manager will want to assess your needs, goals, barriers to housing and will also be able to give you a detailed explanation of the TSH guidelines and participant's responsibilities while in the program. The next step will be for both you and your Primary Case Manager to complete your portion of the application. Your Primary Case Manager will obtain the application from the Transitional Housing Case Manager. After you and your Primary Case Manager have handed in the application and if there is a current or near future opening in the TSH program, you will then meet with the Transitional Housing Case Manager to complete an assessment for barriers to housing. Finally, assessment notes and a scoring matrix will be presented to case managers to review for accuracy in scoring an applicant's barriers. The selection of an applicant is based solely on a scoring system and greatest need for the case management services that are provided by the program.

How are people selected for the TSH program?

Candidates are chosen based on greatest need, as well as barriers to safe and affordable housing. Race, color, creed, sex, sexual orientation, religion and/or national affiliation will not be deciding factors for acceptance or denial into the Transitional Supportive Housing Program. If you are a shelter resident, your chores, participation in group or individual sessions are not determining factors for this program. However, it does help if you are meeting with your primary case manager regularly to help them understand how this program would benefit you.

Other Information:

Unfortunately, space in the TSH program is very limited. Program participation is limited to once-in-a-lifetime per client through BAWC. Please speak to your primary case manager if you have any questions. Rental assistance is determined by grant funding. If you are selected for the program, please be aware that grant funding could be eliminated without advanced notice. In the event of funding interruption, the TSH case manager would assist you on accessing resources and other housing options.