Cape & Islands Continuum of Care MRVP Outreach and Tenant Selection Provider Information

Outreach

The Cape & Islands Continuum of Care is conducting outreach to all homelessness service providers in the continuum including shelters, mental health providers, substance abuse treatment providers, healthcare providers and street outreach teams.

Outreach will include, but not be limited to the following agencies and persons:

Housing Assistance Corp (HAC) (Housing services)

Duffy Health Center (Healthcare for the Homeless)

Vinfen (Homeless Outreach to Seriously Mentally III)

Housing Authorities (Bourne to Provincetown, Martha's Vineyard, Nantucket)

Homeless Prevention Council

Cape Veterans Outreach Center

Champ Homes (Housing)

Homeless Not Hopeless (Transitional housing)

AIDS Support Group of Cape Cod

Elder Services of Cape & Islands

Cape Cod Council of Churches

Salvation Army

MA Department of Mental Health

Eliot Human Services (Shelter Outreach)

NAMI

Falmouth Human Services

Community Action Committee of Cape & Islands

Cape Cod Healthcare

Mashpee Wampanoag Tribe

Tenant Selection Process

The Housing Assistance Corporation (HAC) will select tenants using an open lottery. All qualified applicants will be assigned a date/time stamp ID at application submission. In the event that there are more completed applications received than there are available MRVPs, each ID will be included in the lottery. Only applicants who have, through their application demonstrated that they are chronically homeless shall be entered into a lottery.

- 1. For the lottery application, Homeless Persons will only need to verify chronic homelessness. All other MRVP verifications will be collected by HAC (the RAA) if, and only if an applicant has been chosen in the lottery.
- 2. Application Packets must be returned to HAC by April 19th. Application packets include the application page and documentation of Chronic Homelessness including disability.
- 3. Applications may be submitted to the attention of Georganna Reed by fax to 508-775-7434, by pdf to greed@haconcapecod.org, or by mail or hand delivery to HAC 460 W Main St, Hyannis MA 02601.
- 4. HAC staff will date/time stamp all returned applications. Applications must be received by 5:00pm on the day of the deadline. Applicants are responsible for completed applications being submitted at HAC by the deadline.
- 5. Only fully completed applications will be entered into the lottery.
- 6. HAC will be unable to contact applicants regarding any incomplete applications. Therefore, it is extremely important to ensure that all documents are complete and accurate.
- 7. HAC will be unable to respond to individual inquiries about the status of receipt of an application, completeness of an application, or whether or not an applicant was chosen in the lottery.
- 8. Based on the date/time stamp, the applications will be numbered sequentially by the day/time they were received.
- 9. Within 10 business days of the Lottery application deadline, HAC will utilize random.org (http://www.random.org/sequences/) to generate a random selection of numbers based on the submissions.
- 10. Applications will be verified by HAC who will continue the process for MRVP eligibility and voucher issuance.
- 11. If the subsidy expires or if individuals are determined ineligible for MRVP then HAC (the RAA) will select the next person in sequence from the original pool, verify their application and begin the eligibility process. This will continue until June 30, 2016.
- 12. Persons who are issued an MRVP voucher will have 120 days to secure a unit. If they are unable to secure a unit within the allotted time frame, their subsidy will expire.
- 13. Once 10 units have been successfully leased the remaining 10 vouchers and the waiting list will expire.