

Homelessness, Housing and Support Services Administration

The Homelessness, Housing and Support Services Administration works to ensure that appropriate housing is available for Minnesotans. It does this by supporting systems that integrate housing, services and income supports, enabling people to live in the community of their choice. The administration is home to a number of housing and economic assistance programs that serve as critical pieces of the social safety net in Minnesota.

Grant Programs

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[Community Living Infrastructure grants](#)

These grants provide funding to counties and Tribal Nations to integrate housing into local health and human services systems.



[Crisis Housing Assistance Services](#)

This program provides short-term housing assistance to people with a serious mental illness who are receiving inpatient or residential mental health care or substance use disorder treatment for 90 days or less.

[Emergency Services Program](#)

The Emergency Services Program funds outreach, drop-in or day shelters, overnight shelters, motel vouchers and other types of emergency shelters for people experiencing homelessness.

[Emergency Solutions Grant](#)

This grant funds emergency shelters and rapid re-housing programs for people experiencing homelessness, and homelessness prevention programs for people at risk of homelessness.

[Homeless Youth Act](#)

This program funds outreach, drop-in center, shelter, and housing programs and services. Funding is targeted to unaccompanied youth age 24 and under, who are experiencing homelessness or are at-risk of homelessness.

[Housing with Supports for Adults with Serious Mental Illness](#)

This program provides supportive services for adults with serious mental illness who are homeless or who are exiting institutions, and who have complex needs and face high barriers to obtaining and maintaining housing.

[Projects for Assistance in Transition from Homelessness](#)

PATH supports outreach and case management services to support people with serious mental illness who are experiencing homelessness meet their basic needs and obtain housing.

[Long-Term Homeless Supportive Services](#)

Seven regional partnerships provide services to those who have experienced long-term homelessness so they can find and maintain housing in the community of their choice.

[Safe Harbor Shelter and Housing](#)

This grant provides funding and support to address the specialized shelter and housing needs of youth aged 24 and under who have experienced sexual exploitation.

[Shelter-Linked Mental Health](#)

This program increases access to mental health services for youth residing in a Safe Harbor or Homeless Youth Act shelter or housing program.

[Transitional Housing Program](#)

This program funds time-limited rental assistance and supportive services to help individuals and families experiencing homelessness obtain and maintain housing.

Income Supports

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[Emergency General Assistance](#)

EGA provides once-annual help to pay for food, shelter or utility expenses in crisis situations.



[General Assistance](#)

GA is temporary aid that helps Minnesotans with little or no income meet their basic needs. It offers a monthly cash grant to those with a serious illness, disabilities or other issues limiting ability to work.

[Housing Support](#)

Housing Support is a state-funded income support that pays for housing-related costs for adults with disabilities, or who are age 65 or older, who have low incomes and live in authorized settings.

[Minnesota Supplemental Aid](#)

MSA is an income supplement for people receiving federal Supplemental Security Income (SSI) benefits, or who would be receiving SSI if their income was not above the SSI limit.

[Social Security Advocacy](#)

Social Security Advocacy helps people apply for Social Security disability benefits who are under age 65, on certain public assistance programs and have a disability expected to last 12 months or more.

Community Living Supports

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[Bridging Benefits](#)

This helps people at risk of homelessness who are leaving Minnesota correctional facilities find and keep housing.



[Housing Stabilization Services](#)

This Medicaid benefit helps seniors and people with disabilities (including mental illness and substance use disorder) find and keep housing.

[Section 811 Project-Based Rental Assistance](#)

This program offers subsidized rental units in designated properties for people under 62 enrolled in Moving Home Minnesota, or experiencing long-term homelessness and serious mental illness and are receiving PATH services.