

Affordable Low Barrier Housing Program (ALBH)

Overview:

The Affordable Low Barrier Housing Program is a comprehensive housing initiative designed to address the diverse needs of our community. Due to low vacancy rates and high rental costs, households with rental vouchers often need help locating a landlord who will accept the subsidy. Through this service, the Community Alliance for the Homeless (CAFTH) Affordable Low Barrier Housing (ALBH) Program was created to incentivize landlords to rent their units to these individuals and families.

We recognize that securing stable housing can be a significant challenge for many individuals, especially those facing barriers such as a bad rental history, insufficient income, or a history of incarceration. That's why we've developed the ALBH program, a comprehensive initiative to break down these barriers and empower individuals to achieve housing stability.

The ALBH program is dedicated to providing practical support and resources to individuals struggling to navigate the housing process due to various obstacles. We aim to empower clients to overcome these challenges and secure safe and stable housing for themselves and their families.

Intended Recipients:

- Potential Tenants must be homeless as defined by the Office of Housing and Urban Development (HUD).
- Potential Tenants must be in **Coordinated Entry (CE) awaiting Rapid Re-Housing (RRH)**.
- Potential Tenants must be **Rental Ready**.
- All ALBH Tenants must receive ongoing case management services provided by case managers at designated agencies.

Key Features:

- **Affordable Housing Solutions:**
 - ALBH offers a variety of affordable housing options tailored to meet the needs of different income levels.
 - In addition to the partner agencies' wrap-around services, the **ALBH program will cover the cost of the tenant's first and last month's rent, deposit, and landlord mitigations if needed.**
- **Supportive Services:**
 - Partner agencies provide ongoing case management services to all ALBH renters, assisting the tenant regularly to help with stability and goal achievement.
 - As resources and points of contact for the landlord, the case manager and Continuum of Care (CoC) Housing Navigators are available to assist with any issues.

How to Get Involved:

For any questions or concerns regarding the Affordable Low Barrier Housing Program, please contact:

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