

## **Allegheny County, PA Rapid Re-Housing Demonstration Summary**

Community Pilot Serves: **All of Allegheny County, Pennsylvania**

Organizational Lead: **Community Human Services**

Partner Organizations: ACDHS, Joblinks, Oakland Planning and Development, Family Services of Western PA

Number of People Experiencing Homelessness in Community: 1,187

Number of Families Homeless in Community: 588

### **Pilot Program Design**

Annual Number of Families Targeted for Rapid Re-Housing Pilot: 20

**Referral Process:** single application available through County, outreach sites, on line and through CHS outreach

**Services Planned:** case management, life skills training, money management, information and referral, housing location assistance, housing counseling, renter certification, job counseling and coaching, rental assistance

*Housing Location Strategies:* CHS possesses a landlord network of over 100 landlords. Five management companies have already pledged housing to the project.

*Rental Assistance:*

*Post-Housing Placement:* CHS will use its vast network of landlords to ensure clients can remain in the housing they secured in the RR program. Case managers will work with households to have all entitlements in place before the family exits the program. Also, each family will leave with a community resource plan and a crisis plan.

### **Additional Information:**

CHS will soon have an internal food pantry for outreach/screening into all of their programs and are talking to the food bank about being in their sites to do the same.

CHS, in their outreach health sites, can also i.d. folks, particularly the one at family shelter. CHS already did a community survey and are scheduling one on ones to talk about the program to staff and catch clients on site rather than them trying to find CHS. Also working with the PHFA folks and housing authorities to trigger CHS to folks being evicted from subsidized housing so CHS can act early on them.

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