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Benefits of Shelter+Care:

-  Participants pay approximately 30% of their adjusted gross income for rent.
-  Participants are required to follow through with supportive services and work toward self-sufficiency.

At this time the City of Topeka can only accept referrals from the following agencies:

- New Dawn
- Positive Connections
- Valeo Recovery Center
- Veterans Administration
- Valeo Behavioral Health Care
- New Dawn Recovery and Wellness



SHELTER PLUS CARE

HOUSING ASSISTANCE PROGRAM





Program Description

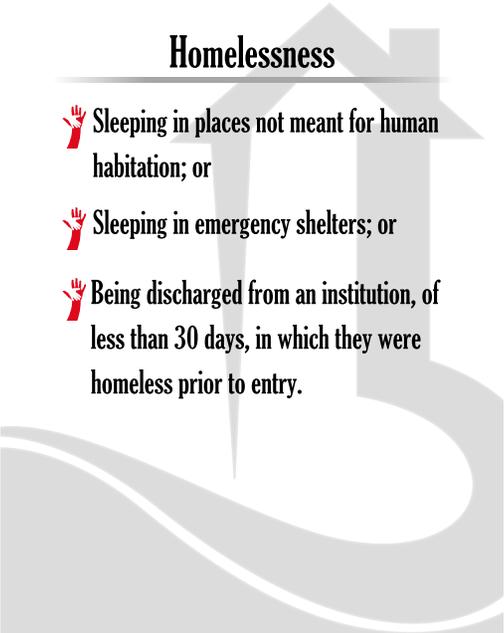
Shelter Plus Care is a program designed to provide rental assistance to homeless persons with disabilities, (primarily those with serious mental illness, chronic problems with alcohol and/or drugs, or diagnosed with AIDS or a related disease) as a bridge to self-sufficiency. Participants may choose their residence from units where the landlord agrees to accept the established housing subsidy and abide by the Shelter Plus Care program guidelines. This rental assistance will provide the ongoing financial support needed to maintain the chosen residence as the participant works toward establishing greater financial stability and self-sufficiency.

The Shelter Plus Care participant must have a need for and agree to participate in supportive services to remain on the program. The intensity of participation in supportive services will vary according to the needs of the participants; however, the participant must meet with their primary service provider at least once per month. Failure to participate in supportive services and lack of progress toward establishing self-sufficiency may result in the participant being terminated from the program.



Who is eligible?

The Shelter Plus Care program is designed to provide rental assistance to adults who are homeless and suffer from one of the targeted disabilities. To be eligible, these adults must be experiencing at least one of the listed criteria for homelessness and suffer from one of the targeted disabilities:



Homelessness

-  Sleeping in places not meant for human habitation; or
-  Sleeping in emergency shelters; or
-  Being discharged from an institution, of less than 30 days, in which they were homeless prior to entry.

Targeted Disabilities

-  Severe and Persistent Mental Illness
-  Chronic alcohol and/or drug abuse
-  AIDS or related disease

