Rapid Re-housing Rental Assistance

Program Description

Rapid ReHousing is funded by a grant through the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). The program is designed for families who are experiencing homelessness and need temporary assistance in order to obtain and retain housing.

It is not intended to provide long-term support for program participants, nor will it address all of the financial and supportive service needs affecting housing stability. Rather, assistance is focused on housing stabilization, linking program participants to community resources and mainstream benefits, and helping them develop a plan for preventing future housing instability. The type and duration of assistance will vary and may include assistance with the following: past due rent, late fees, security and/or utility deposits, utility payments, rent and other related costs. Participation in case management is mandatory to assist households in accessing support services to ensure their success.

Rental Assistance

Rental assistance may be provided on a short term basis from 7 to 12 months. Families will be required to pay the entire rent to owner when his or her income has stabilized. The agency will conduct a reexamination of the client's income to determine eligibility. If the agency determines more rental assistance is needed for stabilization, the agency may continue to pay on a case by case basis. The owner will be provided an exit notice of when assistance will terminate.

Rent to Owner

The total gross rent can be no more than the fair market rent of _________ based on the family size. The tenant may pay a portion based on his or her income which is 30%.

The Tampa Housing Authority will need to inspect the property to determine habitability. Please complete the attached request for tenancy approval. Rents charged must be at the same rate of other unassisted/assisted tenants.