Connecting with a Housing Support Provider in Hennepin County

What is Housing Support?

Housing Support (formerly known as GRH) is a state-funded income supplement for housing costs and, in some instances, supportive services for low-income people with disabilities. The benefit is **never paid directly** to a landlord but must be paid to an approved Housing Support Provider who receives the benefit and pays rent and utilities on behalf of the tenant. Housing Support providers have applied to Hennepin County and entered into a Housing Support Agreement to manage these benefits on behalf of low-income and disabled residents.

If an individual's housing is dependent on Housing Support funding, they should **never** be placed in housing without first identifying an approved Housing Support provider.

How to Find a Housing Support Provider

You can use <u>HB101 Places</u> to search for providers with Housing Support vacancies. There are multiple models of Housing Support.

<u>Please note</u>: If you are a service provider looking to connect a resident to a Community-Based Housing Support provider, you can search for supportive housing providers in <u>HB101 Places</u>. The provider would need to agree to take your client on as a "base rate only" client, meaning you will deliver the services, not them. Many Housing Support providers also deliver the services, and their business model requires the bundling of housing and services.

How to Become a Housing Support Provider

Hennepin County selects a small number of Housing Support providers through a Request for Proposal (RFP) process, which occurs once or twice a year. If you are interested in learning more about the process to become a Housing Support provider in Hennepin County, please attend one of our information sessions.

Other Funding Options for Housing

Housing Support may not be the best funding option for every individual. To learn more about other funding options for housing, please visit <u>HB101</u>.

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Important Links

Department of Human Services Housing Support Program Overview

Department of Human Services Housing Stabilization Services Overview

HB101 Places

Hennepin County Housing Support

Housing Support Provider Manual

Hennepin County Economic Supports

Becoming a Housing Support Provider in Hennepin County