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Abilene, TX 79602

Abilene Housing Authority (TX327)

Mainstream Voucher Application

Application/Referral Process

AHA is partnering with numerous local agencies including homeless shelters, Continuum of Care (CoC) providers, mental health authorities, Olmsted Plan funded agencies, the city of Abilene, and several other organizations to provide referrals and supportive services for participants in the Mainstream Voucher Program.

Partnering Agencies will make direct referrals to AHA as well as help certify that applicants for the Mainstream Voucher Program meet at least one of the four target populations:

- Transitioning out of institutional and other segregated settings
- At serious risk of institutionalization,
- Homeless
- At risk of being homeless

Partnering agencies making a direct referral for an applicant that meets one of the four target populations will provide a standardized certification document that verifies the applicant is eligible for the Mainstream Voucher Program. They will also help the applicant submit an application for the Housing Choice Voucher (HCV) wait list. AHA staff will ensure that the applicant is awarded the Mainstream Voucher Preference if needed.

All households applying for the HCV Wait List will have the option of selecting the Mainstream Voucher Preference without needing a direct referral. At time of eligibility determination AHA will work with the applicant and our partnering agencies to certify that the applicant is eligible for the Mainstream Voucher Preference.

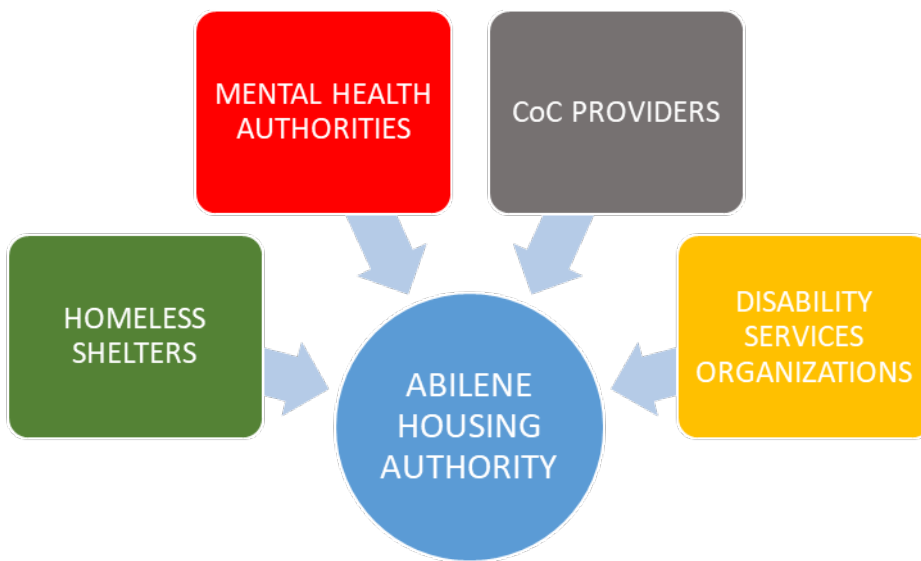
Whether eligible or not AHA staff will make appropriate referrals to local agencies that could assist the household with various needs. At voucher issuance the applicant will be referred to agencies that can assist directly with housing needs.

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Direct Referral Process

(Partner Agencies refer applicant to AHA for Mainstream Voucher and certify program eligibility)



Applicant Initiated Process

(Applicant applies directly to AHA for Mainstream voucher, and AHA works with applicant and partner agencies to verify program eligibility)

