



Clark County Family Services

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SUBJECT:

Housing Assistance

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SCOPE:

Accessing and utilizing available housing resources with the assistance of Grants and Program (GAP) Services at Clark County Clinical and Community Services.

SPECIFIC LEGAL and OTHER REFERENCES:

[Housing and Urban Development definition](#) of “Literally Homeless”

[NAC 432B](#)

[NRS 432B](#)

Family Assistance Request Policy and Procedures

PROGRAMS IMPACTED:

At Risk Youth Support
Emergency Response Team
Guardianship
Nevada Initial Assessment
Permanency

SUMMARY OF CHANGES:

New

DEFINITIONS:

For a list of acronyms and a glossary of terms used throughout CCFS refer to Acronyms and Glossary located on DFSNet. The following definitions were changed or added during this P&P development or provide additional context:

Coordinated Entry Sites (CES):

A system utilized to ensure that all people experiencing a housing crisis have fair and equal access and are quickly identified, assessed for, and connected to HUD funded housing and homeless services in the community based on their strengths and needs.

Southern Nevada Coordinated Entry Housing Assessment Tool:

A community developed tool that prioritizes families for available permanent housing based on acuity and chronicity.

Category 1- Literally Homeless ([Housing and Urban Development definition](#))

- (1) Individual or family who lacks a fixed, regular, and adequate nighttime residence, meaning:
- (i) Has a primary nighttime residence that is a public or private place not meant for human habitation;
 - (ii) Is living in a publicly or privately operated shelter designated to provide temporary living arrangements (including congregate shelters, transitional housing, and hotels and motels paid for by charitable organizations or by federal, state and local government programs); or
 - (iii) Is exiting an institution where (s)he has resided for 90 days or less and who resided in an emergency shelter or place not meant for human habitation immediately before entering that institution.

FORMS, PUBLICATIONS, AND INSTRUCTIONAL (FPI) DOCUMENTS:

CCFS Letterhead (FPI Library)

Family Assistance Request (FPI Library)

GAP Services Housing Referral (FPI Library)

Resource Guide for Homeless Services (FPI Library)

POLICY:

- A.** Clark County Family Services (CCFS) may receive reports for families experiencing homelessness.
- B.** For families where homelessness is the only safety concern, it is important to connect the family (also referred to as a household) to the Coordinated Entry System (CES) to help them obtain and retain housing, and ultimately reduce the risk of family separation.
- C.** CCFS utilizes the support of the Grants and Program (GAP) Services unit of Clark County Clinical and Community Services. The GAP Services unit provides housing and resource assistance to support client and family needs aiding in self-sufficiency.
 - 1. GAP Services unit reviews case information and submits referrals on behalf of the client for any and all programs they are eligible.
 - 2. GAP Services unit supports assigned Specialists with ongoing guidance and direction for the family to navigate and access housing services both internally and in the community.
 - 3. GAP Services unit provides additional resource options and guidance when families do not qualify for CCFS specific resources.
 - 4. A referral to GAP Services does not guarantee housing.

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