

Eligible Participants under McKinney Continuum of Care Programs

A person is considered *homeless* only when he/she resides in one of the three places described below.

For New and Renewal **Permanent Supportive Housing (incl permanent Safe Havens)**:

- Places not meant for human habitation, such as cars, parks, sidewalks, and abandoned buildings;
- An emergency shelter; or
- Transitional housing for homeless persons who originally came from the streets or emergency shelter

If a person is in one of the three categories listed above, but most recently spent less than 30 days in a jail or institution, he/she qualifies as coming from one of these three categories.

For **Transitional Housing, Safe Havens (non-Permanent Housing) or Supportive Services Only**:

- Eviction within a week from a private dwelling unit and no subsequent residence has been identified and the person lacks the resources and support networks needed to obtain housing; or
- Discharge within a week from an institution in which the person has been a resident for 30 or more consecutive days and no subsequent residence has been identified and he/she lacks the resources and support networks needed to obtain housing.

Note: projects cannot be structured to target individuals being discharged from institutions.

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For **Permanent Supportive Housing** targeting **Chronically Homeless Individuals**:

- An unaccompanied homeless individual with a disabling condition who has either been continuously homeless for a year or more OR has had at least four (4) episodes of homelessness in the past three (3) years.
- The person must have been sleeping in a place not meant for human habitation (e.g. living on the streets) and/or in an emergency homeless shelter.
- A disabling condition is defined as “a diagnosable substance use disorder, serious mental illness, developmental disability, or chronic physical illness or disability, including co-occurrence of two or more of these conditions.” A disabling condition limits an individual’s ability to work or perform one or more activities of daily living.
- An episode of homelessness is a separate, distinct, and sustained stay on the streets and/or in an emergency shelter and the individual must be unaccompanied and disabled during each episode.