

Southwest Minnesota Area Coordinated Entry System



Current Southwest Minnesota Transitional Housing, Rapid Rehousing and Permanent Supportive Housing for those experiencing homelessness as of July, 2020.

	Transitional Housing	
Geography	Program	Description \ Eligibility
In all CoC Counties except Rock, Pipestone and Lac qui Parle Counties	Bridges	Scattered-site vouchers for those in SW 18 Counties with Serious Mental Illness (SMI) <sup>8</sup> . All counties except Rock and LQP. Top preference to those leaving institutions. Second preference, MN Homeless <sup>6</sup> (not required).
In all 18 CoC Counties	Bridges to Bridges	Scattered-site vouchers for those in SW 18 Counties. Adult/Head of Household must have Serious and Persistent Mental Illness (SPMI) <sup>9</sup> . All counties. Top preference to those leaving institutions. Second preference, MN homeless <sup>6</sup> (not required).
Kandiyohi, Renville, Meeker, McLeod, Renville, Redwood, Lyon, Lincoln, Cottonwood, Jackson Counties (OEO)		Scattered-site State Transitional Housing Units in UCAP Counties for MN Homeless <sup>6</sup> . Families or Singles.
Jackson, Cottonwood, Redwood, Lincoln, and Lyon Counties	UCAP HYA (Homeless Youth Act)	Scattered site, youth under 25 who are HUD Homeless Category One <sup>3</sup> or Category 4 <sup>4</sup> . Unaccompanied youth or youth families. Emergency shelter also available.
Kandiyohi, Renville, Meeker and McLeod Counties	LSS Willmar State Transitional Housing for Youth	Scattered-site Youth 21 and younger who are MN Homeless <sup>6</sup> .
Kandiyohi, Renville, Meeker and McLeod Counties	LSS Willmar Healthy Transitions	Scattered-site Youth 21 and younger who have been in out of home placement. Very short term rental assistance.
Nobles, Rock, Pipestone, and Murray Counties	UCAP Transitional Housing (formerly SMOC)	Scattered-site temporary housing assistance with case management for MN Homeless <sup>6</sup> . In order of priority: single moms, couples with children, elderly.
Swift, Big Stone, Yellow Medicine, Chippewa, Lac qui Parle Counties	Prairie Five Transitional Housing	Scattered-site temporary housing assistance with case management for MN Homeless <sup>6</sup> .

	Rapid Rehousing	
Geography	Program	Description \ Eligibility
	UCAP Federal Rapid Rehousing	Scattered-site HUD Homeless Category One <sup>3</sup> or Category 4 <sup>4</sup> . Families and Singles. Disability not required.





	Permanent Supportive Housing	
Geography	Program	Description \ Eligibility
In all 18 CoC Counties	Rental Assistance SPC	15 vouchers. Scattered-site HUD Homeless Category One <sup>3</sup> or Category 4 <sup>4</sup> . Families or Singles. Adult/Head of Household must have a documented Serious Mental Illness <sup>8</sup> .
Kandiyohi County	Westwind Townhomes	HUD Homeless Category One <sup>3</sup> or Category 4 <sup>4</sup> families. Any household family member in with a documented HUD Disability <sup>1</sup> . Six units at Westwind Townhomes in Willmar require MN long-term homelessness <sup>7</sup> . If no LTH household matches are available, then High Priority Homeless <sup>2</sup> Households can be considered. One scattered-site voucher does not require MN long-term Homelessness <sup>7</sup> .
Kandiyohi, Renville, Meeker and McLeod Counties	LSS PSH for Youth	Scattered-site. HUD Homeless Category One <sup>3</sup> or Category 4 <sup>4</sup> . Youth 24 and younger either alone or with children. A family member needs a documented HUD disability <sup>1</sup> .
Kandiyohi, Meeker and McLeod Counties	UCAP PSH M&M KANDI	<ul> <li>Kandiyohi County: Nine one-bedroom units: seven for HUD Chronically Homeless Singles <sup>5</sup> and two for HUD Homeless Category One <sup>3</sup> or Category 4 <sup>4</sup> Singles.</li> <li>Meeker County: One one-bedroom unit for HUD Chronically Homeless <sup>5</sup> Single.</li> <li>McLeod County: Three one-bedroom units for HUD Chronically Homeless <sup>5</sup> Single.</li> <li>If no Chronically Homeless on Priority List, take most vulnerable matching person on CoC Priority List, but HUD Homeless Category One <sup>3</sup> or Four <sup>4</sup> and documented HUD disability <sup>1</sup> is always required</li> </ul>
Kandiyohi	Country View Place	Site-based family units in Willmar for Chronically Homeless <sup>5</sup> Families. If no Chronically Homeless are on Priority List, take most vulnerable, but HUD Homeless Category One <sup>3</sup> or Four <sup>4</sup> . If chronic, Adult Household Member needs documented HUD disability <sup>1</sup> . If non-chronic, any Household Member can be the one with a HUD disability <sup>1.</sup> Additionally, families must be MN Long-term homeless <sup>7</sup> . If no LTH household matches are available, then High Priority Homeless <sup>2</sup> Households can be considered.
Lyon, Redwood, and Jackson	Sofo at Hama Cronta	HUD Homeless Category One <sup>3</sup> or Category 4 <sup>4</sup> Families or Singles. Any family member in the household with a documented HUD disability
Counties Kandiyohi	Safe at Home Grants 15 <sup>th</sup> Street Flats	Five units for MN Long-term homeless <sup>7</sup> families or singles. If no LTH household matches are on the CoC Priority List, then High Priority Homeless <sup>2</sup> Households can be considered. Adult must be >65 or have a condition that limits their self-sufficiency. For example, it may be a physical or mental health disability, visual impairment or chemical dependency.
Jackson County	Eagle Ridge	Four two-bedroom site-based units in Jackson for MN long-term homeless <sup>7</sup> families and singles. If no LTH household matches are on the CoC Priority List, then High Priority Homeless <sup>2</sup> Households can be considered.





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Nobles County	Viking Terrace	Four one-bedroom site-based units for MN long-term homeless <sup>7</sup> . If no LTH household matches are on the CoC Priority List, then High Priority Homeless <sup>2</sup> Households can be considered.
Nobles County	New Castle Townhomes	Two two-bedroom and two-three bedroom site-based units for MN long- term homeless <sup>7</sup> . If no LTH household matches are on the CoC Priority List, then High Priority Homeless <sup>2</sup> Households can be considered.
Nobles County	Nobles Square	Two one-bedroom and two two-bedroom site-based units for MN long- term homeless <sup>7</sup> . If no LTH household matches are on the CoC Priority List, then High Priority Homeless <sup>2</sup> Households can be considered.
Pipestone, Rock, Nobles, Jackson and Cottonwood	SWMHC HUD Vouchers	Four scattered site vouchers for HUD Category One or Four homeless families or singles. At least one household member needs to have a documented HUD disability <sup>1</sup> .
Pipestone, Rock, Nobles, Jackson and Cottonwood	MN Long-Term Homeless (LTH) Vouchers	Four vouchers for MN long-term homeless (LTH) singles or families. If no LTH household matches are on the CoC Priority List, then High Priority Homeless <sup>2</sup> Households can be considered.







## DEFINITIONS

# 1. HUD DISABILITY

A disability verified by a professional licensed by the state to diagnose and treat the disability and his or her certification that the disability is expected to be long-continuing or of indefinite duration and substantially impedes the individual's ability to live independently.

### 2. HIGH PRIORITY HOMELESS

Households (individuals, families with children or youth) prioritized for permanent supportive housing through the Coordinated Entry (CE) system.

### 3. HUD HOMELESS CATEGORY ONE

Individuals and families who lack a fixed, regular, and adequate nighttime residence and includes a subset for an individual who is exiting an institution where he or she resided for 90 days or less and who resided in an emergency shelter or a place not meant for human habitation immediately before entering that institution;

### 4. HUD HOMELESS CATEGORY FOUR

Individuals and families who are fleeing, or are attempting to flee, domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, stalking, or other dangerous or life-threatening conditions that relate to violence against the individual or a family member.

### 5. HUD CHRONICALLY HOMELESS

Chronic homelessness has been defined as a single individual (or head of household) with a disabling condition who has either:

Experienced homelessness for longer than a year, during which time the individual may have lived in a shelter, Safe Haven, or a place not meant for human habitation.

Or experienced homelessness four or more times in the last three years.

The four episodes have to add up to 12 months. People who exited institutional care facilities into homelessness after spending fewer than 90 days there will have that period counted toward their homelessness. The time between periods of homelessness is defined as seven days in order for the period of homelessness to constitute an "episode."

### 6. MN HOMELESS DEFINITION

The State of Minnesota defines as homeless "any individual, unaccompanied youth or family that is without a permanent place to live that is fit for human habitation." Doubling-up is considered homeless if that arrangement has persisted less than one year.

#### 7. MN LONG-TERM HOMELESS DEFINITION

The State of Minnesota defines an individual, unaccompanied youth or family as "Long-Term Homeless" if they are without a home for a year or more OR have had at least four (4) episodes of homelessness in the past three (3) years. Any period of institutionalization or incarceration (including transitional housing, prison/jail, treatment, hospitals, foster care, or refugee camps) shall be excluded when determining the length of time the household has been homeless.

#### 8. SERIOUS MENTAL ILLNESS (SMI)

A mental, behavioral, or emotional disorder resulting in serious functional impairment, which substantially interferes with or limits one or more major life activities.

#### 9. SERIOUS AND PERSISTENT MENTAL ILLNESS (SPMI)

A group of severe mental health disorders as defined in the Diagnostic and Statistical Manual used by mental health professionals to diagnose clients. The SPMI category includes Major Depression, Bipolar Disorders, Schizophrenia and Borderline Personality Disorder.