SRO - Room Occupancy

Program Description

The purpose of the Shelter-Plus Care Program is to help hard-to-serve disabled homeless persons who are currently living on the streets. In emergency shelters or who meet McKinney’s definition of homelessness by providing linked rental assistance and supportive services for them. The Somerville Housing Authority with the assistance of the Somerville Homeless Coalition administers seven Shelter-Plus Care Vouchers.

How it works

HUD provides rental assistance subsidies for housing and the community matches the dollar value of the rental assistance with equal or greater dollars of supportive services.

Who is eligible?

Eligible program participants targeted by the Shelter-Plus Care Program include disabled homeless persons with preference to those homes persons (and their families) who have serious mental illness, chronic alcohol or other drug problems, AIDS, severe physical disabilities or some combination of these disabilities.

How do I apply?

Contact: The Somerville Homeless Coalition (617) 623-6111