

HOMELESS TEAM SERVICES



**HOMELESSNESS IS A COMPLEX PROBLEM,
AND CAN BE A CAUSE OR EFFECT OF
MENTAL ILLNESS**

Park Center offers a range of mental health services is available to assist and support the psychiatrically disabled individual transition out of homelessness and into a stable environment in the community.



Homeless Team Services

Homeless Team Shelter Liaisons provide services to people without stable housing who have serious and persistent mental illnesses.



The teams focuses on individuals who are admitted for Park Center services and are considered homeless, with the understanding that their needs are complex and multi-faceted. Attention is focused on the following:

- **Assistance with locating housing by linking with shelters, halfway houses, and resources to obtain housing.** Careful coordination with shelters and other housing options occur in order to find appropriate placement for each individual. Housing that is best suited to the level of services deemed necessary to meet the individual's needs will be recommended, with less intensive service options as the person's needs diminish.
- **Addressing the individual's mental illness and encouraging the individual to remain engaged in treatment, with stability being the main goal.** Communication and coordination with other community service providers occur as needed in order to ensure the best treatment outcome for the individual.
- **Case management and other support services available to those who choose to receive Park Center services.** The process is transitional as the application process for entitlements in which the individual may qualify is begun and the individual is referred to appropriate treatment within the Center for continued follow-up.
- **Outreach, education, and engagement at local shelters is an important part of the team's activity.** Actively seeking out those who are in need of services, offering education regarding mental illness, symptoms, and symptom management occurs routinely at various shelter sites.

To reach the Homeless Team Shelter Liaisons, call:

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