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Zach,

For the workgroup's reference, Attached a bit more information concerning Georgia's Permanent Supportive Housing voucher program, with a link for more info.

This is submitted on behalf of the Florida Supportive Housing Coalition.

Thank you.

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EXAMPLE – Rental Assistance Supportive Housing Program

The Georgia Housing Voucher and Bridge Program is a comprehensive Permanent Supportive Housing program in operation since 2010.

Target Population

Individuals with a Serious and Persistent Mental Illness and are in a state hospital, are chronically homeless, are frequently admitted to crisis units or emergency rooms or are incarcerated.

Program Components

- Tenant-based rental assistance and utilities paid directly to the provider; tenant pays 30% of income for rent
 - utilize HUD Fair Market Rents and Housing Quality Standards
 - Master leasing is permitted
- Bridge funding covers start-up costs: security deposits, furniture, groceries/household needs
- Housing Support Program: housing search, temporary accommodations while securing housing, landlord incentives, unit repairs to prevent evictions, up to 6 months of utility assistance while accessing benefits
 - Service provider bills Medicaid under existing unbundled services; program pays the balance
- Fidelity monitoring
- Outplacement to other programs – State Housing Authority provides preference for vouchers

Budget

\$26,000,000 in 2023

Households Served

2,060 currently enrolled; 5,500 have been served since inception.

There is no waitlist although some vouchers are returned due to inability to secure housing

Additional Information

<https://dbhdd.georgia.gov/be-dbhdd/be-supported/supportive-housing-services>

Other Examples

<https://www.tacinc.org/resource/state-funded-housing-assistance-programs>