

L.A. Family Housing Housing Resource Center

Housing Stability Program

The program increases the capacity of L.A. Family Housing to effectively re-house shelter clients in permanent affordable housing and ensure their long-term housing stability. Staffed by two Housing Stability Coordinators, the program **assists families and individuals in securing and retaining permanent affordable housing** through the following:

- researching available units in the community
- outreach to landlords to build network of units for resource bank
- assist with preparation of Section 8 applications
- follow up supportive services with residents and case management
- tenant/landlord mediation to prevent eviction

Tenant Services Program

Established this past year, the program defines and delivers appropriate **services that bridge resident needs from shelter client to affordable housing tenant**. Services available to our tenants include:

- after-school tutoring
- financial literacy programs
- child care
- legal aid
- health services
- employment assistance
- vocational training
- resource referrals to local community organizations

Homeless prevention and retention services are overseen by the Tenant Services Coordinator, responsible for providing tenants with information about and access to local services designed to assist them in achieving their identified goals, including ongoing permanent housing.

Outcomes

In 2007, **85 families** and **143 single adults** secured permanent affordable housing, and an average of **81%** have remained housed and stable.

With increased staffing at the Housing Resource Center in 2008, LAFH is on course to place even more families and individuals in permanent housing this year. Since January 1, 2008, **98 families** and **99 single adults** have secured housing, and an average of **93%** have remained housed and stable.