

# NAVIGATING SHP

*Making it work for you!*

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# What we're going to cover:

- The Basics of an SHP Grant
- Review the 3 SHP Goals
- How to get credit for your clients success & tips of the trade!
- Chronic Homeless – it's HUD's goal even if it isn't yours....how do you report it...



A look at homelessness...  
According to the McKinney  
definition of homelessness

# A look at homelessness...

## Stewart B. McKinney definition

1. an individual who lacks a fixed, regular, and adequate nighttime residence; and
  2. an individual who has a primary nighttime residence that is
    1. a supervised publicly or privately operated shelter designed to provide temporary living accommodations (including welfare hotels, congregate shelters, and transitional housing for the mentally ill);
    2. an institution that provides a temporary residence for individuals intended to be institutionalized; or
    3. a public or private place not designed for, or ordinarily used as, a regular sleeping accommodation for human beings.
- Exclusion -- the term "homeless" or "homeless individual" does not include any individual imprisoned or otherwise detained pursuant to an Act of the Congress or a State law

What can funding be used for

Three grants:

- SUPPORTIVE HOUSING PROGRAM (SHP)
- SHELTER PLUS CARE (SPC)
- SECTION 8 – SRO FOR THE HOMELESS (SRO)



# SHP

- Transitional Housing for new transitional housing programs for the Homeless
- Permanent Housing for DISABLED homeless.
- Services only.

# SHP Grant Categories

*Pick One*

1. Transitional Housing
2. Permanent Housing for Persons with Disabilities
3. Supportive Services Only
4. Safe Haven
5. Innovative Supportive Housing
6. Homeless Management Information System

# SHP Funding May Be Used For:

## Supportive Services

- Almost any service is eligible as long as it touches the homeless client directly. (Examples: outreach, child care, job training, case management, health care, education, vocational rent deposits, MH care, SA treatment, budgeting...)
- Not eligible –
  - Supervisor -- Desks/computers – office telephone, supplies – office meeting space – staff training.

Requires a 25% CASH match of SHP funds:

For every \$100 of HUD funds the applicant must provide \$25 in supportive services (=\$125)

# SHP Funding May Be Used For:

## Operating

- Building operating expenses (maintenance/repair, operating staff, utilities, equipment, supplies, insurance, food, relocation, furnishings)
- No rent/mortgage payment for your building.
- Rent
- MAY NOT BE USED FOR A SERVICES ONLY GRANT.

SHP Request may not exceed 75% of the Total operating budget

If the total budget is \$100,000 HUD SHP could pay for \$75,000

# What Does HUD Score

- Organizational Structure – 8 points
- Housing & Service Needs – 12 points
- Strategic Planning – 10 points
- Performance – 18 points
- Emphasis on Housing – 12 points

# Samaritan Housing Initiative Bonus Funding

- Special incentive to promote permanent supportive housing for the chronically homeless (15% of the pro rata need)
  - New permanent housing programs only (SHP, S+C, or SRO)
  - Limited to serving chronically homeless
  - No more than 20% may be used for services (i.e. case management).

# SHP Goals

- Remember this is HUD
- Though you may have your own goals for your clients/program – you must pay attention to the HUD goals.
- Outcomes matter!

## Goal #1

Obtain or  
remain in  
permanent  
housing

- ◆ The # moving from transitional to permanent housing = 61%
- ◆ The # remaining in permanent housing for 6 months = 71%

References: Housing History & Housing Check List

## Goal #2

Increase their  
skills and/or  
income

- ◆ 11% increase in employment
- ◆ Increase in benefits assistance

## Goal #3

Achieve greater  
self-determination.

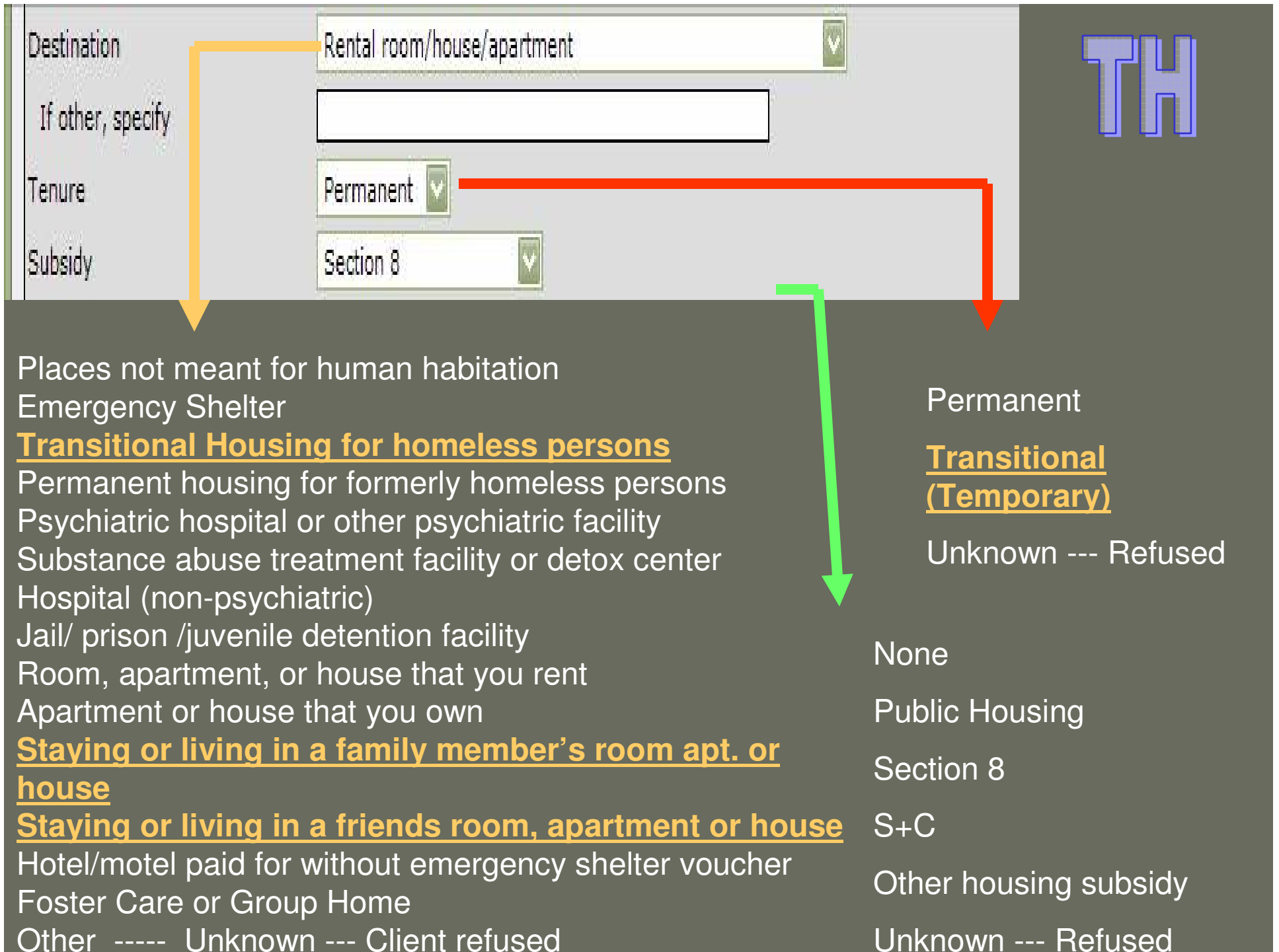
# OUTCOME

## Transitional Housing

- Transitional Housing for Homeless Persons

# STRATEGIES AND TECHNIQUES FOR **Keeping folks housed!**

- ▶ Housing placement counts.
- ▶ Engage residents & provide *supportive* case management/services.
- ▶ Foster support relationships within the housing.
- ▶ Involving tenants in the decision-making process
- ▶ Connecting tenants to the neighborhood and the larger environment.
- ▶ Promoting positive behavior within the residence
- ▶ Amenities!



# OUTCOME

## Permanent Housing



Rental house or apartment (no subsidy)



Public Housing



Section 8



Shelter Plus Care



HOME subsidized house or apartment



Other subsidized house or apartment



Homeownership



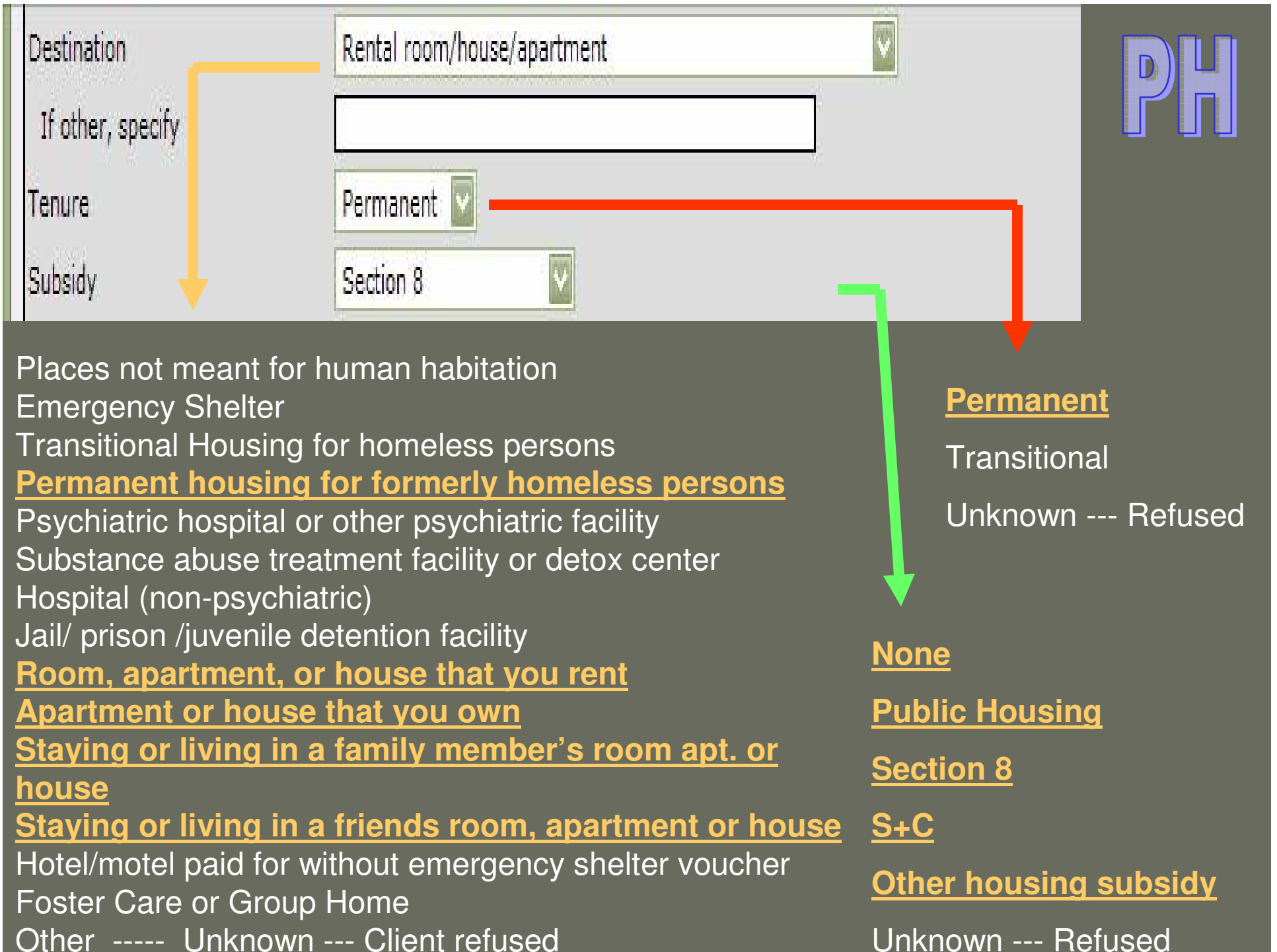
Moved in with family or friends

As shown on the HUD: Annual Progress Report (APR)

# STRATEGIES AND TECHNIQUES FOR Encouraging permanent housing!

- ▶ Create a culture that supports and reinforces transition.
- ▶ Provide the opportunity to dream/vision housing.
- ▶ Provide a housing assessment at entry and begin work on permanent housing from the start of the transitional housing program residence. Deal with the obstacles!
- ▶ Provide supportive case-management
- ▶ Give case managers clear goals that *permanent housing* is the outcome of the agencies choice.

“The paradox of an effective transitional program is that its greatest strength – creating a warm, engaging environment where residents feel respected and safe – can also be its downfall. Residents may not want to leave. Residents must first experience a sense that safe, secure housing is possible.” - CSH



# OUTCOME INCOME!!!

- Supplemental Security Income (SSI)
- Social Security Disability Income (SSDI)
- Social Security
- General Public Assistance
- Temp. Asst. to Needy Families (TANF)
- Veterans Benefits
- **Employment Income**
- Unemployment Benefits
- Other (e.g. Child Support)
- NO Financial Resources (\$)

# Income at Intake/Exit - NonCash

- Veterans Health Care
- SCHIP – State Children’s Health Ins. Pgm.
- Medicaid
- Food Stamps
- Other

*News Flash...* if you get TANF you probably have Medicaid & Food Stamps!

# Chronic Homelessness

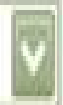
A chronically homeless person is an unaccompanied individual who is sleeping on the streets or in a shelter and has been homeless for **longer than a year or more than four times in three years** and has a disabling condition.

Chronic Homelessness

### Homeless Information

Type of Living Situation

Jail, Prison or Juvenile Facility (HUD)



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Length of Stay

More than one week, but less than one month (HUD)



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Is Client Homeless?

Yes



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Is Client Chronically Homeless?

Yes



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QUESTIONS  
ANSWERS  
DISCUSSION

