Supporting Families
“Working with families, we help provide them with housing and supportive services”

Funding Statement
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Family Preservation Program:
Serving and supporting families by providing sixteen 2 and 3-bedroom apartments in New Bedford.

A permanent housing program
**What is FPP?**

FPP provides safe and supportive housing to parents who are homeless, have a disability, and who often need assistance reunifying with their children.

In addition, FPP provides comprehensive case management services with the family goal to establish self-sufficiency and greater self-determination.

Families are afforded dignity and respect as they move to self-reliance.

**The Process**

**Referrals**

Referrals are accepted from a variety of sources including, but not limited to the Department of Children and Families, recovery homes, transitional homes, community support programs, and from outpatient therapists.

Referrals can be made by contacting our office: 508-991-7487.

**Services**

FPP provides comprehensive services to families. Our case managers visit clients regularly to assess needs and progress. Participants actively collaborate with their case manager to create an Individualized Service Plan that prioritizes the needs and goals of the family.

FPP maintains relationships with local agencies and refers our participants to appropriate resources as needed.

Reunification of parents with their children often requires assistance and support. FPP, therefore, works closely with both the Department of Children and Families and local probate courts.

**Who Qualifies?**

⇒ Must meet the HUD definition of “homeless” and provide a Homeless Certification Form;

⇒ Must meet the HUD definition of “disabled” and is able to provide required disability documentation;

⇒ Must be medically and psychiatrically stable and capable of self-care;

⇒ Must have custody of child/children or pending custody of child/children;

⇒ Must be drug and alcohol-free for six months or longer;

⇒ Must complete the application process to determine eligibility and appropriateness.

Reunifying children and parents