

Division: <u>Basic Needs Services</u>
Department: <u>Housing (Families Homelessness Prevention Program) - School Based</u>
Case Manager: Quiana Rapier – Community Advocates Office: (414) 290-7715 Fax: (414) 875-2010

Families Homelessness Prevention Program

<u>Program Description</u>: Families Homelessness Prevention Program/SIEMER is a case management program for families who are experiencing homelessness or housing instability [due to foreclosure, inability to pay rent, domestic violence (or other victimizing) occurrences, or residing in a unit that has been deemed uninhabitable/unfit for human habitation]. The program seeks to assist families with securing and/or maintaining safe, suitable, and affordable housing- with an emphasis on maintaining low student mobility. The family receives a maximum of 6 months case management services. If additional services are needed families are connected with other support services within Community Advocates.

Eligibility Criteria:

- Referral
- Family with minor school-aged children (ages 18 and under)
- Ongoing income to maintain housing
- Proof of Need (Homeless or at risk)

Intake Process:

- 1. Referral Completed/Submitted by referring party and is received by Case Manager.
- 2. Case Manager meets the prospective client for review of the referral and an assessment interview.
- 3. Prospective client is notified of needed documentation.
- 4. Case is staffed, assigned, and client is enrolled or notified of non-enrollment.
- 5. Case Managers will notify the family/client of approval status and/or further steps needed.
- 6. Client and Case Manger will meet to discuss eligibility, rules, and responsibilities of each.
- 7. Client Service Plan is completed (individualized/client service plan, service contract, needs assessment, explanation of case management and the family contract).
- Case Manager will schedule a habitability inspection with the client or landlord (if new residency).
- 9. Landlord will complete needed documentation (W-9, Lead Disclosure, proof od residency, intent to rent).
- 10. Case Management begins (1-2 home visits will be completed each month-depending on need, determined by the case manager).
- 11. Case Manager will coordinate additional support as needed (DNS, Health Department, Energy Assistance, etc.).



Referral for Case Management Assessment Name: ______ Contact Phone Number: ______ Circle Best Time to Call: 9-11am 11am-1pm 1pm-3pm 3pm-5pm Referred By: Contact Number: _____ Ext: ____ School Name: At Least One Child Attends this School: YES NO You will hear from a case manager within 1-2 business days from the time this referral is received. If you have any questions in the meantime you may contact Community Advocates at (414) 449-4777. Ext. 5415 Return via Fax to: (414) 875-2010 or E-Scan to: HousingCM@communityadvocates.net Attention: Quiana Rapier DO NOT WRITE BELOW THIS LINE DO NOT WRITE BELOW THIS LINE DO NOT WRITE BELOW THIS LINE FOR COMMUNITY ADVOCATES CASE MANAGER TO COMPLETE: Date/Time Received: _____ at ____ am / pm Received By: Method Received: Other: _____ Email (E-scan) Fax (Specify) Date Assessment/Intake Completed: Outcome Notes:



Families Homelessness Prevention Program Referral Checklist

Referrals for case management services can be sent to Community Advocates' Housing Case Managers via fax or email:

Fax #: (414) 875-2010

Email: HousingCM@communityadvocates.net

or

<u>DLovelace@communityadvocates.net</u> LFaulds@communityadvocates.net

QRapier@communityadvocates.net- MPS/Community School Referrals

Cases will be staffed accordingly

In addition to a referral please be advised that the following information may be requested by the case manager during follow up.

Including, but not limited to:

- Proof of Need (5-day notice, Placard (Vacate) Order, Health Department Request for Permanent Relocation, Writ of Assistance for Foreclosure, Domestic Violence-Temporary Restraining order, etc.)
- Income Verification
- School Documentation verifying enrollment
- Copy of Government Issued ID- Head of Household and members over 18 years +
- Social Security cards/numbers
- Homeless Certification (if homeless)

Background Check Information if available:

http://wcca.wicourts.gov

http://query.municourt.milwaukee.gov