

# Projects for Assistance in Transitioning from Homelessness (PATH)

PATH helps people who struggle with mental illness and are experiencing homelessness identify housing options and access community resources.

PATH workers are committed to street and community outreach. We strive to build a rapport within the homeless population and partner with several community-based agencies with housing programs to best serve our clients.

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## PATH SERVICES

- Assistance with housing applications
- Budgeting assistance
- Assist with obtaining benefits
- Assist with securing financial aid
- Identify community resources
- Assist in obtaining needed documentation (*birth certificate, IDs*)
- Intensive case management
- Assist with obtaining prescribed medications
- Street outreach
- Partner with local agencies to ensure continuity of care
- Advocacy services

PATH provides follow-up services up to 90 days after individuals are housed to ensure stability in their new home.

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## CLIENT ELIGIBILITY

- Meet criteria for a serious mental illness
- All insurances accepted, including no insurance
- Meet U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development definition of homeless (*shelter or street homeless*), or at imminent risk of homelessness:
  - Individuals staying in shelters
  - Individuals staying on the streets or in places not designed for human habitation (*e.g., abandoned buildings, vehicle, train station, encampment*)
  - Individuals who have received an eviction notice
  - Individuals who are trading sex for housing
- Currently staying within Sangamon County
- Individuals who are staying with support persons, but cannot stay there for longer than 14 days
- Individuals who are being trafficked
- Individuals who left home because of physical, emotional or financial abuse or threats of abuse and have no safe, alternative housing

*\*PATH does NOT have housing to provide.*