



Housing Resources to Achieving Stable Housing Outcomes and Improved Access to Care

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Mission

- **Housing as a base from which to receive care**
National Commission on AIDS, 1992
- **The first step to better health -- is a roof over your head**
Housing resident, Chicago HOPWA




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U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development

HUD is the nation's housing agency committed to increasing homeownership, particularly among minorities, creating affordable housing opportunities for low-income Americans, and supporting the homeless, elderly, people with disabilities, and people living with AIDS. The Department also promotes economic and community development as well as enforces the nation's fair housing laws.

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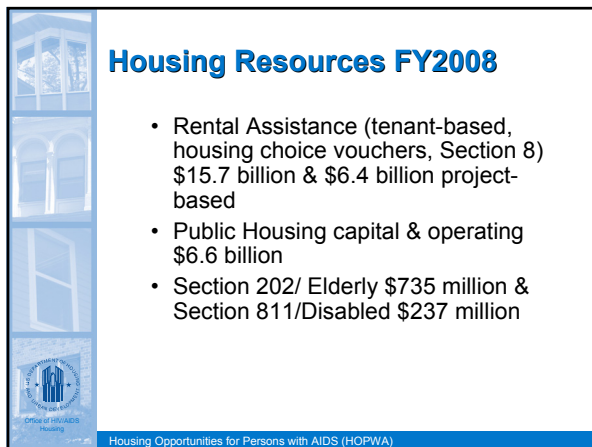
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HUD Strategic Goals

- Increase Homeownership Opportunities**
- Promote Decent Affordable Housing**
 - The number of rental households and rental housing units assisted.
- Strengthen Communities**
 - The percentage of HOPWA clients who maintain housing stability, avoid homelessness, and access care increases through the use of annual resources, with the goal of reaching 80% by 2008.
- Ensure Equal Opportunity in Housing**

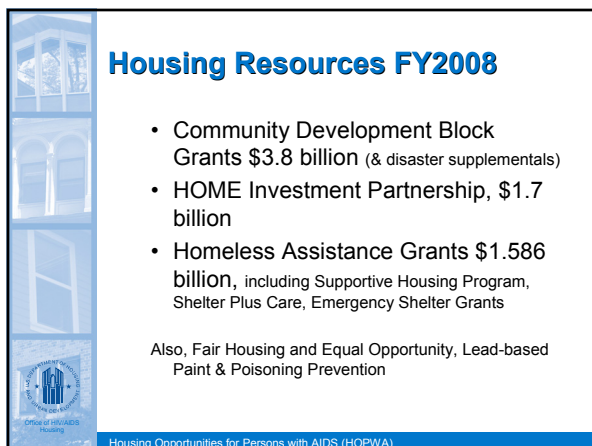
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Housing Resources FY2008

- Rental Assistance (tenant-based, housing choice vouchers, Section 8) \$15.7 billion & \$6.4 billion project-based
- Public Housing capital & operating \$6.6 billion
- Section 202/ Elderly \$735 million & Section 811/Disabled \$237 million

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Housing Resources FY2008

- Community Development Block Grants \$3.8 billion (& disaster supplementals)
- HOME Investment Partnership, \$1.7 billion
- Homeless Assistance Grants \$1.586 billion, including Supportive Housing Program, Shelter Plus Care, Emergency Shelter Grants

Also, Fair Housing and Equal Opportunity, Lead-based Paint & Poisoning Prevention

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HOPWA Resources FY2008

- Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS
 - \$300.1 million
 - 67,850 low-income households assisted with housing support
 - Targeted eligibility on HIV/AIDS

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Partnerships in Service Delivery


121 HOPWA formula grantees (States/cities) rely on 787 project sponsors

103 active competitive grants with 83 project sponsors

Involves a number of faith-based community organizations, with over 40% of projects receiving less than \$100,000

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HOPWA Eligible Activities

- Facility-Based Assistance
 - Activities associated with the construction, acquisition, rehabilitation, conversion, repair, or lease of facilities to provide housing to HOPWA-eligible households.
- Tenant-Based Rental Assistance
 - A monthly housing subsidy provided to an individual for use on the open rental market. The subsidy pays the difference between the FMR (or other rent standard) and the tenant's contribution (e.g. 30% of adjusted net income).

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Activities (cont.)

- Short-Term Rent, Mortgage, and Utility Assistance (STRMU)
 - A limited housing payment provided to homeowners and renters to prevent homelessness. Grantees may provide assistance for rent, mortgage, or utilities for a period of up to 21 weeks in any 52-week period.
- Short-Term Supported Housing
 - Short-term / Emergency housing facilities that provide temporary shelter.


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Related Activities

- Services which complement the provision of housing assistance to beneficiaries, e.g.
 - Health (uncompensated costs; subject to limitations)
 - Mental Health
 - Assessment & Case Management
 - Drug and Alcohol Abuse Treatment and Counseling
 - Day Care
 - Personal Assistance
 - Nutritional Services
 - Intensive Care (when required)
 - Assistance in Other Federal/State/Local Benefits and Services.


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Related Activities (cont.)

- Housing Information Services
 - Information and referral services to assist eligible persons with locating, acquiring, financing, and maintaining housing.
- Permanent Housing Placement
 - Expenditures that help establish eligible persons in a housing unit where ongoing occupancy is expected to continue (e.g., application fees, credit checks, and reasonable security deposits).
- Resource Identification
 - Activities to identify, coordinate, and develop housing assistance resources for eligible persons.
- Administrative costs (3% grantee/7% sponsor)

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Measuring Performance

- Collecting, sharing and evaluating results of program achievements in assisting special needs
- Assess needs and plans in using resources for affordable and appropriate housing as part of area Consolidated Plans w. Citizen participation
- Undertake community collaborations for accessing health-care and other public resources
- Guide project adjustments to better meet identified needs, target technical assistance

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Assessment of Housing Status

- **Permanent/stable housing arrangements** in place & not likely to use more short-term support
- **Temporary housing situations/avoids homelessness**, but likely to need more support
- **Unstable situations**, when former clients are known to be homeless, in jail or disconnected from efforts

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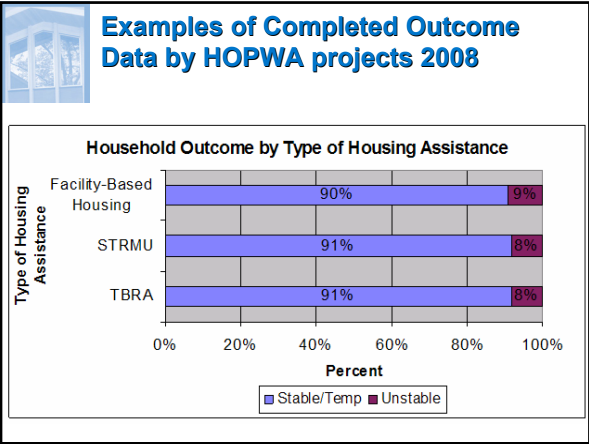


HOPWA Performance Indicators

- **Housing Outputs:** Number of rental assistance households & rental housing units
- **Client Outcomes:** Percentage of clients who maintain housing stability, reduce risks of homelessness, and improve access to care
 - Measured on the goal of reaching at least 80 percent by 2008

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Costs per household

Average Annual Household Costs


Rental Assistance	\$4,463
Facility-Based Assistance	\$5,636
Short-Term Assistance	\$838

HOPWA program data 2008

Short-Term Rent, Mortgage and Utility Support with long-term results

Differentiate outcomes depending on assessment of client's ongoing housing status situation, with temporary support.


- Other private housing, without subsidy
- Likely to maintain current housing arrangement, with additional support
- Transitional facilities/ Short-Term shelter



Access to Care

- Connections between housing stability and access to support
- Emphasis on individual housing and service plan for ascertaining contact with case manager/ primary health care provider.
- Meaningful differences in having sources of income, medical insurance and assistance


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Access to Care Indicators

- Has a housing plan for maintaining or establishing stable on-going housing.
- Has contact with case manager/benefits counselor consistent with the schedule specified in client's individual service plan.
- Had contact with a primary health care provider consistent with the schedule specified in client's individual service plan.
- Has accessed and can maintain medical insurance/assistance.
- Successfully accessed or maintained qualification for sources of income.


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Upcoming

- Reports on the HUD-CDC Health and Housing Study and other research
- Review of Return on Investment proposals, HOPWA FY2008 competition

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Web Resources:

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HOPWA information and documents

HUDHRE.info
Homelessness Resource Exchange library

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