

Adult Protective Services

Home Safe Program

BACKGROUND

The number of people experiencing homelessness or at risk of homelessness is not limited to Los Angeles County. Assembly Bill (AB) 1811 (Chapter 35, Statutes of 2018) created the Home Safe Program to support the safety and housing stability of individuals involved in Adult Protective Services (APS) by providing housing-related assistance using evidence-based practices for homeless assistance and prevention.

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Prevention Services

The APS Home Safe Program includes **short term** prevention services such as housing stabilization, housing search & placement, income stabilization, landlord mediation & advocacy, legal advocacy, and reunification/relocation assistance. When appropriate, financial assistance may include security deposit, rental assistance, utilities assistance, move-in expenses, essential furnishing expenses, or reunification/relocation expenses among other services.

Eligibility

Applicants must be an APS client experiencing a financial crisis and at imminent **risk** of becoming homeless by meeting **one** of the following criteria:

- Rent burdened - paying 30% or more of income in rent, **and** presents any of the following financial crises:
 - Receipt of a rental increase that the client cannot afford.
 - At least one month behind on rent or utilities if they are tied to the unit.
 - Foregoing food and /or medicine to use their money for rent.
 - Received a court eviction hearing notice or court-oriented eviction (Unlawful Detainer) **or** has received written notice of intent to terminate tenancy from a landlord (includes 3-day pay or quit)
- and**
- Lacking family and financial resources, placing one at risk of becoming homeless
 - Screened by the Prevention Program provider and determined at risk of becoming homeless.

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