

*City of Toledo & Toledo Lucas County Homelessness Board
Homelessness Prevention and Rapid Re-Housing Program:*

(Community Alliances & Strategic Efforts)

CASE • HPRP

As part of the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) of 2009, the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) instituted the Homelessness Prevention and Rapid Re-Housing Program (HPRP) providing funds to eligible applicants with financial assistance and services to either prevent individuals and families from becoming homeless or help those who are experiencing homelessness to be quickly re-housed and stabilized.

The local HPRP effort in Toledo/Lucas County is a joint effort of the City of Toledo and the Toledo Lucas County Homelessness Board (TLCHB.) This partnership is hereafter referred to as the CASE-HPRP. In addition to the City of Toledo and TLCHB, five agencies are contract and/or memorandum service partners in the project: United Way 211, EOPA, FOCUS, Lutheran Social Services, Toledo Area Ministries, and Lucas County TASC.

The City of Toledo received 3.2M and Lucas County received \$722,500 administered by TLCHB. The project will end no later than September 1, 2012 and estimates preventing homelessness for 400-600 households and housing 125 homeless households over the life of the grant. The project fully launched in January 2010.

CASE-HPRP at-a-glance

More than 1,575 households have been screened for HPRP /

703 referred: 326 households (40 homeless); almost half are children under age of 17;
1/3 single female-headed HH

Approximately: 1/3 had earned income including 10% unemployment

Over \$580,000 direct financial assistance granted.

HPRP funds must target individuals and families who would be homeless **but for** the HPRP assistance and who will be able **to maintain** housing once assistance is ended.

HOMELESSNESS PREVENTION includes rental & utility payment assistance and services designed to prevent individuals and families from becoming homeless.

RAPID RE-HOUSING provide rental assistance and services for households that are currently homeless, but are likely to sustain housing after the subsidy ends.

HPRP funding is intended to provide temporary assistance. Need is assessed every 3 months and cannot exceed 18 months.

HPRP has presented a unique opportunity to further the goals of the "Toledo Lucas County Community Alliances and Strategic Efforts to Prevent, Reduce and End Homelessness" (CASE Plan), focusing on meeting the long-term needs of the homeless person or family, with a goal of ending homelessness and creating housing stability.

Specifically, CASE-HPRP includes the **Centralized Intake Process, Coordinated Case Management** and **Housing Resource Center** among partner agencies initiatives. These along with the required Homeless Information System Management data collection process requirement will help shape delivery of homelessness prevention and homeless services well into the future.

CASE-HPRP MANAGEMENT

Implementation Team

Former initial community planning team, this team defined project parameters and will meet periodically to review project and if required make major adjustments to it.

Department of Neighborhoods (DON); Toledo Lucas County Homelessness Board (TLCHB); Toledo Lucas County Veterans Service Commission; Lucas County Jobs and Family Service; Lucas County Workforce Investment Board; The Source; (United Way & EOPA)

City of Toledo – Department of Neighborhoods

As a primary grantee and fiscal agent, DON performs oversight and monitoring, executes contracts, cuts financial assistance payments, and with TLCHB Homeless Management Information System (HMIS) submits federal reports

Lucas County – Toledo Lucas County Homelessness Board

As an Ohio Department of Development HPRP- sub-grantee, TLCHB performs oversight and monitoring of ODOD HPRP funds, authorizes and executes financial transactions, with TLCHB Homeless Management Information System (HMIS) submits all required reports

Managers Team - *Made up of HUD HPRP grantee (City of Toledo) and ODOD HPRP sub-grantee (TLCHB) this team meets regularly to review, advise and approve project procedures, referring items as necessary to the Implementation Team*

Project Manager – TLCHB - *Manages project implementation and oversees program team, agency team and service delivery, reporting to and making recommendations as needed to Managers Team*

Program Team - *Made up of management representatives of project's major components - Centralized Intake, Case Management Supervision Lead, HPRP HMIS, and DON, this team meets regularly to review and implement program delivery elements and recommend as needed program revisions to Managers Team*

Service Team - *Key line staff from partner agencies: Economic Opportunity and Planning Association, FOCUS, Lucas County TASC, Lutheran Social Services, Toledo Area Ministries, United Way 211 meets weekly under supervision and guidance of Case Management Supervision. Case Management is gateway for housing services and fund requests. Case Management Supervision final approval of request*

Agency Team – *Directors of partner agencies meet quarterly to review interagency relationships, the impact of CASE-HPRP on agencies and make recommendations to program and managers team to amend and improve process to assure successful collaboration.*