

Addressing Homelessness in FY12 and beyond



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Proposed Housing First System FY12

- Eligibility unchanged
 - Benefits tailored to major caseload sectors
 - Self-sufficiency
- Dedicated Young Families program
- Emergency Shelter for Emergency cases
- Rapid & Flexible rental assistance for the rest
 - Short term transition to housing
 - Declining benefit

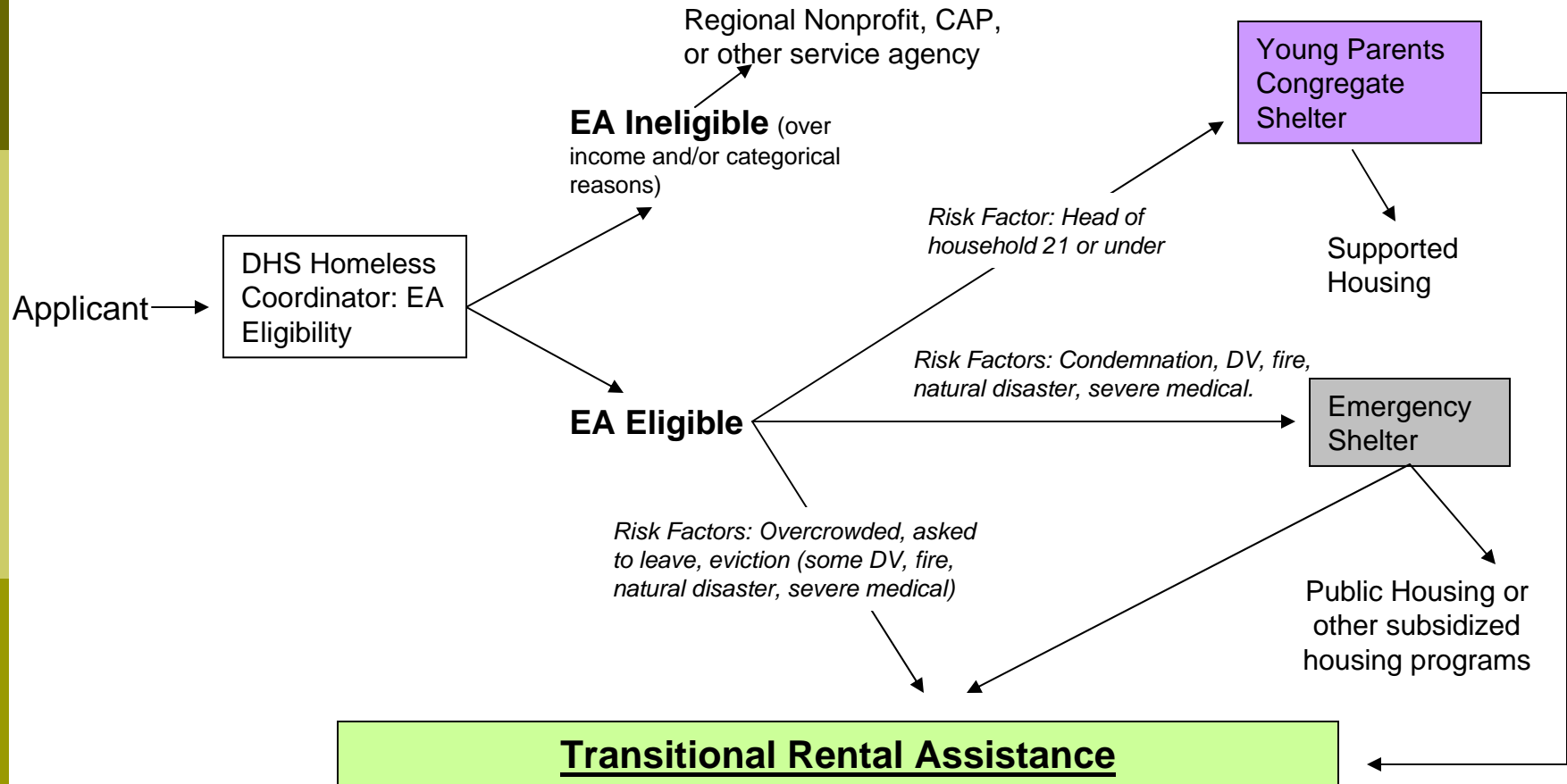
Introduction to Self-Sufficiency

1. Increase Income
2. Master basic household budgeting and bank relationships
3. Invest in basic educational attainment
4. Advance school enrollment for all children
5. Promote good tenancies through lease compliance

Migration to Housing First

- Past: Everyone to shelter until long-term subsidy awarded
 - 8+ month LOS
- Plan to End Homelessness: Introduced Prevention/Diversion/interim rental assistance and Housing Stabilization
 - 4-8 month LOS
- Housing First
 - Up to 60% of caseload avoids shelter

FY12 System Response



Evolving System

□ From Shelter to ReHousing

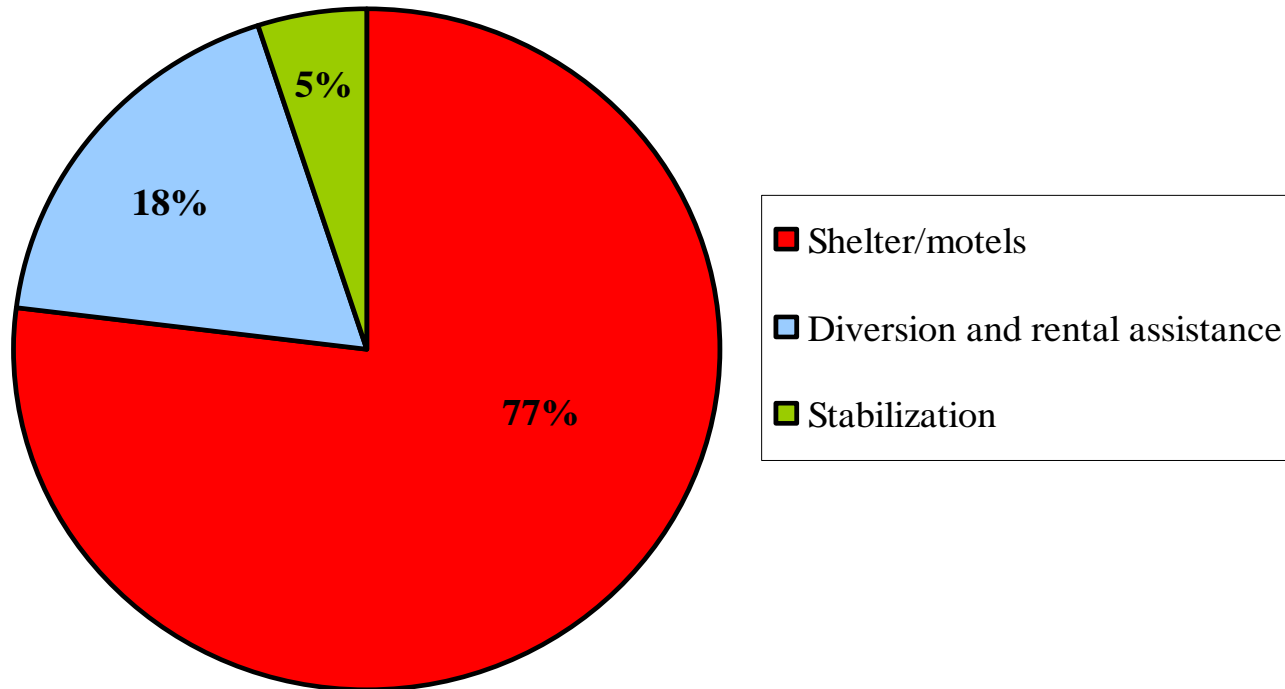
- Networks Coordinated statewide via Interagency Council on Housing and Homelessness

□ Building out Housing Stability

- Shelter providers as Stabilization workers
- Asset Developers join the system
- New Housing Options

Resource Allocation

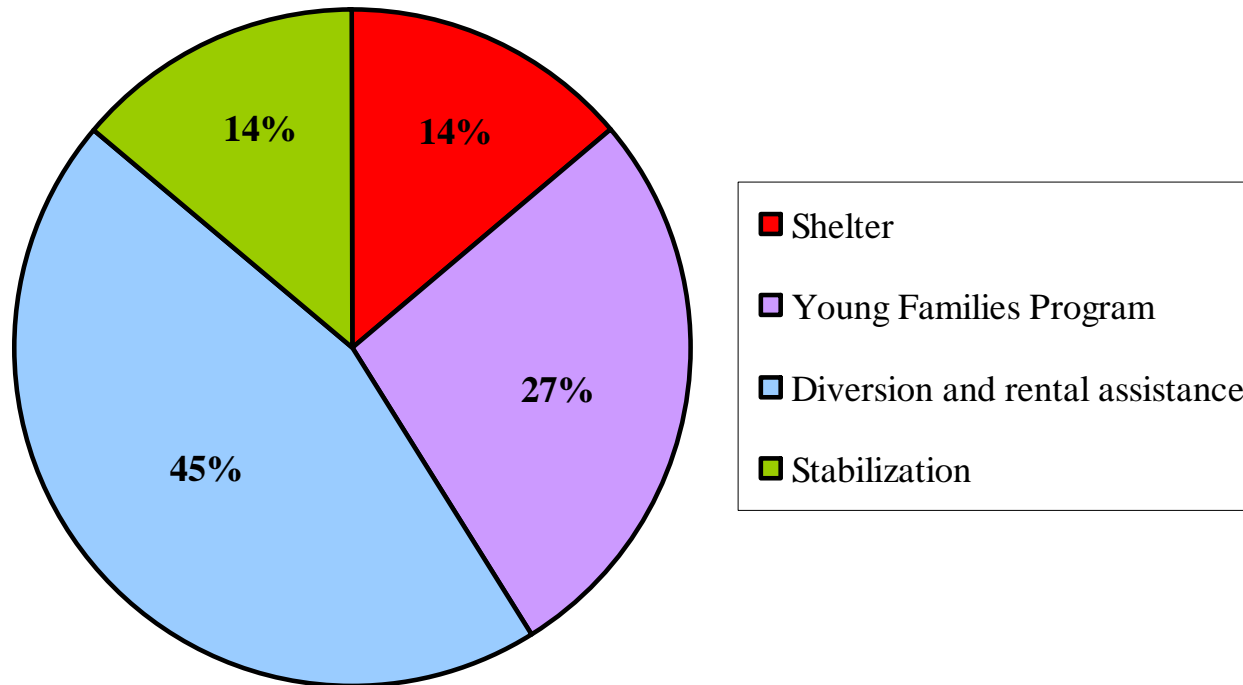
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Benefit Summary

- Manage transition from temporary resources – Flex Funds and HPRP
- Meet the challenges of very high demand with limited public resources
 - Over 7,000 families may be served in FY12
- Leverage the strengths of all key stakeholders committed to housing ELI families
- Introduce a path to Self-Sufficiency for all families