



# ARE YOU STRUGGLING TO PAY YOUR RENT AND UTILITIES? HAVE YOU RECENTLY BECOME HOMELESS?

## HOMELESSNESS PREVENTION AND RAPID RE-HOUSING (HPRP) FUNDS ARE AVAILABLE TO ELIGIBLE DOUGLAS COUNTY RESIDENTS.

The purpose of HPRP is to provide housing support services to stabilize families during the economic recession. There are two parts to HPRP – the first is **Homelessness Prevention**, which is designed to provide rental and utility assistance to households which would otherwise become homeless. The second component is **Rapid Re-Housing** which provides assistance to rapidly re-house persons and families who are experiencing homelessness. This program is intended to help stabilize families *who would be homeless but for this assistance*. HPRP provides temporary financial assistance and services as a bridge to help people gain long-term housing stability.

The City of Lawrence has received a grant for \$648,000 from the Department of Housing and Urban Development for the Homelessness Prevention and Rapid Re-Housing (HPRP) Program through the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009. The Lawrence-Douglas County Housing Authority is administering the program on behalf of the City of Lawrence.



### WHO IS ELIGIBLE?

Applicants who can demonstrate that **they will be homeless but for this assistance**, meet the minimum requirements outlined below, and can demonstrate that they will be stabilized in housing by this assistance may be found eligible. Eligibility is also determined by criteria set in the Homeless Management Information System.

#### Minimum Requirements:

- All applicants must be Douglas County residents.
- Applicants MUST be under 50 % area median income for Douglas County.
- Criminal and credit background checks will be performed on all applicants – applicants who are registered sex offenders or have been convicted of the distribution or production of methamphetamine are INELIGIBLE.
- Federal housing guidelines and regulations apply to all applicants for Homelessness Prevention and Rapid Re-housing assistance as with all programs administered by the Lawrence-Douglas County Housing Authority.
- Must be in a housing situation that meets rent comparability standards for the area to receive assistance.



Applications are available at 1600 Haskell Avenue or at [www.ldcha.org](http://www.ldcha.org).

Questions? Call the HPRP office at 785-842-8110, extension 2420 or visit [www.ldcha.org](http://www.ldcha.org).



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