

Tenant-Based Rental Assistance Mobility Policy

Program participants receiving tenant-based rental assistance (TBRA) through Continuum of Care (CoC) program funds may choose housing outside of the CoC’s geographic area (the City of Pasadena) if the recipient or subrecipient is able to meet all of the CoC Program Requirements (see below) in the geographic area where the program participant chooses housing. The decision of a program participant to choose housing or move outside of the CoC’s geographic area should be one that is made in consultation between the program participant and the recipient or subrecipient.

This mobility provides the opportunity for persons who are experiencing homelessness to have access to additional housing options while still maintaining their TBRA from the recipient within the CoC where they were determined eligible for, and began receiving assistance. Within this framework, HUD anticipates that TBRA be principally used in the Pasadena CoC’s geographic area. Therefore, each recipient or subrecipient should not have more than 50% of its participants housed outside of the Pasadena CoC.

CO C PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS

If a program participant chooses housing outside of the CoC’s geographic area, the recipient or subrecipient is still required to comply with all CoC program requirements. These include:

- Ensuring the housing meets required safety and quality standards (ex. HQS)
- Carrying out environmental reviews where necessary
- Calculating the program participant’s income for determining rent contributions
- Conducting an annual assessment of the program participant’s service needs
- Making supportive services available for the duration of the program participant’s residence in the project
- Ensuring supportive services are provided in compliance with all State and local licensing codes
- Providing monthly case management in the case of Rapid Re-Housing (RRH) projects
- Ensuring the program participant remains in the Pasadena Homeless Management Information System (HMIS)

APPROVAL / DENIAL OF CLIENT MOBILITY REQUESTS

The only reason a CoC recipient or subrecipient may decline a program participant’s request to choose housing or move outside of the CoC’s geographic area is that the provider cannot reasonably meet all of the CoC Program Requirements. Thus, the City of Pasadena (recipient) has determined that the following cities / communities are eligible areas for TBRA mobility:

Altadena	Bradbury	La Cañada	Montebello	Sierra Madre	Sunland
Alhambra	Covina	Flintridge	Montrose	South El Monte	Temple City
Arcadia	Duarte	La Crescenta	North El Monte	South Pasadena	Tujunga
Azusa	El Monte	La Puente	Rosemead	South San Gabriel	West Covina
Baldwin Park	Glendale	Monrovia	San Gabriel		
Burbank	Irwindale	Monterey Park	San Marino		

In addition, the following Los Angeles neighborhoods are eligible areas for TBRA mobility:

El Sereno	Eagle Rock	Cypress Park	Boyle Heights	Downtown LA	Pico-Union
Highland Park	Glassell Park	Lincoln Heights	East LA	Westlake	Elysian Valley

TBRA for Subrecipients

Subrecipients receiving TBRA may determine a larger geographic area than listed above if they have good reason and can ensure all of the CoC Program Requirements are met. If a program participant’s request for mobility is declined, but the program participant believes the provider could have reasonably accommodated the request, the program participant may contact the CoC or HUD directly.