

Boston TPP Expansion Program Description

The Boston Tenancy Preservation Program (TPP)'s Expansion assists Eastern Housing Court tenants living outside of Boston who are at risk for eviction and homelessness. TPP helps preserve the tenants' housing and access community based services that will enhance the capacity of these adults and/or their children to stabilize their housing and retain or increase vocational and educational activities (as applicable). TPP is a Bay Cove Human Services Inc. (BCHSI) program. TPP staff are primarily housed in the Eastern Housing Court located in the Edward Brooke Courthouse in Boston. TPP staff are consultants to the Housing Court in regards to housing preservation, disability issues, and Reasonable Accommodation. TPP is available to the Housing Court staff daily for consultation and referrals, and takes referrals from all other parties as well, such as housing providers, legal services and service providers.

Those referred to TPP usually have received a Notice to Quit from their housing provider, and often have a scheduled court date for an eviction or similar matter. TPP is a homelessness prevention service that helps Eastern Housing Court tenants who have a disability and are impaired in their functioning to retain and stabilize their housing independently. As a service model, TPP has demonstrated effective practices for stabilizing these vulnerable adults and families statewide. TPP staff provide consultation services to individuals and families seeking assistance with housing and social service needs.

The eligibility for services is based on five criteria:

1. The individual or family is experiencing a housing issue and/or is in violation of the lease and has been requested by management to remedy this issue
2. The individual or family has evidence of a disability and/or an impairment that interferes with lease adherence
3. The individual or family lives in housing or has access to housing that is affordable for that person/family
4. The individual or family is willing to engage in services that address the housing issue and whenever possible increase the economic stability of the person or family
5. The individual or family reside in: Revere, Winthrop, Chelsea, Somerville, Medford, Arlington, Belmont, Cambridge, Newton, and Brookline.

Further information on TPP services is available from management staff or by contacting the TPP staff members listed below:

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