



THE CENTENNIAL BRIEFING



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Our mission is to achieve excellence in the provision of behavioral health services that lead to optimal health and well being

HOUSING HAPPENINGS

This time of the year seems to place a great demand on housing resources that are available in the communities we serve. What we find is that the need outpaces available resources, despite on-going collaboration with our community partners. Both non-emergent and emergency housing resources are sparse. For example, within the 10-county catchment area, there is one seasonal homeless shelter open from November - March, operated by a community partner. Outside of this option, Centennial housing staff can look to provide emergency shelter assistance through an approximate one week motel stay utilizing Centennial's time-limited Seasonal Assistance Fund. What we quickly learn is that sometimes with this assistance the problem does not get solved but rather it is like placing a temporary band-aid to a larger open wound that really needs further medical assistance.

The Housing Team, with the assistance of other Centennial staff, work to help the client in ending their housing crisis and reach their housing goals. Centennial has three basic categories within the Housing Department, programs that provide on-going rental assistance, programs that provide time-limited financial assistance and homeless outreach case management services through the Projects for Assistance in Transition from Homelessness (PATH) Program. Each program has specific eligibility criteria and all programs are offered to those residing in the 10-county catchment area.

Centennial's rental assistance programs include:

- Housing Choice Voucher (HCV) Program, also known as Section 8
- Housing Choice Voucher Homeownership Program
- State Housing Voucher Program for Justice Involved Persons
- Centennial's Fourth Street House, located in Sterling Centennial's time-limited financial assistance programs that maybe available to eligible household include:
 - Homeless Prevention Activity Program (HPAP), available year around
 - Centennial's Seasonal Assistance Fund, available October - March

With the exception of the HCV Program and the PATH Program, participants must be engaged in services of some sort through Centennial. PATH provides outreach and case management services to hard to reach homeless individuals with serious and persistent mental illness. Outreach is done to identify those persons in the community who are homeless for the purpose of connecting them to community mental health and substance use disorder services.

If a person does not qualify for one Centennial's Housing program, we always make referrals or offer other suggestions to other community resources.

To make a referral for Housing Services or for more information about one of the above listed Housing Programs please contact any of the housing staff via Housing@CentennialMHC.org distribution email.



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FEBRUARY NEW HIRES

MARCH ANNIVERSARIES



KRIS SCHELL
MHP II
School Based Services
Northeast



JOHN JOHNSON
MHP I
Crisis Transport
Northeast



DARREN MACKARAVITZ
MHP III
Central



5 YEARS
JULIE
SPRADLIN



3 YEARS
TAMARA
MCMAY



3 YEARS
JENNA
ROBINSON



3 YEARS
LAURA
YAHN



SANDY RIGGLE
MHP II
Housing/Supported
Employment
Northeast



KAYLA STEBAKKEN
MHP I
Northeast



SARAH WASHINGTON
MHP II - JBBS
Northeast



2 YEARS
CHERY
BEAUPREZ



2 YEARS
LEE
LINDSAY



1 YEAR
JULIE
ROBINSON



1 YEAR
ELLINA
BARAY



1 YEAR
JESUS
MARRUFO



1 YEAR
DANIELLE
STOREVIK



1 YEAR
NANCY
WASHBURN

It's Monday
don't forget to
Shine!

THANK YOU
to everyone for all your years of service and
for continuing to move lives forward!