



## Is this program right for me?

Have you experienced homelessness due to a change of circumstances or conditions in your life, such as the loss of a job, family member, or changes in your health? Have you been evicted or at-risk of eviction due to lack of financial resources, leaving you unable to pay rent on time? Have you experienced frequent housing instability, leading to recurring episodes of homelessness on the streets or in a shelter?

Do you have a substance use disorder or co-occurring disorders (substance use and mental health) and do they affect your ability to secure or retain housing?

If these are some of the challenges that you are facing today are you willing to make some changes and receive help?

Let the Next Step Home Program help you.

The Next Step Home  
506 North Main Street  
Fall River, MA 02720  
508-674-2788 x 113



### Leader in Behavioral Health and Homeless Services

#### Fall River Men's Residential Rehabilitation Service (RRS) Program

466 North Main St., Fall River, MA 02740  
508-617-4436

#### Transition House

542 North Main St., Fall River, MA 02720  
508-674-2788 x 118

#### Fall River Women's RRS Program

522 North Main St., Fall River, MA 02720  
508-674-2788 x 101

#### New Bedford Women's RRS Program

979 Pleasant St., New Bedford, MA 02740  
508-984-1880

#### Outpatient Clinic

279 North Main St., Fall River, MA 02720  
508-679-0033

#### William B. Webster Graduate Program

506 North Main St., Fall River, MA 02720  
508-674-2788 women x 101, men x 202

#### New Bedford Graduate Program

977 Pleasant St., New Bedford, MA 02740  
508-984-1880

#### Next Step Home

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#### First Step Inn Shelter

134 Durfee St., Fall River, MA 02720  
508-679-8001

#### Stone Residence

177 North Main St., Fall River, MA 02720  
508-675-4159

#### Welcome Home

5 Dover St., Ste 207, New Bedford, MA 02740  
508-984-7514

#### Home First

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## Next Step Home

### A Permanent Supportive Housing Program

Serving Chronically Homeless Individuals and Families in Fall River, Massachusetts



## What can I expect if I participate in the program?

Next Step Home provides 40 scattered-site apartments to disabled homeless and chronic homeless individuals and families residing in the City of Fall River.

Participants are assisted with developing support systems and necessary skills to be self-sufficient. Available supportive services include case management and assistance with connecting to behavioral health treatment, securing employment, obtaining entitlements, and developing living and coping skills.

These skills, services, and supports empower participants so they experience housing stability and an improved quality of life.

*With the help of my case manager at Next Step Home I have been able to maintain my housing for the past 2 years. They have helped connect me to other resources needed to maintain my health and recovery.*

~ Wendy

## Who is eligible?

Eligible participants must be homeless or chronically homeless with a disabling condition, such as a substance use and/or mental health disorder or be a victim of domestic violence or have a HIV/AIDS diagnosis. Must be 18 years of age or older in Fall River, medically and psychologically stable, and willing to authorize a CORI check.

## How do I apply?

All referrals including those from social service agencies, addiction centers, and self-referrals, must go through Fall River's Coordinated Entry System, "The CALL", which can be reached by calling 1-800-HOMELESS.

If you meet the program criteria, an intake assessment will be conducted on site. Upon acceptance, a Housing Advocate will assist you to begin your apartment search.

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## What services are offered?

- Housing search and placement
- Advocacy with landlord/tenant resolution
- Subsidized rental assistance
- Comprehensive case management
- Crisis intervention
- Psycho-educational groups
- Relapse prevention groups
- Residential substance use treatment access
- Outpatient substance use and mental health treatment access
- Coordination of emergency and long-term psychiatric care
- Specialty services designed for those living with substance use and mental health disorders, HIV/AIDS, domestic violence trauma, and homelessness
- Referral to community-based collateral services, educational and vocational programs, medical care, domestic violence support and other forms of assistance