



## Home for Good Rental Subsidy (Updated August 2015)

### What is Home for Good?

- ✓ A rental subsidy program for individuals in the HOME Choice Program who are at high risk of homelessness due to a criminal background that limits their housing options.
- ✓ The subsidy can also pay for application fees, security deposits and utilities and can be used in conjunction with or as a supplement to Recovery Requires a Community.
- ✓ While not a permanent subsidy, there is no time limit that applies to the subsidy.
- ✓ Any landlord is eligible to apply for and receive the subsidy.
- ✓ Participants will be linked with community-based supportive services.
- ✓ Emerald Development and Economic Network, Inc. (EDEN) is the administrator of the program.

### Who is eligible?

- ✓ Individuals participating in the HOME Choice Program who have a mental illness or substance use disorder, as well as a criminal history, regardless of the offense.
- ✓ Individuals living in or returning to Cuyahoga or Hamilton County.
- ✓ Individuals with or without income. Participants with income must pay 30% of their monthly income for housing costs.

### How does it work?

- ✓ The HOME Choice Program participant and their Transition Coordinator complete relevant sections of the Home for Good Application\* and submit it to EDEN.
- ✓ The participant and their Transition Coordinator identify a landlord who is willing to apply for the subsidy. For a potential list of landlords visit [www.GoSection8.com](http://www.GoSection8.com).
- ✓ The landlord completes the Landlord Packet\* and submits application to EDEN.
- ✓ If the application is approved, the unit must pass an inspection before the tenant can move in and before the subsidy is paid to the landlord.

*\*Tenants and Landlords can obtain applications from EDEN, the Ohio Department of Medicaid (ODM) or the Corporation for Supportive Housing (CSH)*

**Refer to the Home for Good Policies and Procedures for additional guidelines**  
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