

## Other Steppingstone Programs

### Men's Treatment Program

466 North Main Street  
Fall River, MA 02720  
508-674-2788 x 102

### Women's Treatment Program

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

### Women's Treatment Program

979 Pleasant Street  
New Bedford, MA 02740  
508-984-1880

### Outpatient Treatment Program

542 North Main Street  
Fall River, MA 02720  
508-674-2788 x 120

### Next Step Home Program

506 North Main Street  
Fall River, MA 02720  
508 674-2788 x 213

### William B. Webster Graduate Program

506 North Main Street  
Fall River, MA 02720  
508-674-2788

### Transition House

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

### First Step Inn Emergency Shelter

175 North Main Street  
Fall River, MA 02720  
508-679-8001

### Stone Residence

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

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**The Graduate Program**  
Steppingstone, Inc.  
977 Pleasant Street  
New Bedford, MA 02740

# The New Bedford Graduate Program



**Steppingstone, Inc.**

A Supported  
Independent  
Living Program

Serving Chemically  
Dependent Homeless  
Women in New Bedford,  
Massachusetts





## Admission Criteria

The New Bedford Graduate Program provides homeless women with a supported independent living experience. To be considered for admission, an individual must meet the following criteria:

- 18 years of age or older
- Homeless in the City of New Bedford
- Must meet HUD's income guidelines
- Willing to authorize a CORI check, CORI report must be without warrants
- Alcohol and drug free
- Medically and psychologically stabilized

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## Population Served

- Individuals in need of housing and case management support
- Individuals with co-occurring substance abuse and mental health
- Individuals with histories of homelessness

## Services Offered

The Graduate Program offers transitional housing services for its participants for up to two years. Participants in the New Bedford Graduate Program receive the following services:

- Comprehensive case management
- Relapse prevention group sessions
- Individual substance abuse counseling
- Coping and parenting skills training
- Independent living skills training
- Employment training and placement assistance
- Health, wellness, and nutrition counseling
- Mental health treatment access
- 12 Step meetings and other AA/NA recovery related activities
- 24 hour crisis intervention services
- Structured recreational opportunities
- Referral to community-based collateral services, educational, medical care, domestic violence and other forms of assistance
- Housing placement assistance
- Discharge and aftercare planning

## Referral Process

Social service agencies are encouraged to refer eligible homeless individuals to the New Bedford Graduate Program at 508-984-1880.

- An Initial Referral Form must be completed by a service provider that will be reviewed by program staff for eligibility
- A face to face interview will be scheduled
- Once accepted, the appropriate referral will be placed on a waiting list if there are no immediate openings in the program

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## Major Funding Sources

- United States Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD)
- Massachusetts Department of Public Health Bureau of Substance Abuse Services
- City of New Bedford Office of Housing and Community Development