

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 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
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977 Pleasant Street
New Bedford, MA 02740

The New Bedford Graduate Program



A Supported
Independent
Living Program

Serving Chemically
Dependent Homeless
Women in New Bedford,
Massachusetts

Steppingstone, Inc.





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

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 individual will be placed on a waiting list if there are no immediate openings in the program

Major Funding Sources

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