



## 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 diagnosed with HIV/AIDS? 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 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 may be facing today, are you willing to make some changes and receive help?

Let Welcome Home help you.

Welcome Home  
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New Bedford, MA 02740  
508-984-7514



### Leader in Behavioral Health and Homeless Services

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

466 North Main St., Fall River, MA 02720  
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

506 North Main St., Fall River, MA 02720  
508-674-2788 x 113

#### 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

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#### Home First

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## Welcome Home

### A Permanent Supportive Housing Program

Serving Chronically Homeless  
Individuals and Families in New Bedford,  
Massachusetts



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

Welcome Home provides 15 units of scattered-site apartment housing to persons with an HIV/AIDS diagnosis who are chronically homeless in the City of New Bedford.

Participants may remain in Welcome Home apartments permanently with the goal to transition into independent living as they develop the necessary skills and support systems to be self-sufficient in the community. Supportive services are available to residents.

Services include assistance with connecting to behavioral health treatment and obtaining employment, entitlements, and parenting, living and coping skills, as well as finding independent housing prior to discharge.

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

*The Welcome Home program has given me the opportunity to piece together my life and focus on my health and well being. I am no longer homeless thanks to the help of my case manager and her advocacy*

*~Joshua*

## Who is eligible?

Eligible participants must have an HIV/AIDS diagnosis, be 18 years of age or older and chronically homeless in New Bedford, medically and psychologically stable and willing to authorize a CORI check.

## How do I apply?

Self-referrals are accepted, as well as referrals from social service agencies, addiction centers, and other providers. To receive an initial screening, please call 508-984-7514. If you meet the program criteria, an intake assessment will be conducted on site. Upon acceptance, you will be placed on a waiting list and required to contact the program weekly to express your continued interest in the program.

Welcome Home is funded by the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) under the City of New Bedford Continuum of Care.



## What services are offered?

- Subsidized rental assistance
- Housing search and placement
- Comprehensive case management
- Residential substance use treatment access
- Outpatient substance use and mental health treatment access
- Recovery coaching services
- Coordination of emergency and long-term psychiatric care
- Referrals to community-based collateral services, educational and vocational development, medical care, domestic violence support, and other forms of assistance
- Independent living skills training
- Crisis intervention services