

# Medicaid coverage of homeless support services



Requesting \$12,581,400 in ongoing Medicaid Expansion Fund to expand vital support services to a wider segment of enrolled Medicaid Expansion members at risk of homelessness.

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## Housing supports & health outcomes

This is a vital grouping of services that address health-related social needs, which are linked to improved health outcomes and healthcare cost savings.

Service	Definition	Individuals served (not justice-involved)
Housing Related Services and Supports (HRSS)	The HRSS program provides housing-related services and supports in the form of tenancy support, community transition and supportive living services to qualifying Medicaid Expansion members.	Since October 2022, approximately 600 Medicaid members have been served through this program.  2,400 additional individuals would be served through this request
Rental assistance	Rental assistance will cover the cost of rent for up to 6 months for qualifying Medicaid Expansion members.	3,800 individuals
Intensive case management	Case management assists eligible individuals and is a critical component of housing supports.	1,922 individuals not in managed care

Providing housing supports is linked to:

- ✓ Improvement in health outcomes
- ✓ Reduced emergency room (ER) and inpatient stays
- ✓ Reduced healthcare costs

### Creating value

A person's housing situation contributes to their health outcomes. People enrolled in Medicaid who experience homelessness or housing instability have higher rates of morbidity, mortality, and higher healthcare costs. Tailored services help people maintain their housing stability and their physical and mental health.