

OFFICE OF HOMELESS SERVICES ACRONYM DICTIONARY

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Continuum of Care

BNL: By-name list. The by-name list is a list of every person in Nashville who is currently open in Coordinated Entry with a VI-SPDAT. The list includes demographic information and is put in Coordinated Entry priority order. The Coordinated Entry team at the Metro Homeless Impact Division maintains Nashville’s by-name list and uses it to make housing referrals.

CAB: Consumer Advisory Board. The CAB is a CoC Committee made up of people who have lived experience of homelessness in Nashville.

CE: Coordinated Entry. Coordinated Entry is a system-wide approach that serves to assess all persons experiencing a housing crisis to help identify, prioritize, and connect them with the appropriate housing and support service resources as quickly as possible. The Metro Homeless Impact Division is currently the Coordinated Entry Lead for the Nashville-Davidson County CoC.

CoC: Continuum of Care. The Continuum of Care is designed to promote community-wide commitment to the goal of ending homelessness; provide funding for efforts by nonprofit providers, and State and local governments to quickly rehouse homeless individuals and families while minimizing the trauma and dislocation caused to homeless individuals, families, and communities by homelessness; promote access to and effect utilization of mainstream programs by homeless individuals and families; and optimize self-sufficiency among individuals and families experiencing homelessness.

DV/IPV: Domestic violence/intimate partner violence. Violence or other abuse that takes place in a home or domestic setting. Can take multiple forms such as physical, verbal, emotional, economic, religious, reproductive, or sexual.

HIC: Housing Inventory Count. The HIC is a point in time inventory of programs within the Continuum of Care that provide beds and units dedicated to serve people experiencing homelessness. The HIC occurs annually at the end of January and is required by and reported to the federal Department of Housing and Urban Development.

HMIS: Homeless Management Information System. HMIS is a web-based software that serves as the primary database for projects intended to prevent and end homelessness in Nashville. HMIS collects and reports on client-level information about people experiencing homelessness in Nashville, including who they are, when and where they were served, the circumstances of their homelessness, whether those circumstances have changed over time, and what services were provided. The Metro Homeless Impact Division of Metro Social Services is currently the HMIS Lead Agency for the Nashville-Davidson County CoC, as voted on by the general membership.

HPC: Homelessness Planning Council. The Homelessness Planning Council is the governing body for the Nashville-Davidson County CoC. The duties and responsibilities of the HPC are (1) to implement a coordinated and focused approach to ending homelessness and to develop measurable objectives, (2) to fulfill all duties and responsibilities as the governance board for the Nashville-Davidson County Continuum of Care, (3) to hold regular meetings open to the public with published agendas, (4) to assure participation of all stakeholders, including persons experiencing homelessness, (5) to maintain accurate, current data on homeless populations, and (6) to educate the public, service providers, and other interested parties on issues related to homelessness.

HUD: U.S Department of Housing and Urban Development. HUD dedicates funding to Nashville's CoC for programs to prevent and end homelessness. HUD sets policy around programs and services dedicated to people experiencing homelessness, and provides guidance for operating CE, HMIS, and federal reporting on homelessness.

LBHC: Low Barrier Housing Collective. A collaboration between support service providers, property owners, and community members in Nashville dedicated to ending homelessness. The collective connects individuals and families experiencing homelessness to private market units that offer flexible screening criteria in exchange for benefits designed to mitigate risks for the property owner. The Metro Homeless Impact Division leads this collaborative effort. lowbarrierhousingcollective.org

LSA: The longitudinal systems analysis. This is an annual report created from HMIS data that is sent to HUD to create the Annual Homeless Assessment Report to be submitted to the United States Congress, a national-level report that provides information about homeless service providers, people and households experiencing homelessness, and various characteristics of that population. It informs strategic planning for federal, state, and local initiatives designed to prevent and end homelessness.

NOFO/NOFA: Notice of Funding Opportunity/Notice of Funding Availability. The NOFO is released annually by HUD for all CoCs to submit collaborative community applications for federal funding for homelessness programs. The collaborative applicant (in Nashville's case this is MDHA) submits the community application, and agencies apply for the funds that are awarded to Nashville.

P&P: Policies and Procedures. These are the policies for operating programs related to homelessness and to ensure transparency and standardization. The CoC votes on the Coordinated Entry and HMIS policies and procedures.

PEC: The Performance Evaluation Committee. The PEC is a CoC committee responsible for the rating and ranking of project applications from agencies that apply for CoC funds.

PiT: Point in Time Count. The Point in Time Count is a count of sheltered and unsheltered persons experiencing homelessness on a single night in January. HUD requires that Continuums of Care conduct

an annual count of homeless persons who are in emergency shelter, transitional housing, and Safe Havens on a single night. HUD also requires a count of unsheltered people every other year. Each count is planned, coordinated, and carried out locally.

SPM: System Performance Measures. HUD has developed the following seven system-level performance measures to help communities gauge their progress in preventing and ending homelessness. In order to encourage all local service providers to regularly measure and evaluate their progress in meeting the needs of people experiencing homelessness, HUD considers CoCs' System Performance data each year when awarding CoC funding through the CoC NOFO. The System Performance Measures can also be used locally to assess the system's functionality and to identify gaps in services.

Measure 1: Length of Time Persons Remain Homeless

Measure 2: The Extent to which Persons who Exit Homelessness to Permanent Housing Destinations Return to Homelessness within 6 to 12 Months and within 2 years

Measure 3: Number of Homeless Persons

Measure 4: Employment and Income Growth for Homeless Persons in CoC Program-funded Projects

Measure 5: Number of Persons who Become Homeless for the First Time

Measure 6: Homelessness Prevention and Housing Placement of Persons Defined by Category 3 of HUD's Homeless Definition in CoC Program-funded Projects (Not applicable to Nashville, only measured in high-performing communities)

Measure 7: Successful Placement in Permanent Housing

TA: Technical Assistance. Nashville regularly has several technical assistance providers from HUD to help with HMIS, governance, building a coordinated community response, and sometimes associated with specific funding streams.

VI-SPDAT: Vulnerability Index – Service Prioritization Decision Assistance Tool. The VI-SPDAT was developed as pre-screening tool for communities to use quickly to determine whether a client has high, moderate, or low acuity. It is a triage tool that Nashville uses to inform Coordinated Entry prioritization of resources. The VI-SPDAT is widely criticized, and our community is moving away from it towards a more community-specific assessment and prioritization process.

YYA: Youth and Young Adults. Usually means young people aged 18-24 years old.

HMIS

APR: Annual Performance Report: Recipients with HUD funding received through CoC homeless assistance grants (e.g., Supportive Housing Program, Shelter Plus Care, Section 8 Moderate Rehabilitation Single Room Occupancy Program, CoC Program) are required to submit an Annual Performance Report (APR) electronically to HUD every operating year. Data collection for the APR is aligned with the most recent version of the Homeless Management Information System (HMIS) Data Standards.

CAPER: Consolidated Annual Performance and Evaluation Reports: Recipients with HUD funding received through the Emergency Solutions Grants (ESG) Program are required to submit a Consolidated Annual Performance and Evaluation Report (CAPER) to HUD annually. Data collection for the ESG portion of the CAPER is aligned with the most recent version of the Homeless Management Information System (HMIS) Data Standards.

DQ: Data Quality: refers to the reliability and comprehensiveness of your community's data. Components of data quality include timeliness, completeness, accuracy, and consistency

HoH: Head of Household: The adult member of the family who is the head of the household for purposes of determining income eligibility and rent. When reporting data it is important to note if the report is for all individuals or just heads of household.

PDDEs: Project Descriptor Data Elements: are the required elements that define the individual projects within the HMIS system. They are initially entered at the setup of each project within an HMIS. They must be updated by the HMIS Administrator on a regular basis as information within the elements are subject to change and are critical for report generation.

ROI: Release of Information: A document that gives a consumer or client the opportunity to decide what personal information they would like shared or locked down in our HMIS system. Nashville has a 3 year ROI that allows for data sharing between projects.

SAGE: Sage HMIS Reporting Repository. SAGE is an online system for reporting data from HMIS to HUD on a project specific level and a system-wide level.

UDEs: Universal Data Elements: are client level data elements required for collection by all applicable projects participating in HMIS, regardless of funding source.

Agencies & Organizations

CCF: Community Care Fellowship; Everyone who enters the door at CCF is treated with dignity and respect. Whether a guest is seeking a shower, a meal, or just somewhere to rest their head, we meet their basic needs no questions asked. From there we have the opportunity to build a relationship and guide them towards transformation. Community Care Fellowship's Mobile Housing Navigation Center (MHNC) is a collective impact initiative with nonprofit partners, Metropolitan government, and partner congregations to provide temporary housing for our neighbors experiencing homelessness throughout the Nashville area, including those in encampments. Community Care Fellowship has emergency shelter, street outreach, and rapid re-housing projects.

<https://www.ccfnashville.org/>

CSH: The Corporation for Supportive Housing; Mission: To advance solutions that use housing as a platform for services to improve the lives of the most vulnerable people, maximize public resources and build healthy communities. CSH regularly provides Nashville with HUD technical assistance, including our current HMIS technical assistance.

<https://www.csh.org/>

ICF: Strategic Consulting and Communications for a Digital World ; Supporting capacity building programs for low-income and marginalized populations by empowering states, localities, and nonprofits to construct inclusive and resilient communities. ICF provides HUD technical assistance, including our current ESG-CV and S1 technical assistance.

<https://www.icf.com/50years>

MDHA: Metropolitan Development and Housing Agency; MDHA is Nashville's Public Housing Authority and the CoC's Collaborative Applicant. MDHA develops and manages public housing, the housing-choice voucher program, and other affordable housing programs and grants.

<http://www.nashville-mdha.org/>

MHC: Mental Health Cooperative; Mental Health Cooperative is a story of hope, where science and a belief in human potential come together to form a very special place. We are passionate about supporting adults with serious mental illnesses and children struggling with emotional/behavioral challenges using unique and innovative approaches. Mental Health Co-op has street outreach and case management projects.

<https://www.mhc-tn.org/>

MHID: Metro Homeless Impact Division; The Homeless Impact Division's goal is to provide expertise to the community in regard to building a Housing Crisis Resolution System. As such, the Homeless Impact Division provides staffing support to the Homelessness Planning Council, serves as the community's Homeless Management Information System Lead, coordinates a community response to street homelessness through its homeless outreach team, and leads efforts to continue to improve our community's Coordinated Entry System.

<https://mhidnashville.weebly.com/>

MNPS: Metro Nashville Public Schools; Mission: We deliver a great public education to every student, every day. The MNPS HERO program serves students and families experiencing or at risk of homelessness.

<https://www.mnps.org/>

MPC: Mary Parrish Center; Providing survivors of interpersonal violence and their children safe, accessible and compassionate housing with individualized care that promotes healing, autonomy and hope. The Mary Parrish Center has a transitional housing program, rapid-rehousing, and runs Nashville's DV Coordinated Entry process.

<https://www.maryparrish.org/>

MSS: Metro Social Services; Metropolitan Social Services provides a range of services to help Davidson County residents who are in need. These services promote positive change for individuals and families in times of crisis and economic hardship. Metro Social Services provides case management and severe weather emergency shelter.

<https://www.nashville.gov/departments/social-services>

NAEH: National Alliance to End Homelessness; The National Alliance to End Homelessness is a nonpartisan organization committed to preventing and ending homelessness in the United States. They provide a lot of good resources for working on systems level change to end homelessness.

<https://endhomelessness.org/>

NDP: Nashville Downtown Partnership; The Nashville Downtown Partnership is a non-profit management organization whose core purpose is to make downtown Nashville the compelling urban center in the Southeast in which to LIVE, WORK, PLAY and INVEST. Nashville Downtown Partnership has street outreach and rapid re-housing.

<https://nashvilledowntown.com/>

NRM: Nashville Rescue Mission; Nashville Rescue Mission is a Christ-centered community committed to helping the hungry, homeless, and hurting by providing programs and services that focus on a person's entire life—physical, mental, spiritual, emotional, and social. We are devoted to restoring the whole person through a Christian approach that helps the homeless and addicted learn how much God loves them and gain the biblical insight they need to lead a productive life in and for Christ. The Nashville Rescue Mission is the largest emergency shelter in Nashville and also provides a recovery program.

<https://nashvillerescuemission.org/>

OSDTN: Operation Stand Down TN; Operation Stand Down Tennessee engages, equips, and empowers military Veterans and their families through crisis, career, and connection services. Operation Stand Down provides SSVF programs in homelessness prevention and rapid re-housing, supportive services programs, and transitional housing.

<https://www.osdtn.org/>

OTN: Open Table Nashville; Open Table Nashville was officially incorporated as a 501(c)(3) non-profit in June of 2011 as an interfaith homeless outreach nonprofit that disrupts cycles of poverty, journeys with

the marginalized, and provides education about issues of homelessness. Open Table has a street outreach program.

<http://opentablenashville.org/>

PLN: People Loving Nashville; Inspired by the love and words of Jesus, we go to where the most vulnerable of Nashville can be found to create a place for relief, cultivate a healthy community, bring education, development, and restoration, as well as provide an uncomplicated connection to solutions both immediate and long-term. People Loving Nashville has a street outreach program.

<https://www.peoplelovingnashville.com/>

RITI: Room in the Inn; Mission: To provide programs that emphasize human development and recovery through education, self-help and work, centered in community and long term support for those who call the streets of Nashville home. Room In The Inn offer seasonal winter emergency shelter, transitional housing for veterans, supportive services, permanent supportive housing, and respite care for people exiting the hospital.

<https://www.roomintheinn.org/>

SHFS: Safe Haven Family Shelter; Safe Haven Family Shelter is the premier shelter-to-housing program in middle Tennessee that accommodates families experiencing homelessness. Safe Haven provides family emergency shelter, rapid re-housing, and permanent supportive housing.

<https://safehaven.org/>

TFC: The Family Collective; Families enter one of the programs within The Family Collective while experiencing a housing crisis or while receiving services at one of our hubs, community centers or schools, where they receive at least one core wrap-around service and select the service mix that best meets their needs. We seek to ensure that when a family becomes homeless, their experience is rare and brief—no longer than 30 days—and the negative effects are limited. The Family Collective is a program of the United Way that funds many family service providers.

<https://www.unitedwaygreaternashville.org/the-family-collective-partner-portal/>

TSA: The Salvation Army; The Salvation Army has been many things over the years as communities' needs have changed over the years, but today, the focus of the Nashville Salvation Army is to fight poverty and prevent homelessness in our community through a myriad of comprehensive programs designed to bring a holistic approach to the individual's or family's need. The Salvation Army provides transitional housing, rapid re-housing, street outreach, homelessness prevention, and supportive services.

<https://www.salvationarmyusa.org/usn/>

UHS: Urban Housing Solutions; As Nashville's largest non-profit provider of affordable housing, Urban Housing Solutions develops creative alternatives for individuals and families seeking attractive, accessible communities. Practicing sustainable construction, we rehabilitate aging structures and build new ones to offer decent, affordable options for Nashvillians and surrounding Middle Tennessee residents. Urban Housing Solutions provides permanent supportive housing and operates several buildings with project-based vouchers.

<https://www.urbanhousingsolutions.org/>

USICH: United States Interagency Council on Homelessness; The U.S. Interagency Council on Homelessness (USICH) is the only federal agency with a sole mission focused on preventing and ending homelessness in America.

<https://www.usich.gov/>

VA: Veteran Affairs; To fulfill President Lincoln’s promise “To care for him who shall have borne the battle, and for his widow, and his orphan” by serving and honoring the men and women who are America’s veterans.

<https://www.va.gov/>

YWCA: YWCA Nashville & Middle Tennessee is one of the oldest and largest nonprofits in the region focused on the needs of women, girls, and families. We are deeply committed to working on issues of gender, economic, social, and racial justice. The YWCA provides emergency shelter to people fleeing domestic violence.

<https://www.ywcanashville.com/>

Programs & Funding

ARP: American Rescue Plan; The American Rescue Plan (ARP) provides \$5 billion to assist individuals or households who are homeless, at risk of homelessness, and other vulnerable populations, by providing housing, rental assistance, supportive services, and non-congregate shelter, to reduce homelessness and increase housing stability across the country.

https://www.hud.gov/program_offices/comm_planning/home-arp

CDBG: The Community Development Block Grant; The program provides annual grants on a formula basis to states, cities, and counties to develop viable urban communities by providing decent housing and a suitable living environment, and by expanding economic opportunities, principally for low- and moderate-income persons. MDHA administers our CDBG in Nashville. CDBG funds also pay for the financial assistance program that the MHID CE team operates.

https://www.hud.gov/program_offices/comm_planning/cdbg

CoC Funding: Continuum of Care Program Funding; Grants offered through a competitive process for new construction; acquisition, rehabilitation, or leasing of buildings to provide transitional or permanent housing; rental assistance; payment of operating costs; supportive services; re-housing services; payment of administrative costs; and grants for technical assistance.

CTI: Critical Time Intervention; CTI is a time-limited evidence-based practice that mobilizes support for society’s most vulnerable individuals during periods of transition. Metro has a grant with Centerstone to provide CTI case management to people exiting homelessness and moving in to permanent housing.

<https://files.hudexchange.info/resources/documents/CriticalTimeIntervention.pdf>

EHV: Emergency Housing Voucher; EHV program is available through the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA). Through EHV, HUD is providing 70,000 housing choice vouchers to local Public Housing Authorities (PHAs) to assist individuals and families who are homeless, at-risk of homelessness, fleeing, or attempting to flee, domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, stalking, or human trafficking, or were recently homeless or have a high risk of housing instability. Nashville was allocated 198 EHV's.

<https://www.hud.gov/ehv>

ES: Emergency Shelter; Emergency shelter means any facility, the primary purpose of which is to provide a temporary shelter for the homeless in general or for specific populations of the homeless and which does not require occupants to sign leases or occupancy agreements.

ESG: Emergency Solutions Grant; The Emergency Shelter Grants Program funds the development and implementation of homelessness prevention activities, such as short-term and first-month's rent, eviction or foreclosure assistance, utility payments, security deposits, landlord-tenant mediation, and tenant legal services.

<https://www.hudexchange.info/programs/emergency-shelter-grants/>

ESG:CV- Emergency Solutions Grant: Cares Act; The CARES Act appropriated \$4 billion through the Emergency Solutions Grants (ESG) Program "to prevent, prepare for, and respond to coronavirus, among individuals and families who are homeless or receiving homeless assistance and to support additional homeless assistance and homelessness prevention activities to mitigate the impacts created by coronavirus under the Emergency Solutions Grants program.

<https://www.hudexchange.info/programs/esg/esg-cv/#program-requirements>

FMR: Fair Market Rent (maximum rent for Section 8 rental assistance); FMRs regularly published by HUD, represent the cost to rent a moderately-priced dwelling unit in the local housing market. The housing voucher tenant must pay 30 percent of its monthly adjusted gross income for rent and utilities, and if the unit rent is greater than the payment standard, the tenant is required to pay the additional amount.

https://www.hud.gov/program_offices/public_indian_housing/programs/hcv/landlord/fmr

GPD: The Department of Veterans Affairs' (VA) Homeless Providers Grant and Per Diem (GPD) Program; VA's Grant and Per Diem (GPD) Program is offered annually (as funding permits) by the Department of Veterans Affairs to fund community agencies providing services to Veterans experiencing homelessness.

<https://www.va.gov/homeless/gpd.asp>

HCV: Housing choice vouchers; Vouchers that allow very low-income families to choose and lease or purchase safe, decent, and affordable privately-owned rental housing. Housing choice vouchers are administered locally by public housing agencies. A family that is issued a housing voucher is responsible for finding a suitable housing unit of the family's choice where the owner agrees to rent under the program. Also known as the Section 8 program.

https://www.hud.gov/topics/housing_choice_voucher_program_section_8#hcv01

HOPWA: Housing Opportunities for Persons With AIDS; Federal program dedicated to the housing needs of people living with HIV/AIDS. Under the HOPWA Program, HUD makes grants to local communities, States, and nonprofit organizations for projects that benefit low-income persons living with HIV/AIDS and their families.

<https://www.hudexchange.info/programs/hopwa/>

PATH: Projects for Assistance in Transition from Homelessness; Provides assistance to individuals who are homeless or at risk of homelessness and have serious mental illnesses. Services eligible for funding under PATH are:

- 1) Outreach services
- 2) Screening and diagnostic treatment services
- 3) Habilitation and rehabilitation services
- 4) Community mental health services
- 5) Alcohol and drug treatment services
- 6) Staff training
- 7) Case management services
- 8) Supportive and supervisory services in residential settings
- 9) Referrals for primary health services, job training, educational services
- 10) Relevant housing services

To be eligible for this benefit program, you must be:

- Homeless; or
- At risk of homelessness; or
- Live in a shelter; and
- You or any of your family/household members must be facing mental illness.

PSH: Permanent Supportive Housing; Permanent housing in which housing assistance (e.g., long-term leasing or rental assistance) and supportive services are provided to assist households with at least one member (adult or child) with a disability in achieving housing stability.

<https://www.hudexchange.info/homelessness-assistance/coc-esg-virtual-binders/coc-program-components/permanent-housing/permanent-supportive-housing/>

RFP/RFA: Request for Proposals/Request for Application; A request for proposal is a document used to gather bids for a project or service. Government agencies may use an RFP to find the best vendor for various things such as consulting, vendor changes, IT etc.

RHY: Runaway and Homeless Youth; RHY is a federal department of health and human services grant program. Locally there is an RHY program at Oasis Center and they are required to enter data into HMIS. They have their own required data elements and reports etc. Oasis Center has a shelter for minors and street outreach program.

RRH: Rapid Re-housing; Permanent housing that provides short-term (up to three months) and medium-term (4-24 months) tenant-based rental assistance and supportive services to households experiencing homelessness.

<https://www.hudexchange.info/homelessness-assistance/coc-esg-virtual-binders/coc-program-components/permanent-housing/rapid-re-housing/>

SNAPS: Special Needs Assistance Programs; The SNAPS Strategy sets out three overarching goals for itself and communities:

1. Communities use their data to optimize systems of care through making ongoing system performance improvements and determining optimal resource allocation.
2. Communities operate data systems that allow for accurate, comprehensive, and timely data collection, usage and reporting; and
3. Federal government coordinates to receive and use data to make informed decisions in coordination with other data sets, across and within agencies.

<https://www.hudexchange.info/homelessness-assistance/data-strategy-usability/#:~:text=HUD%20and%20our%20Federal%20partners%20are%20committed%20to,out%20thre%20overarching%20goals%20for%20itself%20and%20communities%3A>

SO: Street Outreach; Assists with providing essential services necessary to reach out to unsheltered homeless people; connect them with emergency shelter, housing, or critical services; and provide urgent, non-facility based care to unsheltered homeless people who are unwilling or unable to access emergency shelter, housing, or an appropriate health facility. Street Outreach activities include engagement, case management, emergency health services, emergency mental health services, transportation, and services for special populations.

<https://www.hudexchange.info/homelessness-assistance/coc-esg-virtual-binders/esg-eligible-activities/street-outreach/>

SOAR: Supplemental Security Income (SSI)/Social Security Disability Insurance (SSDI), Outreach, Access, and Recovery; Program increases access to Social Security disability benefits for eligible children and adults who are experiencing or at risk of homelessness and have a serious mental illness, medical impairment, and/or co-occurring substance use disorder. The SOAR model is designed to assist children and adults in applying for Social Security disability benefits, including those returning to their communities from jails and hospitals. Youth aging out of the foster care system may apply 180 days before their foster care eligibility will end due to age. Metro has a grant with Park Center for them to apply people experiencing homelessness for SOAR.

<https://www.samhsa.gov/homelessness-programs-resources/grant-programs-services/soar>

SPC: Shelter Plus Care (S+C); Grant for rental assistance, in combination with supportive services from other resources, to assist hard-to-serve homeless persons with disabilities. MDHA administers a Shelter Plus Care program in Nashville with CoC funding.

[https://www.hud.gov/hudprograms/spc#:~:text=\(S%2BC\)-,Shelter%20Plus%20Care%20\(S%2BC\),serve%20homeless%20persons%20with%20disabilities.](https://www.hud.gov/hudprograms/spc#:~:text=(S%2BC)-,Shelter%20Plus%20Care%20(S%2BC),serve%20homeless%20persons%20with%20disabilities.)

SSO: Supportive Services Only; Projects allow recipients to provide supportive services—such as conducting outreach to sheltered and unsheltered homeless persons and families and providing

referrals to other housing or other necessary services—to families and individuals experiencing homelessness.

<https://www.hudexchange.info/homelessness-assistance/coc-esg-virtual-binders/coc-program-components/supportive-services-only/>

SSVF: Supportive Services for Veteran Families; For very low-income Veterans, SSVF provides case management and supportive services to prevent the imminent loss of a Veteran's home or identify a new, more suitable housing situation for the individual and his or her family; or to rapidly re-house Veterans and their families who are homeless and might remain homeless without this assistance.

<https://www.va.gov/homeless/ssvf/index.html>

TH: Transitional housing; TH is designed to provide homeless individuals and families with the interim stability and support to successfully move to and maintain permanent housing. Transitional housing may be used to cover the costs of up to 24 months of housing with accompanying supportive services.

TH-RRH: Transitional Housing-Rapid Re-housing; The Joint Component Project is designed to provide short term, crisis housing while helping individuals and families experiencing homelessness identify and move into permanent housing. The project type first funded under the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development's (HUD) FY 2017 CoC Program Competition Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA). The Joint TH and PH-RRH component project combines two existing program components – transitional housing and permanent housing-rapid rehousing – in a single project to serve individuals and families experiencing homelessness. By combining TH and PH-RRH, individuals and families experiencing homelessness have access to low-barrier, temporary housing and the financial supports necessary to help them quickly move into and maintain permanent housing.

VASH: Veterans Affairs Supportive Housing; Program combines HUD's Housing Choice Voucher (HCV) rental assistance for homeless Veterans with case management and clinical services provided by the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA). VA provides these services for participating Veterans at VA medical centers (VAMCs), community-based outreach clinics (CBOCs), through VA contractors, or through other VA designated entities.

YHDP: Youth Homelessness Demonstration Program; The program is designed to reduce the number of youth experiencing homelessness. The goal of the YHDP is to support selected communities, including rural, suburban, and urban areas across the United States, in the development and implementation of a coordinated community approach to preventing and ending youth homelessness. Nashville is a round 2 YHDP community, and Oasis Center runs our YHDP funded rapid re-housing and supportive services only projects.

<https://www.hudexchange.info/programs/yhdp/>