

HOME FOR GOOD BUILDING & PROGRAM INFORMATION SHEET

Home For Good is a “homelessness-focused” program that supports innovative local solutions for people experiencing homelessness. The HFG project located at 49B Pine Street in Bracebridge is a project focused on young people aged 16 to 24 that are at risk of or experiencing homelessness. The program aims to provide safe, affordable and supportive transitional housing on a temporary basis while preparing and looking for a permanent and stable housing solution.

Building and Units

The building has 12 small transitional bachelor units, common space for programming and supports, and office space for program staff.

The bachelor units are self-contained and are equipped with a bed and locker, bathroom with shower, and a small kitchenette with a fridge, microwave and cooktop.

Eligibility

- 1) Young people aged 16-24 that are homeless or at risk of homelessness are eligible for referral to the program.
- 2) The goal of the program is to provide a safe space where programming and supports can be provided that will assist in the transition to stable and independent living. All HFG residents must participate in programming and supports as part of their transition plan.
- 3) Applicants will have a review of their eligibility / fit to the program at “admission” and on-going review of their eligibility / fit to the program every 3 months thereafter.
- 4) Applicants will be actively involved or willing to be involved with a support agency i.e. CMHA, Family Connexions, CAS, and Community Living.
- 5) The program would promote a mixture of young people, both age and gender.
- 6) Applicants must demonstrate a readiness to live in the HFG environment and to work toward the goal of independent living.
- 7) Applicants with a history of violence, violent criminal activity, drug dealing, and /or significant addictions which are not under treatment are not eligible for the program.

Services / Supports

HFG staff will help young people living in the building develop a plan and gain the skills and supports needed for a transition to stable and sustainable housing.

Staff will be available to support residents during normal business hours (Monday to Friday). There will be no on-site staffing after hours, weekends or holidays.

Program Expectations

HFG residents will:

- 1) Be willing to and prove able to live with existing residents in the home.
- 2) Agree not to place other residents at risk.
- 3) Engage with Staff and show willingness to develop, accept responsibility and assistance, and actively participate in programs and supports.
- 4) Have financial stability, be willing and able to pay rent, or arrange to have someone pay rent, or have someone that would pay rent on their behalf. This may include but is not limited to; employment, OW, ODSP, Family Connexions, Family Services or other family members.
- 5) Be willing and able to adhere to the expectations and rules of the residence and, engage with staff on an ongoing basis in reaching the goals set out in their Development Plan.
- 6) Be actively involved in community support for the duration of their residency.
- 7) Be willing to sign disclosure agreements between all involved agencies.