OUTREACH FLOW CHART

Initial encounter; Start to build rapport; Add and/or update information in HMIS; Document client needs; Share resources’ Housing Problem Solving

Continue to establish relationship; Enroll in outreach project; Assign as case manager. Continue updating in HMIS with case notes while the person is unhoused

Enroll into Coordinated Entry; Continue meeting with the person until housed, enter shelter, or 90 days of no contact’ Add to Priority List if unable to divert and literally homeless

If client is referred to RRH or PSH and is unsheltered, continue working with client and assisting case manager

Continue updating HMIS regarding the persons situation and needs; Attend Housing Solutions meeting to discuss the client needs and provide any information outside of HMIS

Continue meeting with client to assist with resources, gathering housing documents and searching for housing (rental, friends, family, etc.); Continue problem solving conversations

“Street outreach is planned, strategic, and organized. It is not an activity of driving or walking around aimlessly happening upon homeless persons by chance. In a coordinated entry system, street outreach should know exactly which people they aim to connect with daily, for what purpose, and with a strong housing orientation. Three quarters or more of every shift should be spent with existing contacts and moving the housing process forward. Only about a quarter should be spent with new contacts. Everyone on the priority list is known by name, acuity level, and location of where most commonly located.”

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