

# IMPORTANT INFORMATION AND FACTS ABOUT HOMELESS YOUTH SERVICES (HYS)



## WHAT IS HOMELESS YOUTH SERVICES?

Homeless Youth Services (HYS) leads the City's response to youth homelessness via direct grants to community organizations to provide services (housing, street outreach, etc.) to youth experiencing homelessness. HYS also coordinates street outreach teams and collaborates with system of care partners to ensure youth are assessed for, and linked to, appropriate services.

## WHAT SERVICES ARE PROVIDED?

Services provided to youth eligible for Homeless Youth Services include:

- **Drop-In Centers**
- **Street Outreach Programs**
- **Transitional Housing Programs**
- **Crisis Beds**
- **Shelter for Pregnant and Parenting Teens**

## WHO IS ELIGIBLE FOR HOMELESS YOUTH SERVICES?

To be eligible for Homeless Youth Services, you must be:

District of Columbia Transition Age Youth (TAY), 24 years old or younger, homeless, living in doubled-up circumstances, in transitional housing, in shelter, or at risk of homelessness.

## WHAT DO I NEED TO DO TO APPLY FOR SERVICES?

Homeless TAY should call the Runaway and Homeless Youth (RHY) Hotline at (202) 547-7777 or visit [www.coordinatedentry.com](http://www.coordinatedentry.com) under 'Help?' for a list of outreach providers and drop-in center locations.

## HOW DO I GET MORE INFORMATION?

For more information about the Homeless Youth Services Program, please call (202) 299-2158.



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