# Youth and Young Adult Navigation Team

## Housing services for young adults

Every year, many Hennepin County youth and young adults experience sheltered and unsheltered homelessness. The Youth and Young Adult Navigation team, under the umbrella of the Homeless to Housing Program, offers housing-focused case management and support to people between the ages of 18 and 24 who are experiencing homelessness by helping them secure permanent housing and connecting them with long-term case management.

Our goal is to support young adults to be safely and stably housed through the provision of services, which are implemented according to the nine guiding principles to assist youth in overcoming homelessness. Our plan is to house as many young adults as possible by assisting them with creating housing goals, breaking down housing barriers, collaborating with other youth providers, and ultimately securing housing that is both stable and sustainable.

Historically, Hennepin County has been behind the scenes supporting various organizations who do youth work. The Youth and Young Adult Navigation team collaborates with those organizations and fills gaps where it is most beneficial to the young person, allowing for greater capacity for the single adult teams.

### How it works

The Youth and Young Adult Navigation team ensures that the following process is executed seamlessly:

Identify eligible youth à Intake à Goal planning à Barrier busting à Housing identification/move in à Stabilization/referral to long-term support and discharge

### Eligibility requirements

* Be 18 years old – 24 years old with or without minor children in their care
* Not be already working with a housing specific case manager
* Be staying in a shelter, or sleeping outside or in a vehicle within Hennepin County

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