



## FACT SHEET

### Supportive Housing & Enhanced Supportive Housing

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Bridgeway's Supportive Housing program assists people with mental illness who want to live independently. Supportive housing helps persons receiving services to gain access to affordable, permanent housing, link them to employment and educational programs and with community supports, and decrease their hospitalization rate. The strategy of matching affordable housing with home/community-based services is proving very effective. Addressing housing first results in positive outcomes for career development, community integration and re-hospitalization reduction. Improved outcomes in the future will be realized as people adjust to new living environments, become more focused on goals for the future and staff is able to devote time to work with them on their on rehabilitation goals.

#### Services Include:

- Housing search assistance
- Moving in services
- Mental health/medication education
- Employment services
- Co-occurring Disorder Services as needed
- Supportive counseling
- 24 hour, 7 day on call support

*Services will be provided off-site in the person's living environment and will be on going, with no time limits.*

#### Eligibility Criteria:

- A diagnosis of a major mental illness
- People who express an interest in independent living
- People who have some understanding of their own mental illness
- For enhanced supportive housing: person must be at risk of homelessness and/or state hospitalization
- Union and Hunterdon County Residents