



THE TENANCY PRESERVATION PROGRAM (TPP)

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What TPP is:

The Tenancy Preservation Program (TPP) is a homelessness prevention program. TPP works with tenants, including families, facing eviction as a result of behavior related to a disability (e.g. mental illness, developmental disability, substance abuse, aging-related impairments). TPP functions as a neutral party to the landlord and tenant. In consultation with the Housing Court Department, TPP works with the property owner and tenant to determine whether the disability can be reasonably accommodated and the tenancy preserved. Tenants with active Housing Court cases, as well as those in subsidized housing, are given priority.

TPP operates statewide in the five geographic regions served by the Housing Court Department (Boston, Northeast, Southeast, Worcester and Western).

“Once TPP becomes involved with a troubled tenancy, the program is highly successful in achieving a positive outcome for tenants.”


- University of Massachusetts
Donahue Institute, *Tenancy Preservation Program - Evaluation Report*, March 2010.

What TPP does:

TPP clinicians assess the reasons for the eviction, identify needed services, develop a treatment plan to maintain the tenancy, and monitor the case for as long as is necessary. TPP makes regular reports to all parties involved in the case (i.e. the Court, property owner, and tenant). Though not a housing search program, if the tenancy cannot be preserved, TPP coordinates the tenant's transition to a more appropriate placement, preventing homelessness whenever possible.

How well TPP works:

On average, TPP assists 500 households annually, preventing homelessness in over 80% of cases. TPP has been nationally recognized as an award-winning homelessness prevention program.



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