

Eligible Participants

- Hospitalized at Anoka Metro Regional Treatment Center (AMRTC) or Forensic Mental Health Program (FMHP) (fka St. Peter Regional Treatment Center-SPRTC) and does not meet hospital level of care, * **AND**
- Homeless or at significant risk of homelessness upon AMRTC or FMHP admission or discharge, **AND**
- Eligible for a HUD Section 8 housing choice voucher or will be eligible in the future.

*People who are at a community hospital as an alternative to hospitalization at AMRTC and are on the waiting list for AMRTC may also be eligible if diversion from AMRTC hospitalization is demonstrated. People may transition from a regional treatment center (RTC) to an intensive residential treatment services (IRTS) facility or other facility or treatment center and remain eligible for a Bridges RTC voucher.

Contact the regional provider below to receive application forms and to apply for housing assistance.

REGIONAL CONTACTS			
Tenant Advocacy Service Provider	Housing Administrator	Service Areas	Contact
Carver County	Carver County CDA	Carver County	Melissa Hanson mhanson@co.carver.mn.us 952.442.3010
Mental Health Resources, Inc.	Mental Health Resources, Inc.	Anoka County and Hennepin County	Gary Lloyd glloyd@mhresources.com 651.659.2914
Scott County	Scott County CDA	Scott County	Bianca Wester bstewart@co.scott.mn.us 952.496.8453

You can find general information about Bridges and Bridges RTC online at [Minnesota Housing Rental Assistance](#) or by contacting Ellie Miller, Bridges Program Manager, at 651.215.6236; ellie.miller@state.mn.us or Gary Travis, Behavioral Health Housing Policy and Services Lead, Homeless, Housing, and Support Services Administration at 651.431.2252; gary.m.travis@state.mn.us.

To reach one of the facilities, please contact:

Katlin (Katie) Burke, Director of Social Services, Anoka Metro Regional Treatment Center
Burke, Katlin (DHS) Katlin.Burke@state.mn.us or 651.431.5047

Barbra (Barb) Hughes, MSW, LICSW, BCD, Social Work Director, Forensic Mental Health Program
Barbra.J.Hughes@state.mn.us or 507-985-2825

The Transition to Community Initiative (TTCI), pursuant to [Minn. Stat. § 256.478](#), was established in 2013 to reduce the time that individuals remained at the Anoka Metro Regional Treatment Center (AMRTC) or the Forensic Mental Health Program (FMHP) when services were not clinically necessary. To accomplish these goals, TTCI provides a wide array of services to address a person's unique needs and in 2015 began the "Whatever it Takes (WIT) program to enhance creative solutions that address the needs of their target population. In addition to the WIT services, the TTC program can provide grants to counties when there are no other funding resources to address discharge barriers. By providing additional funding to address the unique discharge barriers faced by some individuals, the initiative promotes recovery as well as opens up beds at AMRTC and FMHP for other individuals who need them.

For additional information about the Transition to Community Initiative, contact:

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Chelsey Folkert, TTCI Diversion Specialist, chelsey.folkert@state.mn.us, 651-432-6833

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