

Phoenix Transitional Housing Program

Suitability Criteria

The Phoenix is owned by Spokane County and Pioneer Human Services administers the program. The purpose of this document is to help caseworkers determine who would be eligible for this program. It is not required to be included in the application packet. Eligibility factors include:

- Intent to use six-month program to save up money and transition to long term housing.
- Income verification - sufficient to pay current rent. If income is time limited - such as student loans, L&I, Unemployment Compensation - applicant must show proof that it will continue for six months.
- Continuous Medicaid eligibility for the length of stay. If Medicaid closes, eligibility for this program ends.
- Participation in behavioral health treatment at an SCRBHO funded facility for the entire term of the placement.
- Independent enough to take care of medical needs and manage medications.
- Willing to participate in Residential Individualized Service Plan with goals to promote housing search and independence.
- Prior to placement, all parties must pass a criminal background check with no evidence of violent crimes, drug related felonies, and/or crimes against children in the last seven years. Persons required to register as sex offenders or pedophilia offenders are not eligible for this program. If there is an active warrant for anything other than court fines, it must be taken care of before placement in this program.
- Returning program participants must not have used Phoenix House services in the last year and must pay any outstanding balances owed for housing or damages before they are considered for an apartment.
- A current Crisis Plan provided by the clinician is required.
- Participant and any roommates must agree to abide by the Service Agreement rules.
- Beginning in October 2017, the Phoenix Transitional Living Program will be notifying all program participants of Spokane County's decision for the program to go Smoke Free and Vape Free on April 1, 2018. An outdoor designated smoking area is available and all smokers are encouraged to use it.