TARGETING PROGRAM REFERRAL PACKET

How to Make a Referral to the Targeting Program

REFERRAL AGENCIES:

- STEP 1: Assess the person's potential for success in independent housing with access to the supports and services determined necessary, appropriate and available.
- STEP 2: Review property information using the local Housing Support Committee property listing.

 Explain the Targeting Program and review Targeting Program housing options within your service area.

 Referral Agencies may only refer persons to properties within the agency's service area.
- STEP 3: Determine if the person meets Targeting Program eligibility criteria.

Targeting Program eligibility criteria varies by property (see local Housing Support Committee Property Listing sheet for eligibility criteria). Persons must be eligible for and interested in living at the properties to which they are referred.

STEP 4: Complete the Targeting Program Referral Forms.

Applicant and Household Information is necessary for processing referrals. The Referral Agency Point or Back-up person, identified on the agency's Agreement to Participate, signs this form.

A separate **Letter of Referral** is needed for each property to which the person is applying as this form will be forwarded to the property. The Referral Agency completes Section 1. The Referral Agency must work with the Applicant to apply for Section 8 if he or she is not already on the Section 8 waitlist. This step is necessary prior to referral; however, Targeting Program eligibility is not impacted if waitlists are closed or the Applicant is ineligible for Section 8. To find contact information for the local Public Housing Agency visit www.hud.gov/offices/pih/pha/contacts/states/nc.cfm. The Applicant must sign Section 2. DHHS completes Section 3.

STEP 5: Fax Referral Forms to the DHHS Targeted Unit Coordinator using the attached fax cover sheet.

Referral Forms must be reviewed and coordinated by the Referral Agency Point or Back-up person.

If a unit is available, the Targeted Unit Coordinator will forward the Letter of Referral to the property and notify the Referral Agency. If a unit is not available, the Targeted Unit Coordinator will add the Applicant to the Targeted Unit waitlist.

STEP 6: Contact the Applicant once DHHS forwards the Letter of Referral to Property Management.

The Applicant should proceed in applying for housing at the property by contacting property management, identifying himself or herself as a referred Targeted Unit Applicant and completing the apartment application within 10 days of property management receiving the referral.

STEP 7: Assist the Applicant with the property application process depending on the person's needs.

The Property Manager processes the application just as they would for a non referred person including income verification and rental, credit and criminal background checks (fees may apply).

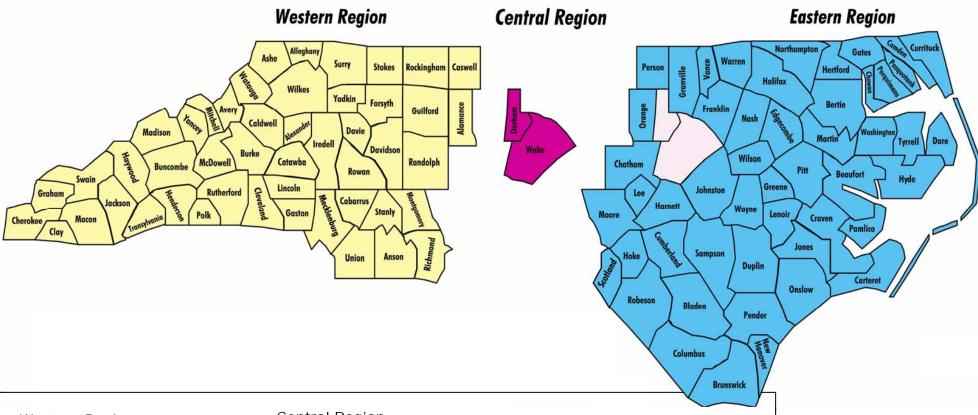
The Property Manager notifies the Applicant and Targeted Unit Coordinator of the application decision and the Targeted Unit Coordinator notifies the Referral Agency.

STEP 8: If the application is approved, ensure that the person successfully moves into the Targeted Unit.

The Applicant needs to be prepared to pay a security deposit and utility deposits/fees and may need assistance in understanding the lease when the Property Manager reviews it with him or her. The person may need other assistance when moving in.

If the application is denied, contact the Applicant to determine if he or she is eligible for and would like to request a Reasonable Accommodation and notify the Targeted Unit Coordinator of the decision. Requests must be submitted to Property Management within 10 days of housing denial notification. Property Management will hold the application/unit open until the Reasonable Accommodation process is complete.

TARGETING PROGRAM REGIONS



Western Region

For general information contact:

Kay Johnson Western Housing Support Coordinator (704) 619-6716 (phone) kay.r.johnson@ncmail.net

Fax referrals to:

Russell Cate Western Targeted Unit Coordinator (828) 273-4546 (phone) (828) 258-7438 (fax) russell.cate@ncmail.net

Central Region

For general information contact:

Jennifer Olson Central Housing Support Coordinator (919) 733-4534 (phone) jennifer.l.olson@ncmail.net

Fax referrals in Durham to:

Russell Cate (828) 273-4546 (phone) (828) 258-7438 (fax) russell.cate@ncmail.net

Fax referrals in Wake to:

Stacy Hurley (919) 667-4818 (phone) (919) 929-9768 (fax) stacy.hurley@ncmail.net

Eastern Region

For general information contact:

Walter Vincent
Eastern Housing Support Coordinator
(910) 620-0467 (phone)
walter.vincent@ncmail.net

Fax referrals to:

Stacy Hurley
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TARGETING PROGRAM REFERRAL

Fax Cover Sheet

To:	Russell Cate, DHHS Targeted Unit Coordinator	From:
Fax:	828-258-7438	Pages:
Re:	Targeted Unit Referral	Date:

Comment:

Incomplete Applicant and Household Information forms or Letters of Referral may delay placement of persons on Targeted Unit waitlists. Please review Targeting Program referral forms for accuracy and completion prior to faxing them to the DHHS Targeted Unit Coordinator in your area.

TARGETING PROGRAM REFERRAL

Applicant and Household Information

Information below is required for purposes of processing Targeted Unit referrals.

Referral Agency name:	Date:				
Agency Point or Back-up person name:	Phone no:				
Agency Point or Back-up person signature require	Fax no:				
Applicant name:					
2. Date of Birth:	Date of Birth: Last 4 digits of SSN: XXX – XX –				
3. No. of household members (do not include live-in	3. No. of household members (do not include live-in aides): No. of live-in aides:				
4. If household has 2 or more members, describe the relationship of each household member to the Applicant.					
5. If household has medical reasons for an extra bedroom, please explain.					
6. Applicant is a head of household with a disability					
7. Applicant has income based on disability		Yes No			
8. If question 7 answer is yes, list source of disability	ty income (SSI, SSDI, VA, oth	er):			
9. Total monthly gross household income:					
10. Indicate whether or not the household needs th	e following types of apartment	s:			
a. Handicapped Unit (wider doors, grab bars)b. Fully Accessible Unit (curbless shower)c. Visual/Audio Accessible Unitd. Ground floor unit if no elevator					
Information below is optional and is collected for purposes of statewide data reporting.					
11. Where is the applicant currently living? (Indicate if homeless.)					
12. Check all places the applicant has stayed in the Own home or rental unit Home of family/friend Psychiatric facility Emergency room/Hospital Detox/Substance abuse tx facility Shelter/street/car (Homeless)	e past 12 months. ICF/MR Adult Care Home Nursing Home Group Home Jail/Prison Other (specify)				
Last Updated 1/12/09		DHHS use only No. of bedrooms:			

TARGETING PROGRAM LETTER OF REFERRAL

SECTION 1 (Completed by the Referral Agency.)

The applicant must sign a Letter	of Referral for each propert	y to which he/she w	ishes to apply. Refe	erral Agencies can
only refer applicants to properties	s within the agency's service	e area.		

Deferrel of		to				
Referral of	Applicant Name	to	Property Name (one only)			
Please indica	te that each of the follow	ing statements is accura	te by initialing below.			
Applicant meets Targeted Unit eligibility criteria as specified on the local Housing Support Committee Property Listing.						
2 Applicant household is <u>not</u> comprised solely of full-time students. (If the household is comprised solely of full-time students, contact NC DHHS for assistance.)						
3 I ve	3 I verified Section 8 status with					
on	Date	The applicant:	al Public Housing/Section 8 Agency			
	is on the Section 8 wait					
	is not eligible for Sectio	n 8.				
	cannot apply for Section	n 8 at this time, because	the waitlist is closed.			
(Application to S	Section 8 and status verificati	on is required prior to referral,	but status does not affect Targeting Program eligibility.)			
SECTION 2 (Cor	mpleted by the Referral Agend	cy and the Applicant. Applicar	nt signature required.)			
I authorize the North Carolina Department of Health and Human Services (NC DHHS) and the						
			the Local Lead Agency			
		cal Lead Agency on the HSC Pro	perty Listing.)			
	with the property for whi r the following reasons:	ch I am applying, to com	municate with the property management			
(1) processing my application for housing including reasonable accommodations, and(2) addressing issues related to my tenancy including reasonable accommodations.						
			e at any time by notifying the agency that sion will not affect my tenancy.			
	Applicant Signature	;	 Date			
SECTION 3 (Con	mpleted by DHHS.)					
DHHS Referra	l Verification					
	DHHS Staff Signature Print Name					
		(828) 273-4546	(828) 258-7438			
L	Date	Phone number	Fax number			

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