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**NYC** Criminal  
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# EMERGENCY + *TRANSITIONAL* HOUSING



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Housing is a fundamental building block for safety and is crucial for the well-being and stability of individuals involved in the justice system. Without safe housing, it is difficult for individuals to engage in vocational, educational, and therapeutic services, and reentry is severely compromised. **Transitional housing** is a key part of the city's strategy to reduce the jail population and support successful reentry.

The New York City **Mayor's Office of Criminal Justice (MOCJ)** provides funding to three central agencies to run the Emergency and Transitional Housing (ETH) program. ETH is temporary housing that will support justice-impacted individuals who are experiencing homelessness and housing instability by providing a temporary place to stay and assisting in securing permanent housing.

ETH promotes long-term stability and wellness, offering access to several housing models across **870+ beds** tailored for distinct populations, both individuals and families. This initiative aims to (1) **reduce the jail population** by providing housing and (2) **prevent further justice system involvement** for those released from incarceration by supporting stabilization in the community.

Participants may be sentenced to and engaged in an Alternative to Detention (ATD) program and Alternative to Incarceration (ATI) program, Supervised Release, and/or reentry services upon release from incarceration. The anticipated length of stay in a transitional housing bed is approximately 12-18 months, although the lengths of stay may vary based on the individual's unique needs.

**This booklet contains information about the Emergency and Transitional Housing Program (ETH) partners with sites throughout New York City.**

Call or email the program provider for more information or to make a referral.

# PROVIDERS AND TARGET POPULATIONS:

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## Housing Works

18+ years old; gender inclusive, substance use, mental health, chronic medical conditions, SARA compliant

Location: **Queens**



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## *Justice Works*



18+ years old, identify as a woman or Transgender or Gender NonConforming person (TGNC)

Location: **Brooklyn & Queens**

\**Justice Works* is a consortium of 3 housing providers: HousingPlus, Providence House and Hour Children

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## Fortune Society

18+ years old who reside in NYC and are experiencing homelessness or housing instability and criminal justice involvement.

Location: **Bronx, Brooklyn & Manhattan**



# ► HOUSING WORKS

**Borough(s):** 3 sites in Queens

**Population:** Adults aged 18 or older, gender inclusive who are experiencing homelessness. Must have been released from the NYC DOC or NYS DOCCS custody within the last 12 months and/or enrolled in an ATI, ATD, pretrial supervision program, or other diversion or reentry program.

**Special Populations:** Individuals who identify as LGBTQPIA+, individuals in need of SARA compliant housing and "High Acuity" services where they have one or more chronic medical conditions (e.g., Asthma, Diabetes, Heart Disease, HIV/AIDS, Hepatitis C, mental health-related diagnosis, substance use disorder(s), etc.).

## Services:

- Housing
- SARA Compliant Housing
- Food and Nutrition Services
- Permanent Housing Placement

## Service residents will have access to:

- Alternative to Incarceration (ATI) Program Adult
- Day Health Care
- Behavioral health services (substance use Primary
- Care Medical Services (provided at the high-acuity hotel and/or for those in need or request it)  
Case management
- Group and individual counseling  
(provided at the high-acuity hotel and/or for those in need or request it)

## Job training

- Two-week job training program
- Vocational counseling
- Resume and cover letter development
- Employment placement assistance
- Employment retention support

**Youth and prevention services** (connects youth and young adults that identify as MSM or TGNC POC with the following):

- Sex and health education
- Provide rapid HIV/Hep C testing/ST! screening
- On-site/virtual support groups
- Linkages to care
- Case management

## Referral Process:

To make a referral, please complete the [Housing Works ETH Referral Form](#).

**For more information visit** <https://www.housingworks.org/services/justice-initiatives> or reach out to:

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# ► THE FORTUNE SOCIETY

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**Borough(s):** Bronx, Brooklyn, and Manhattan

**Population:** Adults aged 18 or older who are NYC residents, experiencing homelessness or housing instability and criminal justice involvement. Preference to those released from the NYC DOC or NYS DOCCS custody within the least 12 months.

## **Services:**

- Housing rules (i.e. curfew)
- Housing programming (i.e. AM/PM focus groups and community meetings)
- Willingness to engage in behavioral health treatment, if so indicated
- Permanent Housing Placement

## **Service residents will have access to:**

- Benefits enrollment assistance
- Case management

## **Outpatient substance use and mental health treatment through Fortune-run clinics and through referrals to external community providers.**

- Assessment
- Psychiatric evaluation
- Individual and group therapy
- Art therapy
- Medication management
- Health screening

- Medication-assisted treatment
- Care management and connections to external healthcare providers
- Creative Arts

## **Employment services**

- Employment readiness workshops
- Sector-based skills training
- Paid internships
- Job placement assistance
- Retention services

## **Education services**

- Literacy skills
- High School Equivalency diploma test prep

## **Family services**

- Abusive partner intervention services
- Fatherhood Program
- Women's programming

## **Referral Process:**

- Referral source completes Pre-Screen Form
- Fortune staff conduct full screening and collect any supporting documentation
- Housing packet reviewed by Fortune staff and placement decision made within 24-48 hours

**For more information** visit <https://fortunesociety.org/> or reach out to: [TRHPreferrals@fortunesociety.org](mailto:TRHPreferrals@fortunesociety.org)

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# ► JUSTICE WORKS

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**HOUSING PLUS SOLUTIONS** | Providence House, Hour Children

**Boroughs:** Bronx, Brooklyn, Manhattan, Queens

**Population:** Adults aged 18 or older, who identify as a woman or Transgender or Gender Non-Conforming (TGNC) who are experiencing homelessness. Must have been released from the NYC DOC or DOCCS custody within the least 12 months, and/or enrolled in an ATI, ATD, pretrial supervision or other diversion or reentry program.

**Services:**

- Housing
- Food and Nutrition Services
- Permanent Housing Placement

**Service residents will have access to:**

- Attachment Therapy
- Cognitive Behavioral Therapy
- Creative Arts Therapy
- Dialectical Behavior Therapy

- Exercise (e.g., trauma-informed yoga)
- Individual and group counseling
- Medication management
- Mental health services
- Parenting support
- Play therapy
- Transportation assistance
- Assistance finding permanent housing

**Referral Process:**

Submit an online referral by completing the Justice Works Referral Program Consent Forms.

*Note: If Correctional Health records or similar medical and behavioral health history are available, they should be submitted with the referral form in order to make the best determination on placement location.*

**For more information** visit <https://housingplusnyc.org/programs/> or reach out to:

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