



The Housing and Community Development Department (HCD) plays a lead role in the development of housing and programs to serve the county's low and moderate income households, homeless, and disabled populations. HCD maintains and expands housing opportunities for low- and moderate-income persons and families in the county by:

Preserving the county's housing stock through rehabilitation and repair assistance programs.

Expanding the supply of affordable housing for lower income renters and owners, including first-time homebuyers.

Serving the needs of the homeless community as the lead agency in the countywide homeless collaborative and partnering with homeless service providers.

Revitalizing low-income neighborhoods by installing sidewalks and public accessibility improvements, and by constructing neighborhood-serving facilities.



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## Short Term Housing Assistance

### Are you living with HIV/AIDS and at Risk of losing your housing?

The HOPWA funded Short-Term Rent/Mortgage and Utility (STRMU) Assistance Program for persons living with HIV+ provides up to 21 weeks of short-term rental/mortgage and/or utility assistance to help currently housed HIV+ low income persons stay housed. The maximum amount of assistance received varies per client depending on tenant need and funds available.

### Participant Eligibility

STRMU is designed to be a short-term, needs-based intervention to prevent homelessness for persons who are HIV+. As such, individuals must meet the following additional criteria in order to receive STRMU assistance:

- Low-income (below 80% area median income (AMI))
- Documented HIV/AIDS status (confidentiality will be maintained)
- Client must be currently housed – homeless individuals are not eligible for STRMU assistance. Assistance is provided to help households maintain their current place of residence.
- Client must live in Alameda County.
- Client must be currently named as a tenant under the written lease (if renting), or own the home (named on the Deed of Trust for the address seeking subsidy).
- Client must be a US Citizen or have lawful immigrant status.

*Note: STRMU program cannot assist persons in foreclosure proceedings. STRMU assistance for homeowners MUST be requested BEFORE a notice of foreclosure has been filed on address seeking subsidy.*

### Eligible Costs

In order to be eligible for assistance, clients must be able to prove HIV+ status and have an eligible qualifying "emergency need". The following costs are allowable:

- Rent: back rent and late fees
- Mortgage: mortgage in arrears, late fees, taxes, insurance and other fees if escrowed
- Basic utilities (Water, Sewer, Garbage, Gas and Electricity)

### How to Apply

Application materials are available online at:  
<http://www.acgov.org/cda/hcd/hiv-aids-housing/>

For questions, or to request paper applications please email [strum@acgov.org](mailto:strum@acgov.org) or call Ms. Walker at **510-670-5971**

### Completed Applications should be turned in to:

Alameda County Housing and Community Development

**Trina Walker -STRMU Coordinator**  
224 W. Winton Ave,  
Room 108  
Hayward CA, 94544

