



Bridges RTC Housing Vouchers for Individuals Leaving AMRTC and the Forensic Mental Health Program – Contact Information FY2024-2025

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 bwester@co.scott.mn.us 612.430.2958

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, Housing Services Lead, Behavioral Health Division at DHS Adult Mental Health at 651.431.2252; gary.m.travis@state.mn.us.

To reach one of the facilities, please contact:

Jayme Lopuch MSW, LICSW; Director of Social Work, Anoka Metro Regional Treatment Center jayme.a.lopuch@state.mn.us or 651.431.5047

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The Transition to Community initiative was established to reduce the time that individuals remain at the Anoka Metro Regional Treatment Center (AMRTC) or the Forensic Mental Health Program (FMHP) (fka St. Peter Regional Treatment Center-SPRTC) after they no longer need the services offered by those facilities. By providing additional funding to cover community-based services and 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.

The initiative, which was established in 2013, provides access to a range of services, including home and community-based waivers, flexible grant funding, and contracts with providers and counties.

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

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