



Are you homeless or at risk for becoming homeless?

If you answered yes, you may qualify for short-term Homelessness Prevention & Rapid Re-Housing (HPRP) assistance through *Project Re-Connect*

Funded by the State of California through the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA), this project addresses the needs of households who are struggling with homelessness or at risk of eviction. HPRP offers help with security deposits, utilities, moving costs, rent and other housing related services.

The minimum eligibility requirements include:

- 1. Initial Consultation & Eligibility Determination:** the household must receive at least an initial consultation and eligibility assessment with a case manager or other authorized representative who can determine eligibility and the appropriate type of assistance needed;
- 2. Income:** the household's total income must be at or below 50 percent of Area Median Income;
- 3. Housing Status:** the household must be either homeless (to receive rapid re-housing assistance) **OR** at risk of losing its housing (to receive homelessness prevention assistance); **AND** must meet the following circumstances:
 - a. No appropriate subsequent housing options have been identified;
 - b. The household lacks the financial resources to obtain immediate housing or remain in its existing housing; and
 - c. The household lacks support networks needed to obtain immediate housing or remain in its existing housing.

How to find out if you qualify for HPRP assistance through Project Re-Connect:

- If you already receive services through the programs listed below, **talk to your case manager** about a referral and an appointment to apply for Re-Connect.

Homeless Persons' Health Project (HPHP)	Page Smith Community House
River Street Shelter	Homeless Services Center (HSC)
Salvation Army	Paul Lee Loft
Health Services Agency Mental Health or Substance Abuse Programs	
- **Contact the Re-Connect Housing Support Specialist**, Tiffany Lake, at HSC 458-6020 Ext.4112
- **To begin an application** for Re-Connect, you will need an in-person appointment:
 - At Front Street Housing, Inc. -- (831) 420-0120 (if you are an adult **without** children)
 - At Santa Cruz Community Counseling Center – Housing Coordinator, Rebecca Gonzales (831) 459-0444 Ext.218 (if on your 16th birthday or after you were in Foster Care or probation placement)

