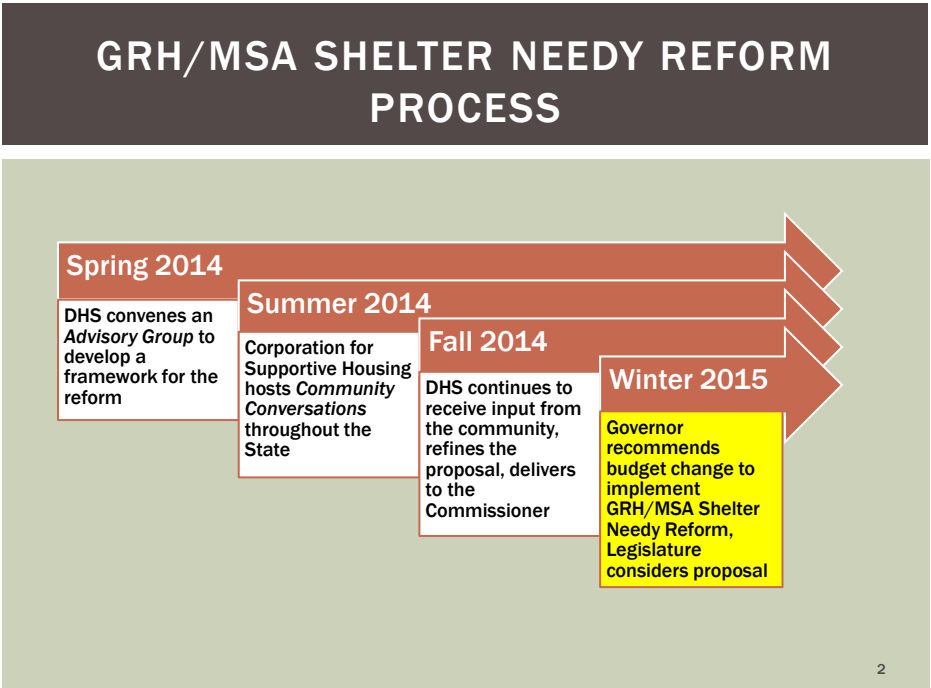


HOUSING AND SUPPORTIVE SERVICES FOR PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES

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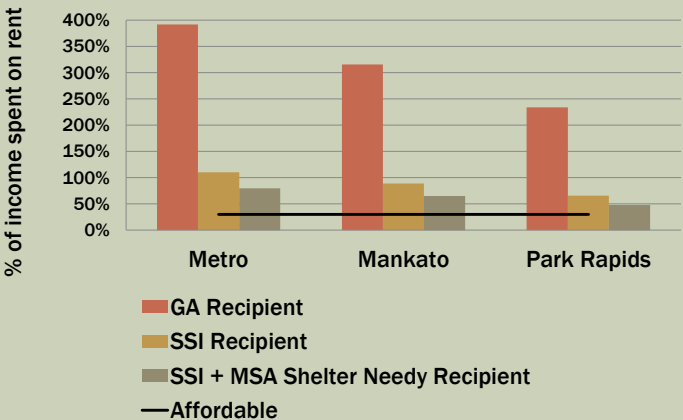
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HOUSING AND SUPPORTIVE SERVICES TODAY

Housing in the community is not affordable to people with disabilities and older adults.

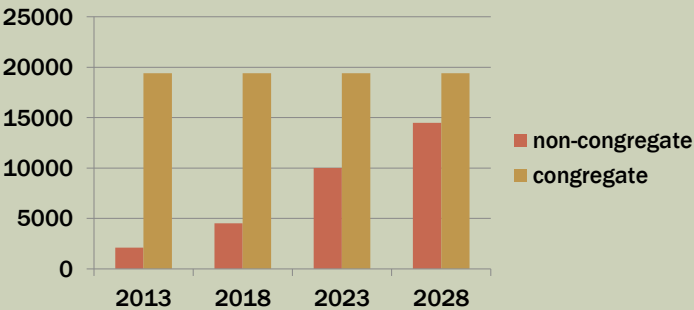


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Only a small portion of people receiving income supplements live in non-congregate settings.

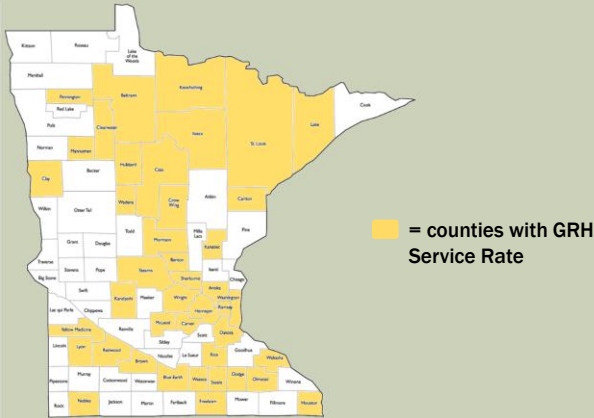
Living situation of income-supplement recipients



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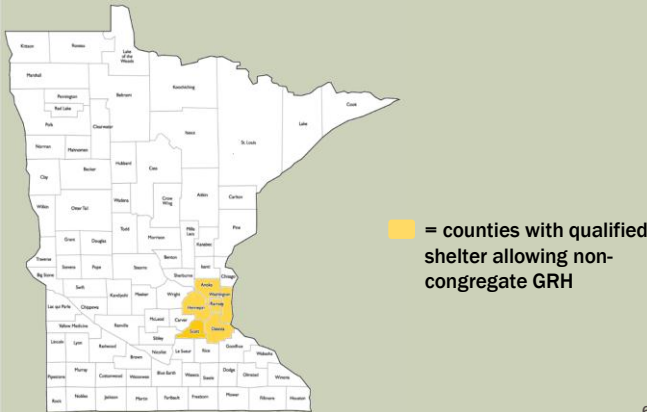
- Individuals in half of Minnesota counties cannot access GRH Services.



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HOUSING AND SUPPORTIVE SERVICES TODAY

- Individuals living outside the metro area cannot access non-congregate GRH Housing



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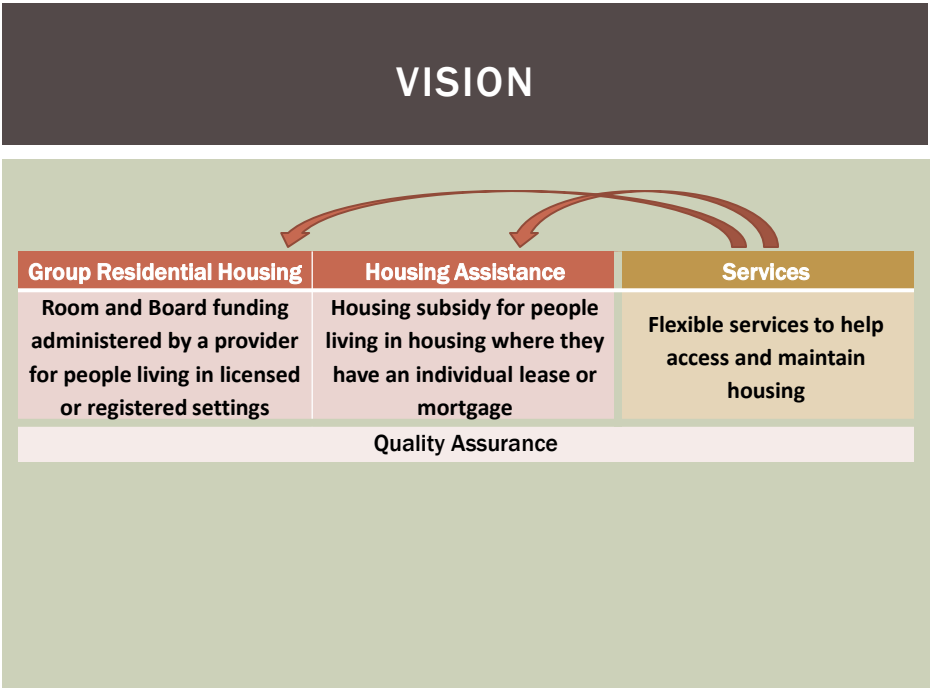
- State has not defined monitoring roles and authority, leading to inconsistent quality and potential for harm, fraud and misuse of state funds

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MANDATES FOR CHANGE

- Residents, family members, would-be residents
- Counties, advocates, providers
- Minnesota's Olmstead Plan
- State Plan to Prevent and End Homelessness
- Legislated GRH Service Rate Study
- Office of the Legislative Auditor Report

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- PROPOSAL ELEMENTS**
- **Simplification**
Simplify program rules and assure consistent access to housing and services across all counties
 - **Quality Assurance**
Ensure quality services and housing for people with disabilities
 - **Olmstead Plan Implementation**
Provide Housing Assistance for people to live where they want to live, and allow Housing Assistance recipients to receive services to stabilize and maintain their housing
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SIMPLIFICATION

Administration

- Standardize GRH agreements
- Allow Tribes to enter into GRH agreements
- Simplify license requirements for supportive housing settings

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SIMPLIFICATION

Eligibility

- Standardize GRH Service Plans
- Simplify individual eligibility for receiving GRH Services in supportive housing settings
- Clarify bases of eligibility and verification process
- Align GRH with other cash programs

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SIMPLIFICATION

Payments

- Automate overpayment tracking
- Simplify budgeting and reporting for people who work
- Clarify countable income

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QUALITY ASSURANCE

New quality standards

- Clarify room and board expectations
- Implement minimum provider qualifications
- Add habitability inspections for unlicensed/registered settings

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QUALITY ASSURANCE

Increase monitoring and oversight

- At the State
 - Internal Audits team
 - GRH Trainer
 - GRH Policy Support
 - Conditions of payment
 - Allocation to counties for increase oversight role
- At Counties and Tribes
 - Partner with providers to collect verification of quality standards

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OLMSTEAD PLAN IMPLEMENTATION

Implement Olmstead Plan Housing Goal, Action Three by ensuring people can use income supplements in the **most integrated setting** of their choice.

Housing Assistance

- Benefit:
 - up to Fair Market Rent minus 40% countable income
 - includes personal needs allowance
 - paid directly to landlord/mortgage/utility

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OLMSTEAD PLAN IMPLEMENTATION

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Housing Assistance

■ Setting:

- unlicensed/unregistered
- person is responsible for meals
- individual lease or mortgage
- passes habitability inspection
- no programmatic restrictions that could result in eviction

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OLMSTEAD PLAN IMPLEMENTATION

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Housing Assistance

■ Eligibility:

- eligible for GRH
- housing costs more than 40% countable income
- exiting an institution or a GRH setting within the last 90 days, or converting from GRH or MSA Shelter Needy in their own home

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GRH Supplemental Services

- Expansion Individual Eligibility:
 - receiving Housing Assistance
 - not receiving waived services or personal care services

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GRH Supplemental Services

- Expansion Provider Eligibility:
 - GRH agreement with a county or tribe
 - standard service rate
- All GRH Service Provider Eligibility:
 - enrolled in provider enrollment

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OLMSTEAD PLAN IMPLEMENTATION

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Assess GRH Service categories and rates in coordination with DHS’s Adult Mental Health rate restructure efforts.

IMPLEMENTATION

	Phase I (2015)	Phase 2 (2016)	Phase 3 (2017)
Quality Assurance	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Increase monitoring and oversight• New room and board standards	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• New minimum staff qualifications	
Simplify	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Standardize GRH contract• Simplify license requirements for supportive housing	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Clarify individual eligibility and verification• Begin 6-month budgeting and reporting	
Housing Assistance			<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Implement Housing Assistance
Service expansion	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Simplify eligibility for supportive housing settings	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Simplify service authorization• Service providers enrolled and bill using MMIS	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Allow Housing Assistance recipients to receive GRH Services

QUESTIONS

- Ask questions using the chat field
- Presenters may answer some very in-depth questions by contacting the participant after the webinar to answer
- DHS will consider including some frequently asked questions in upcoming GRH/MSA Shelter Needy Updates

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THANK YOU

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