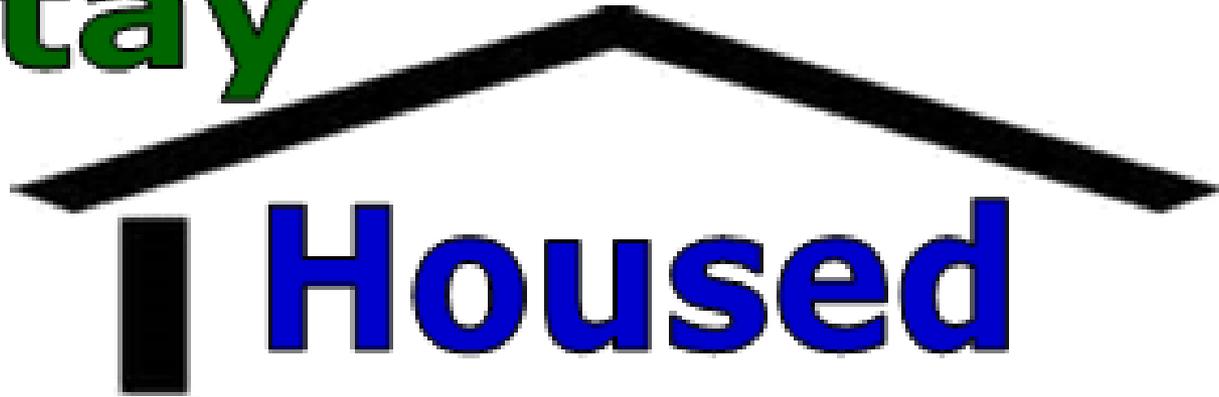


**Stay**



**Housed**

*A Self-Sufficiency Program*

September 3, 2019





***Stay Housed is the City of Fremont, Human Services Tenant Based Rental Assistance Program, designed to:***

- ▶ Assist individuals and families in staying housed
- ▶ Helps families confronted with a financial crisis from being evicted
- ▶ Provides time limited partial rental subsidies for up to 24 months as families transition from financial instability to self-sufficiency

# Who Qualifies for Stay Housed?

- ▶ Individuals and families facing a housing crisis with incomes at or below 60% of area median income (i.e. below \$66,960 for a family of 3 or below \$74,340 for a family of 4)
- ▶ Participation requires a plan to become self-sufficient within 24 months



# Tenants Participate in SparkPoint

*SparkPoint is a financial coaching and asset building initiative coordinated by United Way Bay Area*

Stay Housed clients work one-on-one with a SparkPoint financial coach to:

- ▶ Develop their action plan, including:
  - Budgeting and money management
  - Credit Repair
  - Increasing income
  - Saving for the future
  
- ▶ Connect clients with services provided by SparkPoint partner agencies, such as career coaching and training



# Referring Tenants to Stay Housed

**Tenants or individuals must attend a SparkPoint Information Session by calling (510) 574-2020.**

Eligibility is based on other factors:

- Income
- Current housing situation
- Other program requirements





## **36 families assisted since late 2013**

- ▶ 4 families are currently enrolled; and 32 families have exited the program
- ▶ 41% stabilized their economic situation and are now able to cover the cost of rent on their own
- ▶ 19% reached the maximum 24-month period, but now have the education and tools to better manage their finances
- ▶ 12% moved out of the Bay Area to affordable housing; or into shared housing
- ▶ 3% only needed assistance with deposit



# QUESTIONS?

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