What is a Housing Navigation Center?
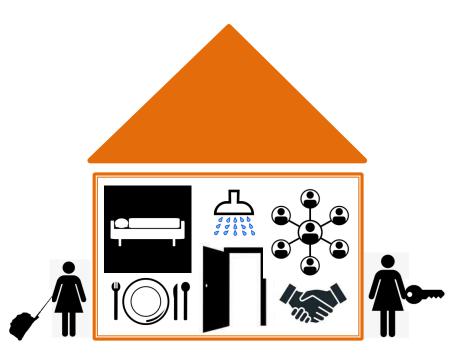
A Housing Navigation Center is a facility that transitions those experiencing homelessness into permanent housing and self-sufficiency through coordinated services.

- **No walk-ins**
- **Adults only**
- **Up to 6 month stay**
- **One-on-one intensive housing case management**
- **Linkages to other needed services**
- **Hygiene facilities**
- **Meal services**
- **Placement to permanent and supportive housing**
- **Management and operations plan**
- **24/7 staffing and security**
- **A safe, clean, calm and flexible environment to rebuild lives**

A Navigation Center provides comprehensive services including: health and wellness resources, employment assistance, substance abuse services, and counseling. Housing Navigators provide intensive case management and work with participants to connect them to stable income and permanent housing through advocacy, landlord liaisons, and housing search.

Participants and Housing Navigators assume a partnership in finding and applying for appropriate housing opportunities. Once placed, follow up services are provided to help stabilize participants in their new homes for nine months.

Comprehensive, ongoing services will be provided by an experienced non-profit service provider. This service provider will conduct intakes and make referrals to appropriate service agencies. Once intake is complete the Navigation Center will be responsible for participant care.

Some of the concerns that have been raised in recent petitions and city council meetings seem to be disingenuous. If you can live safely in your neighborhood with fault lines, road noise, landslide risks, gas pipelines, and traffic, the residents of a Navigation Center can too.

Neighbors of the existing Navigation Centers report that Navigation Centers do not have negative impacts on their community and, in many cases, reduce homelessness and improve a sense of safety in the area.

Our own police chief says that the Navigation Center will not increase crime and vouches for BACS as a responsible operator.