

HENNEPIN COUNTY RAPID EXIT BARRIER LEVELS

LEVEL 1—Zero to minimal barriers
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Relatively good rental history, no evictions• No criminal history• No active CD or domestic abuse issues
LEVEL 2—Moderate barriers
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Includes some of the following, but no criminal history, not more than 1 eviction and no active CD• No rental history and/or new to area• Large family and/or one-parent household• One explainable eviction• History of abuse but batterer not in area• Non-English speaking• No high school diploma• Physical disabilities affect housing• Needs financial help with moving, furniture, etc.• Head of household is under age 18
LEVEL 3—Serious barriers
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• May includes some Level 2 barriers AND:• Poor rental history (late payments, lease violations, minor property damage, up to 3 evictions)• Recently relocated from Chicago, Illinois• Recent minor drug or criminal history• Mild behavioral problems—adult or child• Male teenager in the home• Recent domestic violence, abuser is in the area• Just released from jail• History of substance abuse but not currently abusing drugs• Open Child Protection case
LEVEL 4—Long-Term Homeless Families
At least 4 documented episodes of homelessness in the past 3 years or at least one continuous year of homelessness. Usually includes barriers from Level 3 and/or 5.
LEVEL 5—Severe Barriers
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• May also include barriers from any Level above• Very poor rental history (may include judgments for unpaid rent, moderate to serious property damage, 4 or more evictions, serious lease violations)• Actively using drugs• Adult and/or child(ren) with severe behavioral problems• Recent serious criminal history• Current domestic violence or sexual abuse within family unit

**CHANGES IN HOUSING BARRIER LEVELS:
FAMILIES IN HENNEPIN COUNTY SHELTER
1993-2003**

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Few or no housing barriers	<u>40%</u> of all sheltered families	<u>0%</u> of all sheltered families
Significant Housing Barriers	<u>50%</u> of all sheltered families	<u>72%</u> of all sheltered families
Multiple, serious barriers, including one or more disabilities	<u>10%</u> of all sheltered families	<u>28%</u> of all sheltered families