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# Alaska Section 811 Project Rental Assistance Program

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## What is the Section 811 PRA Program?

- **Project-Based Rental Assistance**
  - Restricted to eligible units at eligible properties
- **Permanent Supported Housing**
  - Rental assistance is available to tenant until they are no longer able to retain independence
  - Re-certification required annually and/or when income changes +/- \$200 per month.
    - Tenants are able to age in place and do not lose eligibility at 62 years of age.
  - Support services are voluntary

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## Who is eligible for the program?

### Individuals who are:

- Extremely low income (30 percent below AMI) **and**
- Between the ages of 18-61 with a disability **and**
- Eligible for community-based long-term services **and**
- Meet the definition of Tier One **or** Tier Two

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## Who is eligible for the program?

**Tier 1:** Individuals currently in Assisted Living Homes, on state General Relief and supported by state general funds, and are appropriate candidates for independent supportive housing.

**Tier 2:** Individuals re-entering the community from institutional care: i.e. those discharged (within last 12 months) from an inpatient psychiatric or residential treatment facility, jail, or prison, long-term nursing home stay (over 6 months) or transition-age youth aging out of foster care or institutional settings.

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## How does someone apply?

- **Applicants Need a Sponsoring Agency**
  - Nonprofit providing case management and linkage to long-term services
    - Services are voluntary and not a condition of receiving Section 811 PRA
- **Three Steps to Housing**
  - Initial application sent to DHSS to determine program eligibility (Tier One, Tier Two)
  - HUD application that includes verification of income, criminal background, age and disability status
  - Landlord screening once the tenant selects a property

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For additional information

- Properties or Program Components

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- Sponsoring Agencies and Applicant Questions

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# Questions?