

**Goal: Improve and expand Housing for Homeless Children and Families  
and Supportive Services**

**Objective: Improve options for transitional housing to assist women and families, both through additional units and enhanced programs**

<b>Strategies</b>	<b>Responsible Person/ Agency</b>	<b>Target Date</b>	<b>Status 7/1/2010</b>
Maintain existing transitional housing units Assist grant development to devise and execute a plan for all existing transitional housing projects for sustainability.	All Directors of participating shelter agencies.	On-going	Ongoing
Develop economic justice program for women and youth utilizing transitional housing 1) Support efforts of agencies that are creating and implementing the curriculum.	Directors of participating shelter agencies.	11/2010	Not yet begun
Develop and implement life skills programs for youth aging out of foster care 1) Support the efforts of DCF workers who are working with the youth in Road to Independence program. 2) Assess needs of youth and assign appropriate mentors to teach life skills.	ED, Continuum of Care DCF ED, Children in Crisis	10/15/2010	Not yet begun
Develop partnership with Veterans Homeless project as it begins its operation.	ED, Opportunity, Inc.	9/15/2010	Not yet begun
Develop professional standards for transitional housing, with potential for creating certification process, to assist providers in gaining necessary operational funds	Transitional Housing Committee	9/1/2010	Not yet begun

**Objective: Establish transitional housing for youth aging out of foster care starting with a minimum of 8 bedrooms**

<b>Strategies</b>	<b>Responsible Person/ Agency</b>	<b>Target Date</b>	<b>Status 7/1/2009</b>
1) Assist grant development efforts in applying for Homeless Housing Assistance Grant set-aside for youth aging out of foster care, and other funding opportunities as they occur 2) Integrate project within referral network of Continuum of Care, providing assistance with service delivery as needed	1. ED, Children in Crisis 2. ED, Opportunity, Inc. 3. ED, Opportunity,	On-going	On-going

3) Devise and execute plan for project sustainability	Inc. 4. ED, Opportunity, Inc.		
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**Objective: Determine strategies for additional transitional housing**

<b>Strategies</b>	<b>Responsible Person/ Agency</b>	<b>Target Date</b>	<b>Status</b>
Maintain a committee using representatives from all applicable Shelter providers to prioritize transitional housing needs	Children & Families Services, Continuum of Care	8/1/2010	
Reinforce and expand community stakeholders for possible partnerships.	Transitional Housing Committee		
Reinforce and expand partnerships with property management businesses.	Transitional Housing Committee		
Host a training or panel discussion about transitional housing at Continuum of Care Meeting	Transitional Housing Committee	11/1/2010	
Awaiting the opening of Waterfront Mission Women & Children’s shelter	Waterfront Mission	TBA	In progress
Investigate possibility of including transitional housing in HUD grant for 2010 in	Executive Director,	11/1/2010	Planning

addition to permanent supportive housing	Opportunity, Inc.		
Advertise RFP for potential HUD funding for service provider to meet guidelines set by HUD	Executive Director, Opportunity, Inc.	11/1/2010	Not yet begun
Continue to pursue additional sources for transitional housing expansion, to include SAMHSA funds for transitional housing for domestic violence victims through Bridgeway Center and Shelter House; Homeless Housing Assistance Grant Funds through Florida Department of Children and Families	Individual directors, transitional housing programs	7/1/2010	Accomplished
Utilize homeless prevention/ rapid re-housing funds to assist more families into transitional housing situations, in concert with transitional, emergency and homeless prevention providers	Executive Director, Opportunity, Inc.	On-going	