

HUD DEFINITION OF CHRONIC HOMELESSNESS

- (1) An individual who:
 - (i) Is homeless and lives in a place not meant for human habitation, a safe haven or in an emergency shelter; and
 - (ii) Has been homeless and living or residing in a place not meant for human habitation, a safe haven or in an emergency shelter continuously for at least one (1) year or on at least four (4) separate occasions in the last three (3) years; and
 - (iii) Can be diagnosed with one (1) or more of the following conditions: substance use disorder, serious mental illness, developmental disability (as defined in section 102 of the Developmental Disabilities Assistance Bill of Rights Act of 2000 (42 U.S.C. 15002)), post-traumatic stress disorder, cognitive impairments resulting from brain injury or chronic physical illness or disability;
- (2) An individual who has been residing in an institutional care facility, including a jail, substance abuse or mental health treatment facility, hospital, or other similar facility, for fewer than ninety (90) days and met all of the criteria in paragraph (1) of this definition, before entering that facility; or
- (3) A family with an adult head of household (or if there is no adult in the family, a minor head of household) who meets all of the criteria in paragraph (1) of this definition, including a family whose composition has fluctuated while the head of household has been homeless.