## **G-PATH Program**

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# **GPATH**

GREENE COUNTY'S

PROJECTS

FOR



Homelessness

Provided by
Greene County Human Services Housing Program

#### **GOAL**

To help reduce the homeless population in our Community by conducting mobile outreach and providing assessment, crisis intervention, and resource referral to homeless individuals and families. Services are provided under the Greene County OMHSAS PATH Grant.

#### **Identifying Clients**

Any resident of Greene County who is homeless or at risk of homelessness is eligible.

Clients are identified through direct outreach activities and through reports/referrals from shelters, police, church, human service providers, people within the Community and individuals themselves.

#### Outreach

Can occur in a community setting in which literally homeless persons frequent such as shelters, churches, soup kitchens, food banks and including streets.

The Outreach Specialist will assess all referrals for appropriate community resources, including for referral to the G-PATH Peer Specialist Program at Greene Arc, Inc.

#### What can G-PATH Program offer?

- G-PATH Housing Outreach Specialist will initiate face to face contact and establish a working interaction with a homeless or at risk of being homeless individual or family providing assistance with attaining adequate shelter and access to needed services, after a referral is made.
- Housing Outreach Specialist will work together with an individual by:
  - \* Completing an intake form that will determine eligibility for services.
  - \* Enrollment in program after individuals or families agreed-to services.
  - \* Maintaining a Contact Log/Service Notes which includes assessment & next steps/plan.

This will show individual need to sustain in a new living environment. Individual will then be referred to appropriate services.

\* Follow up calls will be conducted insuring individuals have utilized services that were provided and to insure housing needs are met.

#### The HEARTH Act

Under the Hearth Act the first priority is to assist with Homeless Prevention. GPATH will focus on referrals to prevention resources with an emphasis on rapid rehousing.