

**Department of Family and Aging Services
Division of Health and Social Services**



Homeless Prevention Services

Throughout Hillsborough County, residents can apply for assistance with shelter costs to avoid eviction and homelessness. At each of the five neighborhood service centers strategically located throughout the County, case managers can determine eligibility for rent or mortgage payments payable directly to landlords or mortgage companies. The duration of the assistance varies with each case scenario the client presents. For clients experiencing an unforeseen hardship that has temporarily depleted their resources, the assistance may be for one month. For clients facing a longer term need for assistance based on disability, the assistance may be extended throughout the length of the disability.

In all situations, the client and case manager will develop a plan by which the client returns to self-sufficiency and assistance with shelter costs will be rendered only if the client complies with the case plan.