Denver Human Services
Family Reunification Program

For a family, senior or other individual who is homeless, the stability of housing and a support system of family can be life changing.

When Denver County homeless families and individuals want to reunite with family in another city, but lack the financial means to do so on their own, the Family Reunification Program offers them transportation support.

The process is similar to transportation assistance programs offered in many other cities. Programs like the National Runaway Safeline offer assistance for homeless and runaway youth, including youth victims of human trafficking.

The Reunification Process

Apply in Person
Individuals apply in person at Denver Human Services (DHS) locations or with a Homeless Outreach Team member located at community sites.

Applicants contact the family member with whom they will live and receive support.

Meet with a Case Manager
Once the family member is identified, the Outreach Case Coordinator (OCC) will reach out directly to them to explain the program rules and expectations.

The family member providing support must confirm they understand and consent to the program guidelines, via phone with the OCC.

Meet the Requirements
Eligibility for the Family Reunification Program is limited. Applicants must disclose contact information for the individuals with whom they will be residing so that a program case worker can contact them and explain the program requirements in detail.

Applicants only qualify for the program once and do not qualify it the family member cannot be contacted, confirmed or declines.

Applicants will also be considered ineligible if they are receiving TANF, SSI/SSDI, other cash assistance or are able-bodied.

Other Programs Nationally
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