A DVPHA placement coordinator will screen potential residents to determine if they are appropriate for the FTHA Program. If deemed eligible, residents are then interviewed in a prospective provider’s home to ascertain mutual compatibility.

The program is completely voluntary. Both parties must express their consent before a placement is considered complete. Residents are not placed above the second floor unless the building has an elevator.

For further information on placement in a FTHA facility please contact the Placement Intake Coordinator at 212-971-2615 or 212-971-0139.
WHO WE ARE

Family-Type Homes for Adults (FTHA) is a part of the Division of Voluntary Proprietary Homes for Adults (DVPHA).

FTHA provides state-licensed homes to persons with disabilities who are homeless or in need of a home where care and supervision are provided.

These homes are New York State licensed facilities operated by experienced providers of quality care in a secure and nurturing environment. Facilities are licensed by the NYS Office of Children and Family Services, and monitored by the NYC Department of Adult Protective Services.

WHO ARE THE PROVIDERS?

FTHA providers offer a comfortable, home-like atmosphere to residents requiring in-home supportive services. Although specialized education and experience are not required, many providers have backgrounds in medical support services. Providers must be 21 years or older and may either rent or own the house or apartment in which they provide the required care and services.

FTHA providers are required to be in good health; hold certification in CPR or another First Aid Training course; demonstrate fluency in English; and have income sufficient to meet all household expenses.

In addition a provider’s home:
• Must meet all State and City housing and fire inspection requirements and,
• Must be clean and safe.

FTHA homes are located in New York City and are limited to no more than four (4) residents within a one or two family dwelling, or within an apartment building. Providers are compensated for their services at a pre-determined rate.

ABOUT THE RESIDENTS AND ELIGIBILITY

To be considered for FTHA housing an individual must be at least 18 years old, mentally impaired and attending a day treatment program, physically or developmentally disabled, and unable to live independently without semi-protective care. FTHA residents are not confined to their homes, and many are able to attend sheltered workshops, schools and take part in other community-based activities. FTHA residents cannot be wheelchair bound, bed-ridden or have a history of:
• Substance abuse*
• Non-compliance with medication and treatment**
• Arson
• Verbal and/or abusive behavior
• Imprisonment

Referrals to the FTHA program typically come from hospitals, doctors, public and private agencies, friends, neighbors and community social work networks.

* Persons must be at least five years clean or sober while living in the community.
** Individuals with a diagnosis of developmental disability or mental illness must attend a day treatment program

How To Reach Us

Our office is located at 400 Eighth Avenue, 8th Floor, (Between 29th and 30th Streets), New York, NY 10001.

For additional information about the FTHA Program call 311 or visit our website at www.nyc.gov/hra/ttc.

To become a FTHA Provider, contact the Application Intake Coordinator at: 212-971-0142.

To make a referral to the FTHA program, call 212-971-2930.

Providers are required to offer the following services;
• Furnished Room
• Laundry and Housekeeping
• Three meals a day
• Mediation Reminders
• Assist with doctors appointments