

# OHS Procedure for Placement of Sexual Offenders

The Office of Homeless Services (OHS) will implement the following procedures at the OHS intakes to assess placement opportunities for all households and Sex Offenders presenting for emergency housing assistance:

## Intake Process for Single Adults

1. All heads of households and/or persons who are at least 18 years and above, requesting emergency housing placement, will be asked if they have been convicted of a crime that has been categorized as a sex offense on the Megan's Law Website.
2. Social Work staff will, as part of the intake reception, check the Megan's Law Website to determine if the individual is registered on the website. Once it is determined that the single adult is a Lifetime or 10-Year Registrant the following placement process will be implemented:

### Lifetime Registrants:

- a. Any single adult who has been registered under the category of Lifetime Registration will not be placed in any emergency housing site where there is a day care center or other children's services.
- b. Single adult Lifetime registrants will be placed at an emergency housing site where it is permissible for her/him to be accommodated within the OHS single adult system.

### 10-Year Registrants:

- a. Any single adult who has been registered under the category of 10 Year Registration will not be placed at any emergency housing site where there is a day care or other children's services.
- b. 10 Year Registrants will be placed at an emergency housing site where it is permissible for her/him to be accommodated within the OHS single adult system.

## Intake Process for Adults with Children

1. All heads of households and/or persons who are at least 18 years of age and above requesting emergency housing placement will be asked if they have been convicted for a crime that has been categorized as a sex offense on the Megan's Law Website.
2. Social Work staff will, as part of the intake reception, check the Megan's Law Website to determine if the individual is registered on the website. Once it is determined that the adult in the family is a Lifetime or 10 Year Registrant, the following process will be implemented:

### Lifetime/10 Year Registrants

#### Male Headed Households

- a. Any male-headed household with children who has been confirmed to be a Lifetime or 10 Year Registrant will not be placed in any emergency housing program that houses families.
- b. Intake staff will refer the household for prevention/diversion services

### **Female Headed Households**

- a. Any female headed household with children who has been confirmed to be a Lifetime or 10 Year Registrant will not be placed in any emergency housing program that houses families.
- b. Intake staff will refer the household for prevention/diversion services