

# Housing Assistance and Life-skills Education H.A.L.E.

#### WHAT IS H.A.L.E?

H.A.L.E. is a program that assists individuals and families to live successfully in permanent housing.

H.A.L.E. serves clients who lack a regular and adequate nighttime residence, which means:

- A residence not meant for human habitation
- Living in a shelter, transitional housing, hotel/motel paid by agency/government
- Exiting an Institution after 90 days or less <u>and</u> prior housing was any of the above locations
- Fleeing or attempting to flee domestic violence with no other residence and lacking the resources and supports for permanent housing
- Residence will be lost in 14 days of the date of application for homeless assistance and no other residence can be identified (legal eviction notice required)

In addition clients **must**:

- Be employed
- Fall within 200% of the federal poverty level.
- Be willing to work with a case manager
- Participate in living skills work shops

#### WHAT H.A.L.E. PROVIDES

H.A.L.E. assists clients in 3 ways:

- They receive a rent subsidy each month based on their income and housing expenses.
- They are assigned a case manager who provides them with the support and direction they'll need to find and maintain permanent housing and increase skills and income.
- They attend monthly educational workshops on topics such as budgeting, saving on utility bills, jobhunting and other basic lifeskills.



## **OUTCOMES**

- Clients obtain life skills, such as budgeting and stress management.
- Clients learn ways to increase their income.
- Clients are connected to community services, such as counseling and government assistance.

## APPLICATION PROCESS

Those who meet the eligibility requirements and are interested in applying can contact H.A.L.E. at:

(315) 479-1307 or 479-1134

A case manager can explain the benefits of the program as well as the clients' responsibilities.

Those who are eligible are required to fill out an application and submit income verification from all sources. The last four weeks of pay stubs are also required.

## PROGRAM LOCATION

The Salvation Army's Office of Emergency & Practical Assistance Services:

667 South Salina Street Syracuse, NY 13202 (Enter on Linden Street at the red door in the rear of the building)

Hours: Monday - Friday 8:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.