

**Appendix E.**

**Item-by-Item Justification for  
Baseline Survey Instrument**

Q #	Question	Source	Uses	Justification
<b>Section A</b>				
<b>Pre-Shelter Housing</b>				
A1	Which of the following best describes your living situation right before you came to [SHELTER NAME]?	Adapted from Transitional Housing Study	Used to establish pre-shelter housing type and location. Used to describe study sample	Pre-shelter housing history provides input for the homelessness risk index. It is also important as a source of contact information that may be useful for contacting families during the follow up period for the tracking and follow up interviews.
A1a-p.	Would you say you were staying in...? (Several responses including house or apartment that you owned or rented, a friend or relative's house or apartment, a voucher hotel or motel, a shelter.)	Adapted from Transitional Housing Study		
A2	How long [did you stay there/were you living there] before coming to [NAME OF SHELTER]?	New	Covariates (baseline) Outcomes: Pre-shelter housing stability. Also can be used to define subgroups	The study interventions may affect housing stability by providing housing subsidy and supportive services to promote stability. Questions on housing stability at baseline and prior to random assignment can be used to define subgroups and to provide a baseline measure of housing stability.
A3	What was your street address right before you came to [SHELTER NAME]?		A3a-A3e is used as possible source of contact information	
A3a.	Was there a complex/building name?			
A3b.	Was there an apartment number?			
A3c.	What city did you live in?			
A3d.	What state did you live in?			
A3e.	What is the zip code?			
A4.	How many months or years has it been since you had a regular place to stay, or regular housing? By "a regular place to stay" or "regular housing" I am referring to a house, apartment, room, or other housing where you could stay 30 days or more in the same place.	Adapted from National Survey of Homeless Assistance Providers and Clients (NSHAPC)	Covariates (baseline) Outcomes: Pre-shelter housing stability. Also can be used to define subgroups	The study interventions may affect housing stability by providing housing subsidy and supportive services to promote stability. Questions on housing stability at baseline and prior to random assignment can be used to define subgroups and to provide a baseline measure of housing stability.
A4a.	How many months has it been since you had a regular place to stay, or regular housing?	Adapted from National Survey of Homeless Assistance Providers and Clients (NSHAPC)	Covariates (baseline) Outcomes: Housing stability. Measure length of time since most recent stable housing	
A5.	What is the address of that place?		Address of most recent regular housing can be used to provide contact information	The success of the follow-up survey data collection depends on maintaining locating information. Collecting contact information at baseline is an important goal for the baseline survey.

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<b>Section B Housing Barriers</b>				
B1	There are many things that can make finding a place to live difficult. I'm going to read a list of reasons why some people may have trouble finding housing. Please tell me if you think this is a big problem, small problem, or no problem at all for you?	Strengthening At-Risk and Homeless Young Mothers and Children Initiative Evaluation (Cunningham).	These questions (B1a to B1s) will be used to describe the housing barriers for the study sample. They can also be used to define subgroups for the impact analysis. These items may also be used in developing the homelessness risk index.	A baseline measure of housing barriers is needed to describe the study sample and can also be used to define subgroups. The interventions may be hypothesized to have varying impacts for families depending on the kinds of barriers they face to secure housing.
B1a.	Not having enough income to pay rent a...	Strengthening At-Risk and Homeless Young Mothers and Children Initiative Evaluation (Cunningham).		
B1b.	Inability to pay a security deposit a	Strengthening At-Risk and Homeless Young Mothers and Children Initiative Evaluation (Cunningham).		
B1c.	Lack of transportation to look for units a	Strengthening At-Risk and Homeless Young Mothers and Children Initiative Evaluation (Cunningham).		
B1d.	Poor credit history a	Strengthening At-Risk and Homeless Young Mothers and Children Initiative Evaluation (Cunningham).		
B1e.	Racial discrimination a	Strengthening At-Risk and Homeless Young Mothers and Children Initiative Evaluation (Cunningham).		
B1f.	Not currently employed a	Strengthening At-Risk and Homeless Young Mothers and Children Initiative Evaluation (Cunningham).		
B1g.	No rent history a	Strengthening At-Risk and Homeless Young Mothers and Children Initiative Evaluation (Cunningham).		
B1h.	No local rent history or recently moved to community a	Strengthening At-Risk and Homeless Young Mothers and Children Initiative Evaluation (Cunningham).		
B1i.	No reference from past landlords a...	Strengthening At-Risk and Homeless Young Mothers and Children Initiative Evaluation (Cunningham).		
B1j.	A Past eviction(s) a	Strengthening At-Risk and Homeless Young Mothers and Children Initiative Evaluation (Cunningham).		

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B1k.	Problems with past landlords a...	Strengthening At-Risk and Homeless Young Mothers and Children Initiative Evaluation (Cunningham).		
B1l.	Past lease violations a...	Strengthening At-Risk and Homeless Young Mothers and Children Initiative Evaluation (Cunningham).		
B1m.	Having problems with police a...	Strengthening At-Risk and Homeless Young Mothers and Children Initiative Evaluation (Cunningham).		
B1n.	Having a criminal record or background a...	Strengthening At-Risk and Homeless Young Mothers and Children Initiative Evaluation (Cunningham).		
B1o.	Having three or more children in the household a...	Strengthening At-Risk and Homeless Young Mothers and Children Initiative Evaluation (Cunningham).		
B1p.	Having teenagers in the household a...	Strengthening At-Risk and Homeless Young Mothers and Children Initiative Evaluation (Cunningham).		
B1q.	Someone in the household under 21 years old a...	Strengthening At-Risk and Homeless Young Mothers and Children Initiative Evaluation (Cunningham).		
B1r.	Someone in the household that has a disability a...	Strengthening At-Risk and Homeless Young Mothers and Children Initiative Evaluation (Cunningham).		
B1s.	Not having enough income to pay rent a...	Strengthening At-Risk and Homeless Young Mothers and Children Initiative Evaluation (Cunningham).		

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<b>Section C</b>				
<b>Homelessness History</b>				
C1	How many times, including this time right now, have you been homeless, in your lifetime?	Adapted from the Center for Mental Health Services and the Center for Substance Abuse Treatment (CMHS/CSAT) Homeless Families Evaluation Homelessness History Module	Homelessness history questions in Section C will be used to describe study sample; define subgroups; provide covariates (baseline) outcomes; history of homelessness episodes.	Homelessness history is needed to establish the family need index.
C2	How old were you the first time you became homeless?	Adapted from the Center for Mental Health Services and the Center for Substance Abuse Treatment (CMHS/CSAT) Homeless Families Evaluation Homelessness History Module		Age at first episode of homelessness and whether with or separated from parents at the time of the first episode is important for establishing the family need index.
C3	Would you say that you were 17 years old or younger?	Adapted from the Center for Mental Health Services and the Center for Substance Abuse Treatment (CMHS/CSAT) Homeless Families Evaluation Homelessness History Module		
C4	At that time, were you with your parent, or were you on your own?	Adapted from the Center for Mental Health Services and the Center for Substance Abuse Treatment (CMHS/CSAT) Homeless Families Evaluation Homelessness History Module		Family head who experienced homelessness prior to age 17 while separated from parents may face greater needs than others. This information is needed to construct the family need index.
C5	Altogether, what would you say is the total number of days, weeks, months, or years that you have been homeless in your life?	Adapted from the Center for Mental Health Services and the Center for Substance Abuse Treatment (CMHS/CSAT) Homeless Families Evaluation Homelessness History Module		
C6	As an adult, have you ever stayed with family or friends because you couldn't find or afford a place of your own?		C6-C8 Used to measure housing instability and risk of homelessness by documenting past experience with precarious housing	
C7	As an adult, in the last five years (or since you turned 18), what is the total number of days, weeks, months, or years that you have spent living with family or friends, because you couldn't find or afford a place of your own?			

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C8	Just before you came to [NAME OF SHELTER] this time, how long were you homeless? You can tell me the answer in days, weeks, months, or years, whichever is easiest for you.			
<b>Section D Employment</b>				
D1	Last week, did you do any work for pay?	D1-D15 are adapted from employment series from MTO Interim Evaluation Follow-up Survey and Effects of Housing Vouchers of Welfare Families Follow-up Survey	Describe study sample: Covariates (baseline measure of outcome). Employment and earnings. Information in Section D can also be used to construct subgroups based on employment status at baseline.	The study interventions, particularly those offering supportive services in conjunction with housing assistance, are hypothesized to affect employment rates and earnings of study participants. Questions in Section D provide baseline measures of employment and earnings outcomes that will be used as covariates in the impact analysis to improve the precision of the impact estimates.
D2	What is the main reason that you did not work for pay last week?		Barrier to work. Used to describe study sample and to identify which sample members have limitations or barriers to work. This measure will be used in the family need index.	Families in which the family head (custodial parent) has a disability may face barriers to employment and greater need than other families.
D3	Do you have a disability that limits or prevents work?		Barrier to work used in family need index	
D4	Are you responsible for caring for a family member (child or adult) who has a disability?		Barrier to work used in family need index	If the head of family has care responsibilities for a family member who has a disability, this may pose a barrier to employment and self-sufficiency. It is important to gather information on this to use in constructing the family need index.
D5	Do these responsibilities (caring for a family member with a disability) limit or prevent you from working at a job for pay?		Barrier to work used in family need index	If the head of family has care responsibilities for a family member who has a disability, this may pose a barrier to employment and self-sufficiency. It is important to gather information on this to use in constructing the family need index.
D6	When did you last work for pay? Can you tell me the month and year you last worked for pay?			
D6a.	IF D6=DK, ask About how long ago would you say you last worked for pay?			

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D7	Last week, did you have more than one job, including part-time and weekend work?		For respondents who are currently employed, measures of earnings and hours worked per week are measured using D7-D15	
D8	How many hours per week do you usually work at your [main] job? (By main job, we mean the one at which you usually work the most hours.)			
D9	When did you first start working at your (main) job? Can you tell me the month and year that you started working at your (main) job?			
D9a	If d9=dk, About how long ago would you say you started working at your main job?			
D10	For your (main) job, what is the easiest way for you to report your total earnings before taxes or other deductions hourly, weekly, monthly, annually, or on some other basis?			
D11	Do you usually receive overtime pay, tips, or commissions (at your main job)?			
D12	(Including overtime pay, tips, and commissions), what are your usual [REFER TO PAY FREQUENCY REPORTED IN D7] (daily/weekly/biweekly/ monthly/annual) earnings on this job, before taxes or other deductions?			
D13	[ASK THIS QUESTION ONLY OF PEOPLE WHO REPORT BEING PAID ON A DAILY BASIS] How many days a week do you usually work?			
D14	[ASK THIS QUESTION ONLY OF PEOPLE WHO REPORT BEING PAID ON A DAILY BASIS] How many weeks a year do you get paid for?			
D15	[ASK THIS QUESTION ONLY OF PEOPLE WHO REPORT BEING PAID BY THE UNIT] For how many [UNITS] are you usually paid per week (on this job)?			

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<b>Section E</b>				
<b>Family Composition</b>				
(For Questions E7-E14, these are asked of every family member to develop a family roster that includes every household member.)				
E1	What is your marital status? Are you currently [single, married, widowed, separated/divorced]?	Questions E1—E28 are adapted from the Transitional Housing Study Family Roster, Moving to Opportunity Interim Evaluation Roster, and The Effects of Housing vouchers on Welfare Families Household Roster	Used to establish family composition at baseline to use as a benchmark to measure future changes in composition over the follow-up period. This is used to describe the study sample, and to provide data needed to calculate the family need index.	Family preservation is one of the main outcomes of interest for this study. The interventions being studied are hypothesized to promote family preservation by increasing housing stability and addressing other needs of the family which make it more likely for family members to remain together. It is thus important to gather detailed information about family composition at baseline, to understand the degree to which family members reside together at the time of random assignment. The baseline family roster collects information on family members present with the family head in emergency shelter, as well as spouse/partner and children of the family head who are not together in shelter. Information in the family roster on disability, prior felony conviction for adults and employment status of adults will be used to construct the family need index.
E2	How many adults in your family are living with you right now in [NAME OF SHELTER]? By adult, I mean people who are 18 years old or older.		Questions E2-E6 are used to establish a list of all family members who are to complete the roster, including those together with the respondent in the emergency shelter, and those not with the respondent but considered part of the immediate family (spouse/partner and respondent's own children).	
E3	Please tell me the first names of the adults in your family who live with you right now in [NAME OF SHELTER]. Do not include yourself. By adult, I mean people who are 18 years old or older.			
E4	How many children in your family are living with you right now in [NAME OF SHELTER]? By children I mean people 17 years old or younger.			



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E5	Do you have a spouse or partner who is part of the family but not living with you now in [NAME OF SHELTER]?			
E5a	Now, can you please tell me the first name of your spouse/partner/significant other who is part of your family but is not living with you right now in [NAME OF SHELTER]?			
E6	Do you have any of your own children who are part of your family but are not living with you right now in [NAME OF SHELTER]? By children I mean people 17 years old or younger. Please do not include children 18 years or older. Do not include yourself.			
E6a	How many of your own children are not living with you now? By children I mean people 17 years old or younger. Please do not include children 18 years old or older.			
E6b	Now, can you please tell me the first name(s) of any of your children who are part of your family but are not living with you right now in [NAME OF SHELTER]? By children, I mean people 17 years old or younger. Please do not include children 18 years old or older. Do not include yourself.			
E7	What is [NAME OF FAMILY MEMBER]'s relationship to you?			
E8	Is [NAME OF FAMILY MEMBER] male or female?			
E9	What is [NAME OF FAMILY MEMBER]'s date of birth?			
E10	Ask if [NAME OF FAMILY MEMBER] is 15 or older. Is [NAME OF FAMILY MEMBER] currently working for pay?			
E11	Ask if [NAME OF FAMILY MEMBER] is 15 or older. Does [NAME OF FAMILY MEMBER] have a disability that limits or prevents work?			
E12	Ask if [NAME OF FAMILY MEMBER] is 18 or older. Has [NAME OF FAMILY MEMBER] ever been convicted of a felony for drug or other offenses?			Used for family need index. Families with a felony conviction are hypothesized to face greater barriers to stable housing than others.

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E13	Ask if [NAME OF FAMILY MEMBER] is 15 or under and if an adult of the opposite gender from responded lives with the family. Does [NAME OF FAMILY MEMBER] father/mother live with the family in [NAME OF SHELTER]?			
E14	Ask if [NAME OF FAMILY MEMBER] is 15 or under. Was there ever a time when [CHILD] did not live with you?			
E15	Ask if [NAME OF FAMILY MEMBER] is 15 or under. Please tell me all of the different places that [CHILD] has lived when s/he did not live with you. Did [CHILD] live [MARK ALL THAT APPLY].			
E16	Ask if [NAME OF FAMILY MEMBER] is 5 years old or older. Is [NAME OF FAMILY MEMBER] currently attending school?			
E17	Ask if [NAME OF FAMILY MEMBER] is 15 or younger. Does [NAME OF FAMILY MEMBER] have a disability? That could include either a physical, emotional, or mental health condition.			
E18	Ask if [NAME OF FAMILY MEMBER] is 15 or younger and E17=yes. What is [NAME OF FAMILY MEMBER] disability?			
E19	What is [NAME OF FAMILY MEMBER]'s relationship to you?			
E20	Is [NAME OF FAMILY MEMBER] male or female?			
E21	What is [NAME OF FAMILY MEMBER]'s date of birth?			
E22	Ask if [NAME OF FAMILY MEMBER] is 18 or older. Does [NAME OF FAMILY MEMBER] have a disability that limits or prevents work?			
E23	Ask if [NAME OF FAMILY MEMBER] is 18 or older. Has [NAME OF FAMILY MEMBER] ever been convicted of a felony for drug or other offenses?			
E24	Ask if [NAME OF FAMILY MEMBER] is 15 or under. How long has it been since [NAME OF FAMILY MEMBER] lived with you?			
E25	Ask if [NAME OF FAMILY MEMBER] is 15 or under. Please tell where the [NAME OF FAMILY MEMBER] is currently living, while not with you in [NAME OF SHELTER].			

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E26	Ask if [NAME OF FAMILY MEMBER] is 15 or under. What would you say has been the total amount of time [CHILD] has spent living apart from you?			
E27	Ask if family member is 15 years or younger. Does [NAME OF FAMILY MEMBER] have a disability? That could include either a physical, emotional, or mental health condition.			
E28	Ask if family member is 15 or younger and E27=yes. What is the family member's disability?			
<b>Section F</b>				
<b>Income and Income Sources</b>				
F1	Thinking about the last month, (that is, the last 30 days), did you, or anyone in your family who is with you now, receive any assistance or income from	F1-F7 are adapted from the Effects of Housing Vouchers on Welfare Families Baseline Survey, with modifications	Covariates (Baseline measure of outcome). Used to describe study sample and can also be used to define subgroups for impact analysis based on amounts and sources of income.	Section F provides the information needed to establish the baseline measure of total family income and sources of income. If any of the interventions are hypothesized to affect income and self sufficiency having the baseline measure of this outcome will be used to establish covariates for the impact analysis.
F1a	Food stamps?			
F1b	SSI (Supplemental Security Income)?			
F1c	TANF (Temporary Assistance for Needy Families, or welfare cash assistance)? [WILL INSERT LOCAL NAME OF TANF PROGRAM AND PROBE USING LOCAL NAME]			
F1d	Unemployment Compensation?			
F1e	Child Support?			
F1f	WC (Women's Infants, and Children)?			
F1g	Social Security Disability Insurance (SSDI)?			
F1h	Social Security Survivor's benefits?			
F1i	Medicaid?			
F1j	State health insurance? (e.g. GOLD CARE, INDIGENT CARE) [WILL INSERT LOCAL NAMES OF ANY STATE HEALTH INSURANCE OR ASSISTANCE]			
F1k	State Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP)?			
F1l	Child Care Assistance?			
F1m	Income support from family or friends?			
F1n	Other Sources of Income (LIST)			

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F2	During 2008 (or 2009 for those interviewed in 2010), what was the total combined income, before taxes or other deductions, of you and all the people who live with you now in [NAME OF SHELTER]? Please include money from jobs, work on the side, welfare, SSI, help from your family and friends, child support, alimony, and any other money income received by you or any other household member.	Effects of Housing Vouchers on Welfare Families Follow-up Survey	Covariate: family income relative to federal poverty.	Information will be used in conjunction with family size (Section E) to measure income relative to federal poverty thresholds.
F2a	I have entered \$ [amount from F2] as the total combined income in 2009 for you and all the people who live with you. Is this correct?			
F3	Would it amount to \$10,000 or more?			
F4	Would it amount to \$20,000 or more?			
F5	Would it amount to \$25,000 or more?			
F6	Would it amount to \$15,000 or more?			
F7	Would it amount to \$5,000 or more?			

**Section G**

**Family Head: Physical Health (Adult Health)**

G1	Overall, how would you rate your health during the past month (that is the past 30 days)?	New	Questions in Section G are used to describe the study sample and as covariates (baseline) measures of outcomes related to general physical health and mental health status. These questions are collected for the family head. Used for family need index.	Questions are used to establish baseline measures of health status. These measures are needed to develop the family need index. Physical and mental health conditions experienced by the family head contribute to the family's needs and it is important to collect baseline measures of health status to construct the index.
G2	[ASK G2 ONLY IF RESPONDENT IS FEMALE] Are you currently pregnant?	New		
G3	Do you have any of the following medical conditions? Do you have [INSERT NAME OF CONDITION]?	National Survey of Homeless Assistance Providers and Clients (NSHAPC)		These are physical health conditions commonly associated with homelessness. These are needed to establish baseline measures of health, used in the family need index and to describe the characteristics of the study sample.
G3a	Sugar in your blood			
G3b	Anemia			
G3c	High blood pressure			
G3d	Heart disease/stroke			
G3e	Problems with your liver			
G3f	Arthritis/rheumatism/joint problems			
G3g	Chest infection, cold, cough, bronchitis			

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G3h	Pneumonia			
G3i	Tuberculosis			
G3j	Cancer			
G3k	Problem walking, lost limb, other mobility impairment			
G3l	Gonorrhea, syphilis, herpes, chlamydia, other STDs. (NOT HIV or AIDS)			
G3m	HIV positive			
G3n	Have AIDS			
G3o	Use drugs intravenously			
G3p	Other			

**Section H**

**Family Head: Mental Health**

H1	How much of the time during the past 30 days have you felt	National Co-Morbidity Survey K+6 Interviewer administered sequence. <a href="http://www.hcp.harvard.edu/ncs/k6_scales.php">http://www.hcp.harvard.edu/ncs/k6_scales.php</a>	Questions H1a—H1f are used to establish a baseline measure of behavioral health and to distinguish family heads who have a behavioral health condition from those who do not. The scales used here are from the National Co-Morbidity Survey and have been validated. These scales are used to calculate the family need index, to describe the study sample, and can also be used to form subgroups based on behavioral health condition.	The K10 and K6 scales were designed to be sensitive around the threshold for the clinically significant range of the distribution of nonspecific distress in an effort to maximize the ability to discriminate cases of serious mental illness (SMI) from non-cases. A small validation study carried out in a convenience sample in Boston found evidence that the scales perform quite well and that, in fact, the six-question scale is at least as sensitive as the ten-question scale for the purpose of discriminating between cases and non-cases of SMI.
H1a	Nervous			
H1b	Hopeless			
H1c	Restless or fidgety			
H1d	So depressed that nothing could cheer you up			
H1e	That everything was an effort			
H1f	Worthless			

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H2	I'm going to read each one and then ask you to indicate how much that problem has bothered you in the past two weeks. Please tell me whether each of the following problems has bothered you: Not at all, a little bit, Moderately, Quite a bit, or Extremely.	Modified FOA	Questions H2a—H2q are intended to establish a baseline indicator of Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder among family heads. This is used for the family need index and also to describe the study sample and to form subgroups based on PTSD symptoms.	
H2a	Repeated, disturbing memories, thoughts, or images of a stressful experience?			
H2b	Repeated, disturbing dreams of a stressful experience?			
H2c	Suddenly acting or feeling as if stressful experiences were happening again (as if you were reliving it)?			
H2d	Feeling very upset when something reminded you of a stressful experience?			
H2e	Having physical reactions (e.g., heart pounding, trouble breathing, or sweating) when something reminded you of a stressful experience?			
H2f	Avoid thinking about or talking about the stressful experiences or avoid having feelings related to it?			
H2g	Avoid activities or situations because they remind you of a stressful experience?			
H2h	Trouble remembering important parts of the stressful experience?			
H2i	Loss of interest in things that you used to enjoy?			
H2j	Feeling distant or cut off from other people?			
H2k	Feeling emotionally numb or being unable to have loving feelings for those close to you?			
H2l	Feelings as if you future will somehow be cut short?			
H2m	Trouble falling or staying asleep?			
H2n	Feeling irritable or having angry outbursts?			
H2o	Having difficulty concentrating?			
H2p	Being "super alert" or watchful on guard?			
H2q	Feeling jumpy or easily startled?			

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<b>Section I</b>				
<b>Family Head Substance Use</b>				
11	Do you sometimes take a drink in the morning when you first get up?	11-15: Rapid Alcohol Problems Screen Cherpitel 1995d	Covariates (baseline) measures of substance use outcomes. Also used to describe the study sample and can be used to form subgroups.	Questions 11—15 are intended to establish a baseline measure of whether or not alcohol use by the family head is inhibiting the respondent's ability to function within the family. The purpose is not to measure alcohol consumption but to obtain self-reported assessment about whether alcohol use interferes with daily functioning. This will be used in developing the family need index. The scale used has been established to screen for alcohol use disorders.
12	During the past year, has a friend or family member ever told you about things you said or did while you were drinking that you could not remember?			
13	During the past year, have you had a feeling of guilt or remorse after drinking?			
14	During the past year, have you failed to do what was normally expected or you because of drinking?			
15	During the past year have you lost friends or boy/girlfriends because of drinking?			
16	Now I have some questions about illegal drugs. By illegal drugs, I mean things like marijuana, (except when used for medicinal purposes), ecstasy, cocaine, crack, heroin, speed, uppers, downers, etc. Thinking about the past year that is since [MM/YYYY].	Adapted from DAST Drug Abuse Screening Test. This sequence was also used in the Transitional Housing Study.	Covariates (baseline) measures of substance use outcomes. Also used to describe the study sample and can be used to form subgroups.	Questions 16—17 are intended to establish a baseline measure of whether or not drug use by the family head is inhibiting the respondent's ability to function within the family. The purpose is to obtain self-reported assessment about whether drug use interferes with daily functioning. This will be used in developing the family need index. The scale used has been established to screen for substance use disorders.
16a	Have you used more than one drug at a time?			
16b	Have you had "blackouts" or "flashbacks" as a result of drug use?			
16c	Have your friends or relatives known or suspected that you used drugs?			
16d	Have you ever lost friends because of drugs?			
16e	Have you ever not spent time with your family or missed work because of drug use?			
16f	Have you engaged in illegal activities in order to obtain drugs?			

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I6g	Have you ever experienced withdrawal symptoms as a result of heavy drug intake?			
I6h	Have you had medical problems as a result of drug use (e.g. memory loss, hepatitis, convulsions, bleeding)?			
I7	Now, thinking only about the past 30 days, have you regularly used an illegal drug? Again, by illegal drugs, I mean things like marijuana (expect when used for medicinal purposes), ecstasy, cocaine, crack, heroin, speed, uppers, downers, etc. By regularly, I mean 3 or more times a week. (Please do not include prescription drugs taken at the advice of a doctor or nurse.)			
<b>Section J</b>				
<b>Family Head: Foster Care/Group Home History/Criminal Justice History/Domestic Violence</b>				
J1	At any time before you turned 18 years old, were you ever placed in any of the following places? Were you placed in...	Foster care/group home questions are taken from <i>National Survey of Homeless Assistance Providers and Clients (NASHAPC)</i>	Items J1-J3 are used to calculate the family need index.	
J1a	A foster home?		Used to calculate the family need index. Also can be used to form subgroups.	Residence in foster care or a group home by the family head has been shown to be correlated with problems securing stable housing as an adult. It is important to document at baseline whether the head of family resided in foster care or a group home at any time during his or her own childhood.
J1b	A group home?			
J1c	Any other kind of institution?			
J2	Have you ever been convicted of a felony for drugs or other offenses?	New	Used to calculate the family need index.	History of a felony conviction can present barriers to obtaining and maintaining stable housing. It is important to document history of felonies at the time of the baseline interview.
J3	As an adult, have you ever been physically abused or threatened with violence by a spouse/partner/significant other who you were involved with?	New	Used to calculate family need index.	History of domestic violence increases the likelihood that the family has needs that must be addressed by the study interventions. Effects of the study interventions may vary according to previous experience with domestic violence.



Q #	Question	Source	Uses	Justification
<b>Section K: Screening for Intervention Eligibility (TH Interventions)</b>				
K1	Some housing programs require residents to be clean of drugs and sober to participate in their program. If staying clean and sober was a requirement for you, do you want to be considered for this program, or should we consider only the other options?		Items K1-K3 are used to confirm that study participants are eligible for specific programs included in the interventions available in the study site.	These questions collect screening information needed to identify which interventions each potential participant is eligible to receive. In some cases, programs included in the study interventions may impose eligibility restrictions such as sobriety, motivation, willingness to obtain employment, etc. These restrictions will vary across programs and across sites. If a family is not eligible to participate in any of the programs included in the study interventions in a site, it is important that they not be randomly assigned to that intervention. These questions are used to perform this screening. The specific questions to be used for this purpose may vary from program to program across sites and cannot be specified fully until site selection is completed.
K2	Some programs require residents to participate in treatment if deemed necessary by the program. If participating was a requirement for you to you want to be considered for this program, or should we consider only the other options?			
K3	Some programs may require residents to work with case workers on a plan to get them ready to live on their own. If you had to work with a case worker to be a part of this program, do you want to be considered for this program, or should we consider only the other options?			
<b>Section L Demographics</b>				
L1	What is your ethnic background? Are you: (Hispanic or Latino, not Latino or Hispanic)		Items collected in Questions L1-L6 are used to describe the study sample. They can also be used to form subgroups for the impact analysis.	Questions L1-L6 provide basic demographic information needed to describe the study sample that are not available from other sources for this study.
L2	What is your race? Do you think of yourself as: (Alaska Native or American Indian, Asian, Black or African American, Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander, White, other)			

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L3	INTERVIEWER, RECORD RESPONDENT'S GENDER			
L4	What is your Date of Birth?			
L5	What is the highest grade or year of regular school that you have completed and gotten credit for?			
L6	Have you ever served on active duty in the Armed Forces of the United States?	HMIS Data Standards – language provided by VA	Needed to screen for eligibility for the study interventions. Also can be used to describe the study population.	Some programs included in the study interventions may only be available to people who are Veterans. This question is needed to identify sample members who are eligible for such interventions.
<b>Section M</b>				
<b>Contact Information</b>				
M1	Could you tell us the name of someone who does not live with you and will always know how to contact you?		Section M is used to provide contact information for three people who know the family head and will be able to help locate the family head in the future to ensure that the research team can maintain locating information for the family head over the study period.	Maintaining locating information is essential to the success of the participant tracking effort and to conducting the follow up interview. Collecting information about friends or relatives who are likely to know how to reach the respondent will be used to maintain up to date locating information and to help ensure a high response rate to the follow-up survey.
M2	What is his/her first name?			
M2a	What is his/her middle name?			
M2b	What is his/her last name?			
M2c	Does his/her name have a suffix?			
M3	What is (his/her) street address?			
M3a	Is there a complex/building name?			
M3b	Is there an apartment number?			
M3c	In what city?			
M3d	In what state?			
M3e	What is the zip code?			
M4	What is (his/her) home phone number, starting with the area code?			
M5	What is (his/her) cell phone number, starting with the area code?			
M6	What is (his/her) email address?			
M7	What is (his/her) relationship to you?			
M8	Could you tell us the name of a second person who does not live with you and will always know how to contact you?			

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M9	What is his/her first name?			
M9a	What is his/her middle name?			
M9b	What is his/her last name?			
M9c	Does his/her name have a suffix?			
M10	What is (his/her) street address?			
M10a	Is there a complex/building name?			
M10b	Is there an apartment number?			
M10c	In what city?			
M10d	In what state?			
M10e	What is the zip code?			
M11	What is (his/her) home phone number, starting with the area code?			
M12	What is (his/her) cell phone number, starting with the area code?			
M13	What is (his/her) email address?			
M14	What is (his/her) relationship to you?			
M15	Could you tell us the name of a third person who does not live with you and will always know how to contact you?			
M16	What is his/her first name?			
M16a	What is his/her middle name?			
M16b	What is his/her last name?			
M16c	Does his/her name have a suffix?			
M17	What is (his/her) street address?			
M17a	Is there a complex/building name?			
M17b	Is there an apartment number?			
M17c	In what city?			
M17d	In what state?			
M17e	What is the zip code?			
M18	What is (his/her) home phone number, starting with the area code?			
M19	What is (his/her) cell phone number, starting with the area code?			
M20	What is (his/her) email address?			
M21	What is (his/her) relationship to you?			