

YHDP Alternative Requirements Summary
San Diego YHDP Projects
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No.	Alternative Requirement	Other Provisions	Suggested Documentation
1	<p>24 CFR 578.37(a)(1)(ii)(C) – Rapid Rehousing (RRH) projects must limit rental assistance to no more than 24 months to a household.</p> <p>Approved alternative requirement determination – Rental assistance can be provided up to 36 months to a household for RRH portion of the Joint Transition Housing-RRH.</p>	<p>This is on a case by case basis, and should only apply when the youth has been identified as someone that needs the longer term financial assistance to reduce the risk of returning to homelessness.</p> <p>The recipient may provide up to 36 months of rapid rehousing rental assistance to a program participant if the recipient demonstrates (1) the method it will use to determine which youth need rental assistance beyond 24 months and (2) the services and resources that will be offered to ensure youth are able to sustain their housing at the end of the 36 months of assistance.</p> <p>*The total amount of time a participant can receive rental assistance in the project cannot exceed 36 months.</p>	<p>Agency written policy and/or procedure of how individuals are deemed eligible for the extension of rental assistance.</p>
2	<p>24 CFR 578.37(a)(1)(ii)(D) – Projects can provide supportive services for no longer than 6 months after rental assistance stops.</p> <p>Approved alternative requirement determination – Participants can be provided up to 12 months of supportive services after rental assistance stops for project</p>	<p>This is on a case by case basis and should only apply when the youth has been identified as someone who needs longer term supportive services to reduce the risk of returning to homelessness.</p> <p>*The total amount of time a participant can receive supportive services in the project cannot exceed 48 months.</p>	<p>Agency written policy, and/or procedure of how individuals are deemed eligible for the extension of supportive services.</p>

<p>3</p>	<p>24 CFR 578.3 and 24 CFR 578.51(l)(1) – Requires participants receiving rental assistance to enter into a lease agreement for a term of at least one year.</p> <p>Approved alternative requirement determination – Participants receiving rental assistance can enter into an initial lease of less than one year but more than one month for project</p>	<p>The initial lease term of all leases must be for more than one month.</p>	<p>Documentation in the files of affected clients outlining constraints related to 1-year lease requirement along with a copy of the lease indicating the term.</p>
<p>4</p>	<p>24 CFR 578.53(e) – Lists eligible costs for supportive services:</p> <p>Approved alternative requirement determination – In addition to the eligible costs listed, RTFH is approved to bill the following services as eligible supportive services costs:</p> <p>Payment of utility arrears of up to six months per service for project</p> <p>Payment of rental arrears consisting of a one-time payment for up to six months of rent in arrears, including any late fees on those arrears for project</p> <p>The one-time cost of purchasing a cellular phone and basic cellular plan for program participant use, provided that access to a cellular phone is necessary to obtain or maintain housing for projects</p>	<p>Only applies when those arrears make it difficult to obtain housing</p> <p>*Payment of utility arrears cannot exceed the total of 6 months worth of charges.</p> <p>*Payment of rental arrears must be a one-time payment, and cannot exceed more than 6 months worth of charges, including any fees accrued by the arrears.</p> <p>*One-time cost of purchasing a cellular phone and basic plan only applies when cellular phone is necessary to obtain or maintain housing for projects.</p>	<p>Agency written policies and procedures outlining how grantee will define “difficult to obtain housing”</p> <p>Documentation demonstrating the client’s inability to obtain housing as a direct result of rent and utility arrears.</p>