What is it?
The Homelessness Prevention System (HPS) program provides temporary financial assistance (e.g., rent, deposit, or utilities payment) to low-income families or individuals who are struggling to maintain their housing.

Who is eligible to receive HPS assistance?
HPS is available to low-income (80% of Area Median Income) households in Santa Clara County who are at imminent risk of losing their housing. A pre-screening interview and questionnaire are used to determine eligibility.

How can I find out if I qualify?
Visit any participating agency (see list at left) for pre-screening. Hours and times vary and some agencies require an appointment. So it is recommended that you call before going in. The first step includes an interview and questionnaire, and will take anywhere from 1-3 hours to complete. If you meet initial eligibility requirements, you will be asked to come back and meet with an agency representative to complete the application.

What should I bring to my first visit?
Call the designated agency for your area to verify needed documents. However, it may be helpful to have ID’s for all household members, lease agreement, income documentation for the past 2 months, and recent bills.

What if I don’t qualify for the HPS?
Some agencies may have additional resources available to offer emergency services to households at risk of homelessness. An agency representative will guide you to any other resources that may be available and helpful in your situation.

How can I get more information?
For more information, contact any of the agencies listed at left, or call (408) 926-8855 or email housinginfo@sacredheartcs.org.

This referral DOES NOT GUARANTEE that you will receive assistance. Assistance MAY OR MAY NOT be provided depending upon household eligibility and availability of funding.