

How to apply for the Transitional Age Youth (TAY) Apartments

The purpose of our Transitional Age Youth (TAY) Apartments is to provide opportunity and support to young men who have a personal need and interest in becoming self-sufficient. Bearing this in mind we wish to make the applicant responsible for all the steps listed below. We have found that in doing so the young men who proceed with the steps are much more invested.

- 1) To make an effective transition to our TAY Apartments it is recommended that you start the application process at least 12 weeks prior to the proposed termination date.
- 2) Secure an application in person, or by e-mail from Paul Garcia.
(Note the contact information listed at the bottom of this sheet.)
- 3) Complete the entire application. Do not leave anything blank and provide any supporting documents that are asked for.
- 4) Return the application to the address listed below via fax, mail, email or in person.
- 5) Contact Paul Garcia to arrange for an interview date with the TAY coordinators. Interviews are conducted at Rancho. It is in the applicant's best interest to be appropriately dressed. This is an interview.
- 6) At the completion of the interview there will be an assigned task(s) for the applicant to complete. The assignment(s) will be based on issues that arise during the interview. Applicants' information and background will be checked.
- 7) If the situation permits, an accepted applicant will work on additional assignments with Paul Garcia prior to moving in. The goal is to prepare the candidate as much as possible in the time available.
- 8) The decision will be made when the required information and assignments are provided and confirmed.

NOTE - The candidate's level of investment to the application process will be a factor in final decision.

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Transitional Age Youth (TAY) Apartments

RESIDENT QUALIFICATIONS

- * Generally, the male only residents fall into the age range of 18 to 23 years.
- * They lack family support or resources.
- * They have no viable place to live.
- * They have little or no money and lack employment experience or skills.
- * They should be motivated to pursue personal goals that they have established.

COMPONENTS

Referral Policy

It has been our experience that applicants who have been through the Rancho STRTP program make a better adjustment to Transitional Living expectations. However, we do except non-Rancho applicants.

Intake/Assessment

This process is the primary responsibility of the Transitional Housing coordinator. The enrollment application will be completed by the applicant, followed by a detailed interview. Final acceptance will be the decision of the Transitional Housing committee (TAY Coordinators, and an Administrator).

Residential

Residents of the TAY Apartments will live in apartment-style housing units. Residents will follow contractual agreements regarding housing and will be responsible for their own transportation, utilities and some food costs.

Employment

All residents are expected to work either in the community or contracted hours for the TAY Apartments. If a resident attends school, then he must work part time to pay living expenses. Emphasis is placed on residents obtaining a job in the local community.

Education

A major emphasis of the TAY Apartments is to encourage the residents to complete high school or a high school equivalency program. Residents will also have an opportunity and will be encouraged to attend college or vocational school. Residents will also be required to participate in life skills lessons. These lessons provide residents with skills, training, management and computer education. There are scholarship programs available to residents through the county ILP coordinator as well as, Rancho San Antonio.

Contracts

Various contracts and agreements will be signed by residents prior to entry into the apartments. The contracts ensure that all residents understand they are residing in a structured living environment focused on assisting young men in transitioning from a dependent stance to a socially respectable independent member of society. The contracts detail curfews, visiting regulations, expectations regarding savings, and living expenses, etc. This is in effort to help the resident learn to live in a social environment which teaches respectful and courteous lifestyle.

For further information or intake application contact:

Paul Garcia

TRANSITIONAL AGE YOUTH (TAY) ENROLLMENT APPLICATION

I. GENERAL INFORMATION

Name: _____ Date of Birth: _____

Address: _____ Telephone: _____

_____ Soc. Sec.#: _____

Name of Legal Guardian: _____

Address: _____

Telephone #: _____

Name of Closest Living
Relative Other Than
Guardian: _____

Address: _____

Telephone #: _____

Are you presently receiving any aid (welfare, food stamps, etc.) or in any way enrolled in governmentally subsidized program? Are you presently enrolled in any governmentally subsidized job or housing programs? Do you receive aid for education, tuition, housing, books, or fees?

"No" to all of the above _____
(initials)

If the answer is "Yes" to any of the above questions, please give a detailed explanation on a separate 8 1/2 x 11 piece of paper.

Are you on probation or parole? Yes ____ No ____

Have you been on probation or parole in the past three years? Yes ____ No ____

If "Yes," please give a brief explanation and include the most recent name and telephone number of your probation and/or parole officer:

II. EDUCATION

School Presently Attending: _____

Address: _____

Telephone #: _____

Name of Counselor: _____

If not enrolled, give information on the above lines for the last school you attended.

Give the last date of attendance: _____

Last grade completed or number of units completed if on contract system: _____

If a high school graduate or a holder of GED or Proficiency Exam Certificate, please attach Photostat copy of documentation.

Have you had formal occupational training? Yes ___ No ___

Please indicate school, apprenticeship program, or job site (employer program):

III. EMPLOYMENT

Give employment history for the past three years starting with the most present job:

P/T	F/T	EMPLOYER	ADDRESS	PHONE #	IMMEDIATE SUPERVISOR
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1) _____

2) _____

3) _____

Letter documenting present employment from supervisor must accompany application.

If not employed part-time or full-time, please give a detailed explanation.

V. FINANCIAL

Do you hold a checking account? Yes ____ No ____

Bank: _____

Address: _____

Do you hold a savings account? Yes ____ No ____

Bank: _____

Address: _____

V. MOTIVATION/GOALS

On a separate 8 1/2 x 11 piece of paper, please answer the following questions completely and to the best of your ability.

Please label the questions "Section V, questions 1, 2, 3, 4, 5."

1. In your own words, please describe why you need the TAY apartments.
2. In your own words, please identify your long-term goals.
3. What are your short-term goals that will assist you in accomplishing your long-term goals?
4. Other than the TAY Apartments, what options for living do you have available to you?
5. Where are you living now and why is that no longer acceptable?

VI. RELEASE OF INFORMATION

1. Do you agree to having drug tests completed while you are a TAY resident? Yes ____ No ____
(initial) (initial)
2. (non-RSA applicant) Do you agree to a background check by the police? Yes ____ No ____
(initial) (initial)
3. (non-RSA applicant) Do you agree to have fingerprints taken and processed at your expense? Yes ____ No ____
(initial) (initial)
4. Do you agree to an evaluation with the TAY Committee every three months? Yes ____ No ____
(initial) (initial)
5. Have you read and understood the TAY manual? Yes ____ No ____
(initial) (initial)
6. Are you attending or have attended a 12 Step program? Yes ____ No ____

If yes, what is/was your drug of choice? _____ (please include alcohol) Sobriety Date: _____
(initial) (initial)

7. Do you have any medical needs that require ongoing attention? Yes _____ No _____
(initial) (initial)

If "Yes," please explain:

8. Did anyone help you with this application? Yes _____ No _____
(initial) (initial)

If "Yes," please give their name and relationship to you:

VI. PERSONAL REFERENCES

Please provide three (3) character references in the space below. Do not use family members.

Full Name: _____
How do they know you? _____
Telephone #: _____

Full Name: _____
How do they know you? _____
Telephone #: _____

Full Name: _____
How do they know you? _____
Telephone #: _____