

Orange Teen Housing Frequently Asked Questions

Can I move in right away? There is usually a waiting list for apartments and wait time can vary greatly. It's important to apply early and maintain contact while on the waiting list.

Can I smoke or have a pet? There is a strict no smoking and no pets policy.

Can my boyfriend/girlfriend or child live with me? No. The apartments are single person occupancy efficiency units.

What about guests? Tenants are encouraged to have up no more than 3 awake guests in the apartment at a time. Overnight guests must be approved.

Do I have to share anything with other tenants? No. The units all have their own bathroom, shower, kitchen, fridge and stove. Tenants need to provide their own furniture.

Is there on-site laundry? Yes. A coin operated washer and dryer are located on the 1st floor of the building.

Are there any "accessible units?" Yes. There is one accessible unit on the first floor.

What's included with rent? Rent includes heat and hot water, and wi-fi internet.

DIAL/SELF Core Values

COLLABORATION – We work collaboratively with youth, with each other, and with our community to make the most of our combined resources.

RESPECT – We demonstrate respect through active listening, responsiveness, and inclusion of diverse perspectives.

INNOVATION – We develop and implement creative programs in response to community needs.

ACCOUNTABILITY – We hold ourselves accountable to high ethical, administrative, programmatic, and fiscal standards.

Funding Partners for DIAL/SELF Orange Teen Housing include:

- MA Department of Housing and & Community Development
- MassHousing
- Community Economic Development Assistance Corporation
- Greenfield Savings Bank
- Federal Home Loan Bank
- And the generosity of private foundations, charitable corporations, and individual community donors

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Orange Teen Housing Program

**Supportive affordable permanent housing
for homeless young adults ages 18-24.**

Located at 15-17 E. Main Street, Orange, MA



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DIAL/SELF Teen Housing History

Since 1977, DIAL/SELF has been a community-based non-profit agency dedicated to promoting the health and positive development of area youth and enhancing the quality of life in the communities where they live.

In 2006, DIAL/SELF completed its first building rehab for the purpose of creating affordable housing for homeless youth. The venture into housing development was in response to a very clear community need.

As of 2015 DIAL/SELF has worked with area partners to create 38 units of permanent, supportive affordable housing for 18-24 year old young adults who are homeless or at risk of becoming homeless.

Orange Teen Housing Apartments

In 2015, Orange Teen Housing Inc. in partnership with DIAL/SELF reopened the doors to the beautifully renovated building at 15-17 East Main Street in Orange, MA.

This building now provides:

- 10 studio apartments for ages 18-24
- Subsidized rent
- Supportive services opportunities
- Opportunities for community service

Orange Teen Housing Organization

Owner: Orange Teen Housing, Inc.

Management Agent: Franklin County Regional Housing and Redevelopment Authority

Primary Service Provider: DIAL/SELF Youth & Community Services

Orange Teen Housing Apartment Eligibility

Tenant eligibility includes, but is not limited to:

- Ages 18-24
- Currently homeless or at risk of becoming homeless
- Have an income less than or equal to 50% of the median income for Franklin County
- Ability to pay a small security deposit
- Be willing to commit to a 1 year lease
- Satisfy a criminal offender records information check and a sex offender registry inquiry
- Be willing to abide by the requirements of the Orange TeenHousing Occupancy Agreement

Applications

Applications can be picked up and returned at the following locations:

OTH Inc. c/o FCRHRA, 42 Canal Rd,
Turners Falls, MA 01376 M-F ~ 9am - 4:30pm

DIAL/SELF, 16 Miles St,
Greenfield, MA 01301 M-F ~ 2pm - 7pm.

For more information about Orange Teen Housing or to download an application, visit the DIAL/SELF website at www.dialself.org/oth.html

DIAL/SELF can help you apply!

Youth between the **ages 18-21** can contact DIAL/SELF TeenLine staff to start the application process which involves filling out a pre-application and starting case management with a TeenLine Youth Worker. TeenLine staff will provide support with the Section 8 & OTH requirements as needed.

TeenLine can be reached at 413-774-7054, menu option 4, or by visiting a drop-in center in Greenfield or Orange.

Youth between the **ages 22-24** can establish a connection to another local human services professional for case management. That professional should then contact Sam Pepe at 413-774-7054 ext 118 or spepe@dialself.org to begin the process.

Other DIAL/SELF Housing Options

DIAL/SELF offers other support options with housing for young adults 18-21*:

- Step Transitional Living Program
- LGBTQ Housing First* (18-24)
- Kinship homes
- Emergency NightOwl warming center
- Limited short-term rental subsidies
- Referrals to non-DIAL/SELF housing options

For more information about which housing options may be available for you, or for a young adult with whom you are working, contact TeenLine.

413-774-7054, Menu Option 4

