Every person experiences homelessness differently, which is why we meet people where they are and customize services that builds self-sufficiency.

As the largest provider of interim housing and services for individuals, couples, and families experiencing homelessness in Silicon Valley, we focus on the individual’s strengths. We set up a to success and celebrate even the smallest steps forward. We’re committed to ending the cycle of homelessness throughout San Mateo and Santa Clara Counties.

**Trust & Accountability**

Foundational to the LifeMoves mission is supporting our clients on their journey to independence and a home to call their own. Every LifeMoves client receives case management to develop their unique path forward. The steps on the path are concrete and achievable. Employment services, medical care, education, shelter, and benefits are all addressed. Case Managers stay in close touch with clients, guide them to the resources they need to take each step, and provide additional support if new issues arise.

These steps are based on best practices in each sphere. Our comprehensive case management system provides conditional choices to guide clients to the specific steps for their situation — a model that may ultimately be used as a gold standard for the sector.
Services to Address Every Need

Even within families, people may have different needs — from overcoming addiction, to finding employment. That’s why our Case Managers work with each person to overcome their personal challenges and reach their individual goals.

Housing Moves

Obtaining or retaining stable housing is the ultimate goal of every LifeMoves program. Housing Specialists and Case Managers work with clients to explore traditional and innovative options. Housing specialists work with community organizations, cities, counties, and private property owners, in order to secure living arrangements, negotiate deposits and rent, organize move-in support and educate people on housing rights.

Financial Moves

We provide workshops, as well as individual coaching, on topics such as budgeting, building and repairing credit, savings strategies, and techniques for borrowing money wisely. Clients leave LifeMoves on sound financial footing, it means that these individuals and have the tools they need to thrive and contribute to our community.

Career Moves

Many of our clients work at jobs that simply don’t pay a living wage for the Bay Area. LifeMoves employment specialists help our adult clients increase their employment opportunities and earning potential through employment skills training, resume development, job searching training, and interview coaching. Additionally, we provide appropriate job clothing (business, construction, etc.), technology tools (laptops), and on-boarding coaching.

Behavioral Health Moves

Trauma and other behavioral health issues can be both a cause and an effect of becoming homeless. LifeMoves provides free, on-site behavioral health services to address trauma and other behavioral health challenges common among those experiencing homelessness. Services include addiction and recovery support, milieu therapy, and on site drug treatment.

Physical Health Moves

Many LifeMoves clients are at higher-risk for medical complications than the general public. Some are elderly, with chronic conditions that have been untreated. Others are Veterans with medical vulnerabilities. We enroll clients in available insurance coverage and, work with local public health programs and community partners to get our clients the medical services or support care they need.

Legal Moves

We connect clients to legal aid and pro bono services, provide support in legal matters such as housing, benefits, immigration, health care, and elder or child abuse. We also have specific programs those who have been in state prisons, people involved in domestic violence, and undocumented people.

Our Philosophy

A Client-Centered & Strengths-Focused Approach
Each person is unique and has their own challenges, strengths, and journey. Our services are uniquely tailored to meet the individual needs of each client.

Ensuring Safe Environments
Every person deserves to work or be a client in a safe environment; it is every staff and client’s responsibility to maintain a dignified, clean, welcoming and safe milieu.

Culturally Responsive & Trauma Informed
There is no ‘right program’ for every person, couple or family experiencing homelessness.

Impact Data & Academic Review
A team of graduate students in social work, psychology, and counseling from Stanford Medical volunteer their time to provide feedback and guidance about our programs.

Multi-Dimensional Staffing
To the extent possible services are staffers by bi-lingual persons with a combination work, academic, and lived experience.