

MARYLAND DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES

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December 2, 2019

Dear Mr. Rose:

This letter serves as written acknowledgement of your decline to accept Social Services to Adult (SSTA) program services and your stated wish to no longer work with the St. Mary's County Department of Social Services. Per the Code of Maryland Annotated Regulations (COMAR 07.02.15.03B), this is a voluntary service and you have chosen not to fully participate in services, therefore, you have been found ineligible for SSTA and your case with the Department is closed.

To review, in the time we have worked together, we have connected you with Three Oaks Center for re-housing support. If you experience future instances of homelessness, please contact them to access emergency shelter services. Additionally, we have referred you and you have been approved for the Housing Choice Voucher program through the Housing Authority of St. Mary's County. Please continue to work with them to secure permanent housing. Lastly, we have connected you with Pathways for mental health evaluation services. From your evaluation, it was recommended that you could return for ongoing individual counseling to learn to better cope with stressors. They also offered to refer you to Southern Maryland Community Network for Targeted Case Management services, which you are encouraged to seek for ongoing support.

The Department has financially provided for your shelter from 10/29/2019 - 12/9/19. Effective, 12/9/2019, the Department will no longer provide financial assistance toward your shelter. Please ensure you have located and are ready to move into an apartment with Housing Authority services or you can continue to pay at your expense since you have begun receiving unemployment benefits.

We wish you the best as you continue to work towards achieving permanent housing.

Sincerely,

Sonia Perez LBSW