

~~(2) The purpose of the program is to provide for victims of domestic violence and their children, in each region of this State:~~

- ~~(i) temporary shelter or help in obtaining shelter;~~
- ~~(ii) counseling;~~
- ~~(iii) information;~~
- ~~(iv) referral; and~~
- ~~(v) rehabilitation.~~

~~(b) As a part of the domestic violence program, there shall be, in a major population center of this State, at least 1 program serving the area.~~

~~(c) Any program established under this section shall be subject to the following conditions:~~

~~(1) the program shall provide victims of domestic violence and their children with a temporary home and necessary counseling;~~

~~(2) the Department of Human Resources shall:~~

- ~~(i) supervise the program;~~
- ~~(ii) set standards of care and admission policies;~~
- ~~(iii) monitor the operation of the program and annually evaluate the effectiveness of the program; [and]~~

~~(iv) adopt rules and regulations that set fees for services at and govern the operation of each program; AND~~

~~(v) MAKE GRANTS FROM THE VICTIMS OF DOMESTIC VIOLENCE FUND ESTABLISHED UNDER § 4-515.1 OF THIS SUBTITLE TO DOMESTIC VIOLENCE PROGRAMS IN EACH COUNTY AND TO STATEWIDE NONPROFIT ORGANIZATIONS THAT PROVIDE ASSISTANCE TO VICTIMS OF DOMESTIC VIOLENCE;~~

~~(3) the program shall accept from the police or any other referral source in the community any victim of domestic violence and the child of any victim of domestic violence; and~~

~~(4) housing may not be provided under this subtitle to an applicant for housing who is not a resident of this State at the time the application for housing is made.~~

~~(d) (1) As funds become available, the Secretary may extend the domestic violence program to other areas in this State.~~

~~(2) Expansion of the domestic violence program may include:~~

- ~~(i) establishing additional shelters; or~~
- ~~(ii) providing funds and technical assistance to a local organization or agency that shows that it is able and willing to run a domestic violence program.~~