



Interested Parents, Ranchers and Guardians,

Thank you for your interest in our residential programs. The following is a brief outline of the different options provided by Down Home Ranch and the process for consideration for each.

Intermediate Care Facility (ICF) (Located on-Ranch)

This is a federal-state program which pays all fees. We have 24 ICF slots on the Ranch proper, all in the Village in homes housing five or six Ranchers, each with a Resident Assistant who serves as mentor, advocate, and friend to the Ranchers under his or her care. We have three men's homes and two women's homes. Very rarely do we have a vacancy in these homes.

A prospective Rancher must be Medicaid-eligible in order to participate in ICF. We maintain an interest list in case a vacancy does occur. It is important to note, however, that we will fill the vacancy based on the very best fit for the house in question. We look for Ranchers who can both benefit from our community setting and contribute to it. Therefore, time on the interest list does not matter nearly as much as whether or not it's a good fit for the Rancher, for the home into which he or she will move, and for the Ranch as a whole.

Please fill out the form below completely and fax or email according to the instructions found at the end of the form. If there is an opening we will go through the list and select as many as three candidates for evaluation. We will ask those candidates to fill out an in-depth application form and schedule them for trial visits.

Supported Independent Living (SIL) (Located on-Ranch)

This option is available to Ranchers who meet the same criteria as other Ranchers and who are capable of living independently, either alone or in a cottage with another Rancher of the same gender. Staff support is available for coaching and training, but Ranchers in SIL must be able to meet the basic daily demands of self-care, grooming, rising on time and getting to work, etc.

The fee for SIL is \$3,500 per month, included all living costs and is subject to change. Ranchers in SIL are full members of the Ranch community and enjoy all privileges and programs.

The application process for SIL is similar in that appropriateness of placement is more important than longevity on a list, especially important considering that the Rancher in SIL will live with another Rancher without direct staff supervision.

Ranchers on SIL may apply for openings in the ICF program but would have to move into one of the group homes if accepted for such.

Home and Community Based Services (HCS) (Off-Ranch)

HCS is a federal-state program which pays most fees associated with participation. This is the program with the long wait list (up to 12 years or longer). A Rancher must be Medicaid-eligible in order to participate in this program. Prospective Ranchers must already have their HCS slot in order to apply. Interested parties should complete and submit a full application packet to determine whether the Rancher can fully benefit from this program. Please contact us at program@downhomeranch.org to request this packet.

Thank you again for your interest.

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**Down Home Ranch
Residency Interest List**

Name of Potential Rancher: _____ Today's Date _____

NOTE: For our ICF/MR program Down Home Ranch evaluates potential residents based on 1) their compatibility with the persons already residing in the home and 2) their ability to benefit from and contribute to the unique community that is Down Home Ranch and the programs we offer. All other factors being equal, a potential resident who has been on the list longer will be offered residency before those who have been on the list a shorter time.

Age: _____ Date of birth: _____ Male Female

Guardian/other: _____ Date: _____

Phone number: _____ Email: _____

Desired date of admission: _____

Interested in (Check all that apply): ICF Tuition Based HCS

Current Program/Funding: None ICF HCS Private, how much per month _____

If selected HCS or Private above, please explain _____

Describe this individual: _____

Are there any special needs we need to be aware of including but not limited to hygiene, medical, and behavior?

What are their interests and how would these make this individual a good fit for Down Home Ranch?

Residential program: _____

Has this person been to Down Home Ranch and if so, when? _____

Are there other things to consider when reviewing this applicant for our residential services? Use extra paper if needed. _____

Diagnosis: _____

Guardian/other #1:

Name _____

Address _____ City _____ State _____ ZIP _____

Home Phone _____ Cell Phone _____

Email _____

Guardian/other #2:

Name _____

Address _____ City _____ State _____ ZIP _____

Home Phone _____ Cell Phone _____

Email _____

IT IS THE RESPONSIBILITY OF THE GUARDIAN/OTHER TO KEEP DOWN HOME RANCH INFORMED OF CHANGES IN ADDRESS, PHONE NUMBERS, AND OTHER CONTACT INFORMATION.

Email	Mail	Fax	For office use only:
<p>program@downhomeranch.org</p> <p>Please include "Resident Interest List" in the Subject line along with the name of the positional Rancher.</p>	<p>20250 FM 619 Elgin, TX 78621</p>	<p>Please submit by fax: 512-856-0256</p>	<p>Who Entered: _____</p> <p>Date entered: _____</p> <p>Responded on: _____</p> <p>Staff initial: _____</p>