Sample Assessment Questions – SHELTER

How soon do you need shelter?

Do you need shelter today?

- Are you in need of shelter due to a domestic abuse situation?
 - If it is a domestic abuse situation refer to the local domestic violence hotline.
- Do you need shelter due to labor or sex trafficking?
 - If there is suspicion, use the Human trafficking screening in the Markers; refer as appropriate.
- Is the shelter for yourself or you and others?
 - If the caller shares household pets need to be considered, discuss pet diversion ideas, including placing with friends/family; taxonomies to explore: Animal Shelters, Directory/Resource List Publication * Animal/Pet Issues, Foster Care/Temporary Shelter for Animals
- Where did you sleep last night?
- Are you willing to go to a shelter?
- Can you stay with friends or family until intake is open?

(If appropriate:) Can you stay where you are until intake is open?

- Collect necessary demographics to refer as appropriate:
 - o ZIP / city
 - o Age
 - Gender Identity
 - Military / Veteran status