Ending Homelessness in the Dallas-Fort Worth Metroplex by Targeting our Resources

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The Status Quo

..If you can run the fastest and wait the longest, you can get a voucher...

http://youtu.be/VIIU2nZT_Hk

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Q5ocjZ9GatA

http://youtu.be/zQHlruRZpxwE

http://youtu.be/czVd3KsVFX8
Theory of Change

By targeting our limited resources through the Housing Choice Voucher Program, we can maximize our impact by creating a housing opportunity for the people who most need our assistance.
Hierarchy of Available Funding: $$$

- Housing Choice Voucher Program
- Low-Income Housing Tax Credits (LIHTC)
- Public Housing
- Private (Habitat for Humanity, Family Promise)
- Shelters
Number of Affordable Units Funded Nationally

Shelters

Private or Donor-Funded (Habitat)

Public Housing

LIHTC and HCV

Dallas Housing Authority
Sequestration Will Create Largest Funding Shortfall on Record For Housing Choice Vouchers

Voucher renewal funding shortfall, by year

'07  '08  '09  '10  '11  '12  '13

Note: Figures are total new renewal funding divided by total renewal funding eligibility in each year.

Source: Department of Housing and Urban Development.

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Change at DHA

• We have assisted 626 voucher recipients with permanent supportive housing (PSH), of which 150 were families with children and the others were chronically homeless individuals.

• We have assisted 560+ homeless veterans through the VASH program and around 600 families and individuals through public housing and tenant based vouchers.
Change at DHA

The annual value of the DHA HCV program assistance to formerly homeless individuals and families is valued at $17,600,000
Change at DHA

April 2014, DHA published a Request for Proposals for 400 additional Permanent Supportive Housing (PSH) for homeless
2009 Homeless Preference

- Families who have been made homeless by documented domestic violence, and individuals graduating from or —aging out of the foster care program administered by the Texas Department of Protective and Regulatory Services; and currently or formerly homeless applicants who are ready to move to project or tenant-based voucher housing providing permanent supportive housing to the homeless
  - Individuals who claim the preference as currently or formerly homeless must be certified as qualified by the Bridge, a homeless shelter in Dallas.
  - Families who claim preferences for domestic violence, individuals aging out of foster care or families who are currently or formerly homeless must be certified as qualified by a DHA-Accredited Homeless Service provider.
Results

• The number of chronic homeless individuals has decreased 52 percent since 2004 when the 10-Year Plan to End Homelessness was prepared.

• The number of people sleeping outdoors or in abandoned buildings has dropped 45 percent from 2005 to 2013.

• The number of people living in permanent supportive housing increased 1,363 percent from 2005 to 2013. (Two thousand three hundred and twelve (2,312) adults and children are now living in Permanent Supportive Housing).

• The total homeless population number of 2,972 declined 13 percent in 2013 from the 3,447 counted in 2012.

Source: MDHA 2013 PIT Count
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