What is HUD Doing to Assist Homeless Persons?

The Office of Special Needs Assistance Programs (SNAPS) supports the nationwide commitment to ending homelessness by providing funding opportunities to nonprofit organizations and State and local governments to quickly rehouse homeless individuals and families. Through these opportunities, SNAPS advocates self-sufficiency and promotes the effective utilization of mainstream resources available to individuals and families experiencing homelessness.

**Competitive Homeless Programs**

*Continuum of Care Program (CoC)* funds local networks of organizations to quickly rehouse homeless individuals and to minimize the trauma and dislocation caused to individuals, families, and communities by homelessness.

Previously awarded grants under *Shelter Plus Care Program*, *Supportive Housing Program*, and *Section 8 Moderate Rehabilitation Single Room Occupancy Program* are supported by HUD through completion of those projects.

**Formula Homeless Programs**

*Emergency Solutions Grants Program (ESG)* funds are distributed by formula to metropolitan cities, urban counties, territories, and states for street outreach, emergency shelter, homelessness prevention, rapid re-housing assistance, and homeless management information systems.

Previously awarded grants under *Emergency Shelter Grants Program* and *Homelessness Prevention and Rapid Re-Housing Program (HPRP)* are supported by HUD through completion of those projects.

**Other Homeless Programs**

Under the *Defense Base Closure and Realignment Program (BRAC)*, HUD reviews base redevelopment plans and offers technical assistance to the communities in the vicinity of the military installation to balance the need for economic and other redevelopment while addressing the needs of people experiencing homelessness.

The *HUD-Veterans Affairs Supportive Housing Program (HUD-VASH)* is a joint program between HUD and the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs (VA). HUD provides housing choice vouchers and VA provides case management and outreach. This program targets veterans who are currently homeless.

The *Title V Program - Federal Surplus Property for Use to Assist the Homeless* enables eligible organizations to use unutilized, underutilized, excess, or surplus Federal properties as facilities that assist homeless persons.
To learn about the characteristics and performance of Continuum of Care (CoC) programs around the country, visit CoC Dashboard Reports, CoC Homeless Populations and Subpopulations Reports, CoC Housing Inventory Count Reports, and CoC Awards by Program Component.

**HUD Exchange website:**  www.hudexchange.info/homelessness-assistance/

The HUD Exchange provides a hub for the latest Homelessness Assistance resources, updates, and information including, tools and templates, research, evaluations, best practices, guides, and training manuals, as well as:

**Email Updates** - To receive CPD communications about program policy, upcoming trainings, resources, reporting deadlines, technical assistance and more, sign up on the HUD Exchange Mailing List.

**Grantee Information** – To view amounts awarded to organizations under HUD programs over the past several years, go to CPD Allocations and Awards. To learn more about the agencies and organizations that have received funding, visit About Grantees.

**Services and Assistance for the Homeless**

If you are homeless, at risk of becoming homeless, or know someone who is homeless, help is available. Homelessness resources for health care, food, housing counseling, and job training and placement assistance are also available.

Find local housing, food, and health care assistance agencies
www.hudexchange.info/homelessness-assistance/resources-for-homeless-persons/

Resources for the chronically homeless
www.hudexchange.info/homelessness-assistance/resources-for-chronic-homelessness/

Resources for homeless veterans
www.hudexchange.info/homelessness-assistance/resources-for-homeless-veterans/

Resources for homeless youth
www.hudexchange.info/homelessness-assistance/resources-for-homeless-youth/

Resources for homeless veteran service providers
www.hudexchange.info/homelessness-assistance/resources-for-homeless-veteran-service-providers/

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