



HOMELESSNESS POLICY GROUP

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Tri-Cities Homeless Action Plan Presentation

Arapahoe County Board of County

Commissioners

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Plan Purpose

The Tri-Cities Homelessness Plan of Action was built from data collection and engagement with stakeholders and provides comprehensive strategies and action steps designed to address homelessness in the Tri-Cities region.

Plan Development

Methodology

- University of Denver (DU) studies designed to understand the root causes of chronic (individual) and family homelessness in the Tri-Cities region
- Political, Economic, Social, Technological, Environmental, and Legal (PESTEL) analysis conducted by the Tri-Cities Homelessness Policy Committee
- 53 oral stakeholder interviews

Cumulative Findings

- Strengthen local and regional coordination
- Address the unique needs of families and individuals experiencing homelessness in the Tri-Cities region
- Coordinate homeless activities among city staff
- Streamline access to homeless services and provide navigation support
- Increase participation among homeless service organizations in data collection
- Provide an alternative to law enforcement to proactively respond to constituent concerns regarding people experiencing homelessness and connect them to local services
- Leverage partnerships with public and private partners to address the health and behavioral health of people experiencing chronic homelessness
- Expand housing opportunities to increase successful exits from homelessness

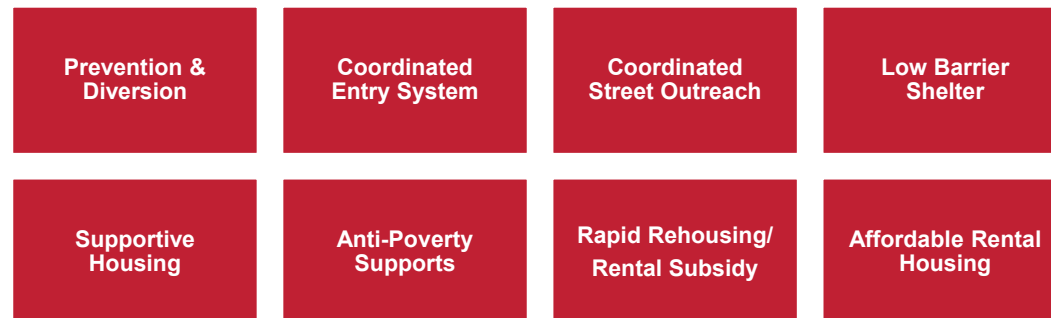
Considerations

Alignment with Best Practices

Proposed Key Goals in Alignment with the State*:



Proven Solutions Recommended by Metro Denver Homeless Initiative (MDHI):



* Colorado State Homelessness Play Book

Homeless Response System



Navigation Center Concept

- Data collection
- Matching people experiencing homelessness to the appropriate services
- Connecting people experiencing homelessness to services

Recommendations

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1. Build a
Strong
Foundation

2. Single
Adult System

3. Workforce
Development

4. Family
System

1. Building a Strong Foundation

- Build a strong governance structure
- Formalize a data-driven approach to allocated resources
- Create a community education and engagement strategy

2. Single Adult System

- Streamline access to homelessness services for single adults
- Provide street-based services
- Expand housing opportunities for single adults

3. Workforce Development

- Create partnerships with workforce programs
- Create employment opportunities

4. Family System

- Streamline services for homeless families
- Prevent families from becoming homeless
- Increase housing opportunities for families

Questions

