__ Minnesota Coalition for the Homeless

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Mission Statement

The mission of the Minnesota Coalition for the Homeless is to generate policies, community support and local resources for housing and services to end homelessness in Minnesota.

Who We Are

The Minnesota Coalition for the Homeless (MCH) is a nonprofit 501(c)(3) public policy and advocacy organization that works to ensure statewide housing stability and economic security. Key partners include leaders with lived experience of homelessness, 70+ member organization across the state, funders, donors, and advocates.







Advancing Solutions Across the Continuum

Homes for All Agenda

Homes for All – MCH advocates for the full continuum of housing including the 2023 agenda. Please visit our Homes for All website for more information: www.homesforallmn.org



Homelessness in Minnesota

 20,000 children, youth, adults, and seniors experience homelessness on any given night; 50,000 over the course of a year

At least 80 of 87 counties lack enough shelter capacity to meet the





Homelessness in Minnesota

- Unsheltered homelessness across the state increased by 62% between 2015 and 2018
- ⅓ of people experiencing homelessness are employed
- Children and youth comprise almost half--46% of the ppl exp homelessness
- LGBTQ folx are significantly overrepresented--4% of general population vs. 11% of ppl exp homelessness
- Seniors (55+) exp homeless grew 25% (2015 vs. 2018)

Homelessness in Minnesota: Deep Racial Disparities

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- Black Minnesotans: 5% of general population, 36% of ppl exp homelessness
- Indigenous Minnesotans: 1% of general population, 18% of ppl exp homelessness
- People of Color are 10x more likely to experience homelessness than white Minnesotans.

*Data from the 2018 Wilder Homeless Study

Advancing Solutions

- Expand & Preserve Emergency Shelters
 - 2023 Shelter Capital Needs Assessment
- Investment to strengthen the Emergency Services Grant Program (ESP)
- Funding for a comprehensive response to homelessness





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