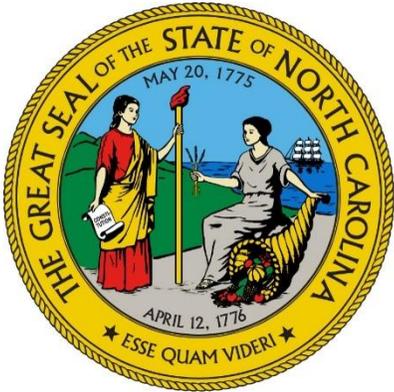


WELCOME!



North Carolina Interagency Council for Coordinating Homeless Programs

Virtual Meeting

Wednesday, September 10 | 1:00PM – 3:00 PM

Welcome & Opening Remarks

ICCHP Duties

- Advise the Governor, Cabinet, agencies, and partners on housing stability and homelessness.
- Recommend interagency collaboration and align state/federal funding (including supporting NC DHHS Strategic Housing Plan & NC Reentry 2030 goals).
- Promote evidence-based practices to address the needs of individuals and families at risk of or experiencing homelessness.
- Review and recommend improvements to existing programs and policies.
- Provide guidance on additional matters referred by the Governor.

Key Areas of ICCHP Focus

- Increase access to rental and related housing financial assistance (e.g., rent, utilities, fees),
- Increase development of and access to rental units for people experiencing homelessness and those at risk, and
- Increase the availability and quality of housing-focused services, including housing stabilization case management and housing navigation and placement.

Agenda

- Welcome and Opening Remarks
 - Advancing a Statewide System Response to Homelessness
 - ICCHP Member Introductions
 - Governor's Office & GROW NC Updates
 - Member Updates
 - Next Meeting
 - Adjourn
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Advancing a Statewide System Response to Homelessness

Exit to Permanent Housing Person Centered
Literally Homeless **Rapid Exit** Most Vulnerable **Rapid Rehousing**
Returns to Homelessness Progressive Engagement **Housing First**
Low Barrier **Diversion** Light-Touch Services Return Prevention
Trauma Informed Targeting Prevention Transitional Housing
Emergency Shelter Continuum of Care Self-Resolve
Increase Income **Permanent Supportive Housing** At Risk
Coordinated Intake Coordinated Entry Coordinated Assessment
Right-Sized Doubled Up **Comprehensive Services** Stabilization

Over time, our system has become centered on funding streams and programs.

Let's recenter on people and their experience.



Housing Crisis

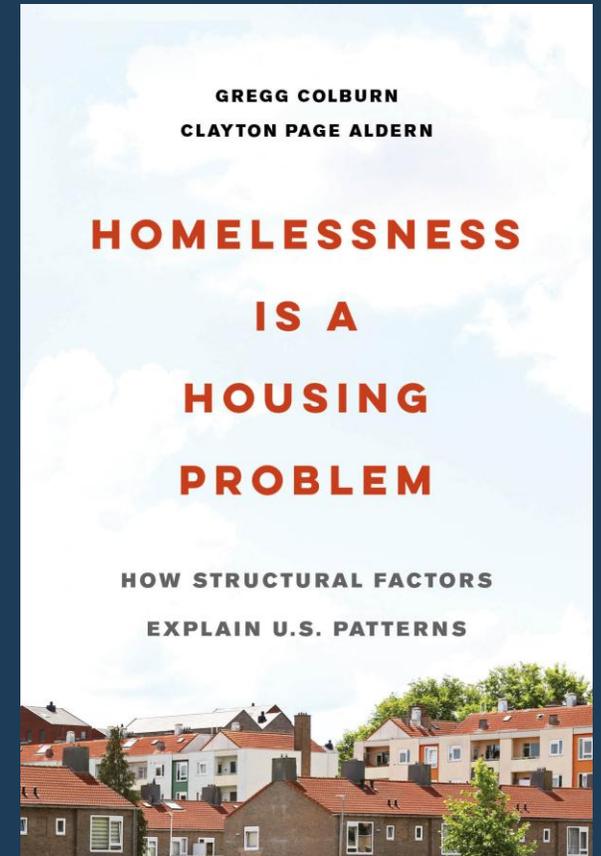


Safe, Stable,
Affordable Housing

Homelessness is a Housing Problem.

Rental vacancy rates — are there enough units available?

Rent levels— are those units affordable for people in the community?



Think of it like the children's game of musical chairs. If I invite ten friends over and set out only nine chairs, then when the music stops, someone is left standing.

Now imagine that the person left standing is Steve, and Steve happens to be on crutches after foot surgery. Did Steve lose because he's on crutches? Or did Steve lose because there weren't enough chairs?

That's how we need to think about homelessness. It's not about individual shortcomings—it's about a shortage of affordable housing units.



There are really two main ways that are used to respond that that shortage:

- 1. Set out more chairs. That means building new units, rehabbing older ones, or investing to keep affordable units online.**
- 2. Increase people's buying power. That's rental assistance, financial supports, and other tools that help households afford what's already available.**



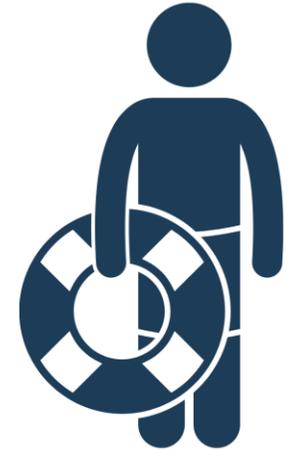
Creating a Housing Plan



Choose a Living Situation



Make a Budget to Ensure Affordability



Add Supports to Obtain and Maintain Housing

Common Living Situations



Choose a Living Situation

- Rental by Household
 - Market
 - Subsidized
- Owned by Household
- Staying or Living with Family or Friends
- Foster Care or Group Home
- Long-Term Care Facility

Common TEMPORARY Living Situations



Choose a Living Situation

- Emergency Shelter
- Transitional Housing
- Respite Care
- Staying or living with friends
- Residential/Halfway house
- Hotel or motel
 - Paid for by household
 - Paid for by agency, someone other than household

Common Financial Assistance



Make a Budget to Ensure Affordability

Standard Unit Costs

Property Provider Incentives

Rent and Utility Assistance

Move-In Assistance

Eviction Prevention Assistance

Childcare Vouchers

SNAP Benefits

Common System Supports



Add Supports

Case Management
Housing Navigation Services
System Navigation Services
Financial Counseling
Health Care Services
Mental Health Care Services
Substance Use Services
Education
Employment

Building Blocks: From Programs to Systems

Federal Partners provide funding and set guardrails for implementation

Examples: HUD CoC, ESG, HUD-VASH, Medicaid

Limitations:

- Funding is often categorical and rigid
- Flat/declining funding over time; slow to adapt.
- One-size-fits-all policies don't always fit rural states or unique local needs.

States Strengthen the Systems Response

State leadership can:

- turn fragmented federal dollars into integrated solutions,
- create stability through coordination, and
- support a systems response in partnership with local and regional partners to drive impact.

With state alignment, every dollar works harder!

Convening Power

The Interagency Council for Coordinating Homeless Programs (ICCHP) is uniquely positioned to:

- Support cross-agency coordination
- Advise the Governor and Legislature with unified priorities.
- Strengthen partnerships with regional councils, PHAs, and nonprofits.

Benefits of Alignment

Efficiency: Reduces duplication across agencies & building capacity.

Impact: More people stably housed, fewer crisis system costs.

Credibility: A unified message carries more weight than siloed asks.

Equity: Urban & rural partners both benefit from coordinated support.

How to impact change?

ICCHP members can pull policy levers to align fragmented state resources and move the needle on homelessness.

Identify
Problems

Equip the Field

Set Direction

Send Clear
Messages

Strengthen
Partnerships

Policy Levers

Identify Problems

Map Gaps with Data
(PIT, Medicaid, Jail
Releases)

Commission State-
Level Studies

Equip the Field

Share NC Specific
Toolkits & Guides

Provide TA & Peer
Learning, esp. Rural
regions

Set Direction

Align funding &
reporting

Inform
Legislative/Budget
Changes

Expand Data
Sharing

Send Clear Messages

Issue memos &
public remarks

Use consistent
talking points

Amplify via
webinars/websites

Strengthen Partnerships

Engage hospitals,
universities,
philanthropy

Coordinate with
regional councils &
PHAs

Co-Convene
gatherings

ICCHP Action

- What interagency partnerships, programs, plans, and meetings exist to support this body of work? How can they be strengthened? Does anything additional (like a workgroup) need to be put in place?
- What levers can be used to achieve ICCHP priorities?
- What are the next steps that should take place to get traction on the priorities?

ICCHP Member Introductions

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Please share a brief introduction (1-2 minutes)

Who you are:

Name, Organization, Role

**How your work contributes to the building blocks
for addressing homelessness:**

Housing | Income/Budget | Supports

Governor's Office & Grow NC Updates

Office of Governor Josh Stein

- Welcome to ICCHP
- Governor's Office Commitment to Housing & Ending Homelessness
- Looking Ahead

Stay connected – ICCHP wants to hear from you!

Email: ICCHP@dhhs.nc.gov

GROW NC

- Overview
- Current Status of Recovery
- FEMA Individual Assistance/Housing Assistance
- Next Steps

Member Updates

Next Meeting

2025 ICCHP Meeting Dates

Current Meeting: Wednesday, September 10th 1:00 – 3:00 PM Virtual

Wednesday, November 12th, 2025 1:00 – 3:00 PM In Person

Adjourn

Thank you for all that you do!
