

Continuum of Care

A local “system” to assist sheltered and unsheltered people experiencing homelessness and providing the services necessary to help them access housing and obtain long-term stability.

- Community-wide planning
- Strategic use of resources
- Coordinate funding for efforts by nonprofit providers
- Minimizing additional trauma and dislocation
- Promote access of mainstream resource
- Report system wide data to determine gaps, needs and measure success

Youth Homelessness Demonstration Program

The goal of YHDP is to support selected communities, including rural, suburban, and urban areas across the United States, in the development and implementation of a coordinated community approach to preventing and ending youth homelessness. Additionally, HUD is committed to sharing that experience of YHDP communities and mobilizing communities around the country toward the same end.

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Youth Homelessness Systems Innovation

HUD announced \$51 million in funding for the Youth Homelessness System Improvement (YHSI) grants on June 6, 2024. YHSI grants will support selected communities in either improving an existing response system for youth homelessness or establishing and implementing a new youth homelessness response system. The grants will focus on systemic change by funding projects that create and build capacity for Youth Action Boards; collect and use data on at-risk youth and youth experiencing homelessness; develop strong leaders within a community; and improve the coordination, communication, operation, and administration of homeless assistance projects to better serve youth, including prevention and diversion strategies. These grants are designed to make and improve connections, coordination, and information sharing within and between systems that serve at-risk youth, including education, child welfare, and juvenile justice.

YHSI grants are being awarded to 38 communities across the United States including 26 states, Puerto Rico, and Guam. The YHSI grants will help these communities build a strong, resilient, and equitable homelessness response system that is less siloed and will break down barriers for youth in crisis. Recognizing that systemic change is often larger than one Continuum of Care, HUD incentivized statewide or cross-community project proposals to emphasize the need for coordination across communities.

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