Welcome

We will begin shortly. Please feel free to introduce yourself in the chat.











COMMUNITY SOLUTIONS



Mayor Hancock

Mayor of Denver

Mayor Starker

Wheat Ridge, Metro Mayors Caucus

Today's Agenda

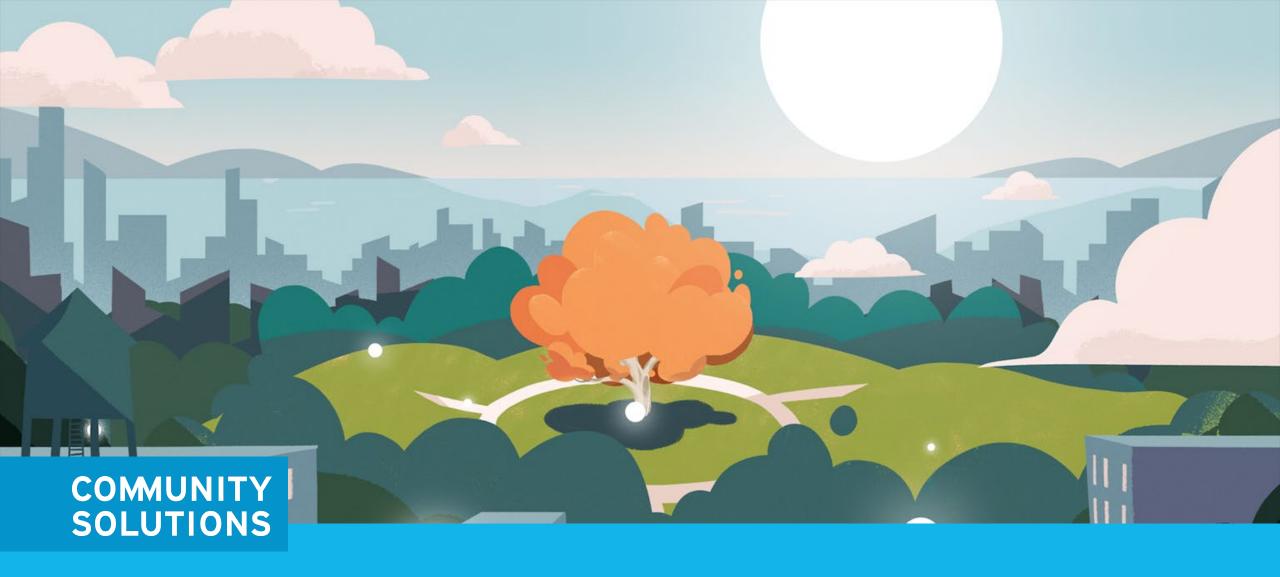
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8:45 - 8:50
             Logistics & Overview - Dr. Jamie Rife, MDHI
8:50 - 9:00
             Veteran's Perspective - Jeff Settles & Missy Mish, VA
             Built for Zero Framework - Melanie Lewis-Dickerson, CS
9:00 - 9:10
             Regional & Local Progress - Dr. Jamie Rife, MDHI
9:10 - 9:20
             Local Perspective - Emma King, City of Aurora
9:20 - 9:30
             Opportunities for Lasting Change - Kristin Toombs, DOLA
9:30 - 9:35
             Governor's Budget - Natriece Bryant, Governor's Office
9:35 - 9:40
             Transformational Task Force - Cathy Alderman, CCH
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             Pledge to Collaborate Regionally - Commissioner Warren-Gully
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Closing Remarks - Governor Jared Polis

9:50 - 10:00

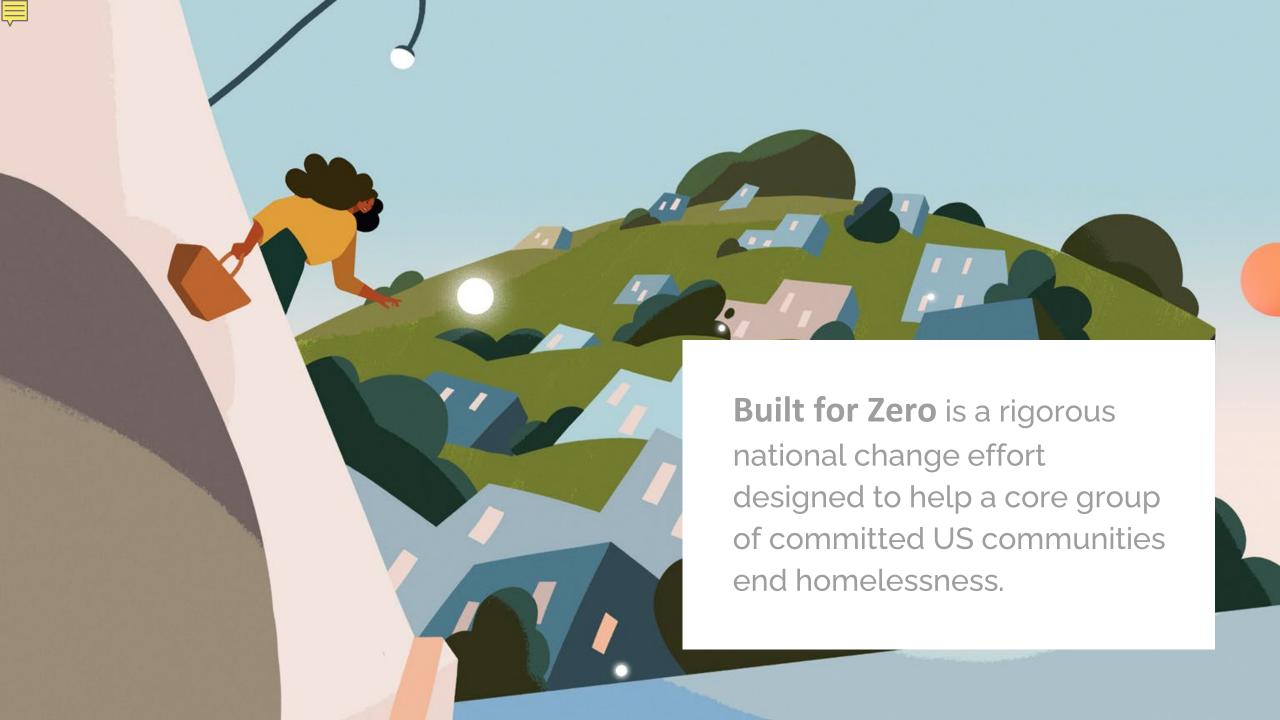
Jeff Settles & Missy Mish–A Veteran's Perspective





We work for a lasting end to homelessness that leaves no one behind.

We envision a more equitable society where homelessness is never inevitable, inescapable, or a way of life.



HOMELESSNESS IS SOLVABLE

Communities in the Built for Zero movement are proving it.

98

communities are

participating in Built for Zero

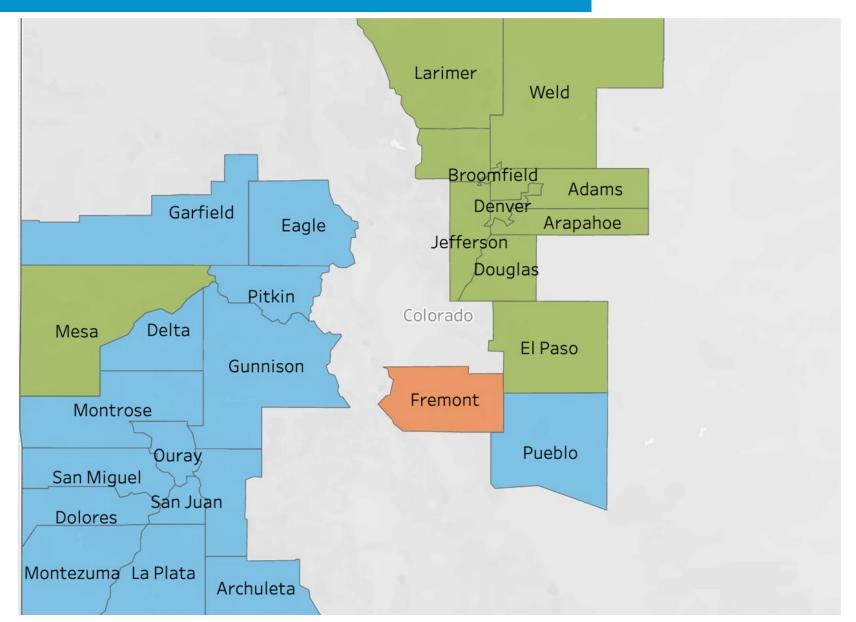
139,000+
individuals housed
by Built for Zero
communities since 2015

communities have functionally ended homelessness for a population

62
communities have achieved quality real-time data

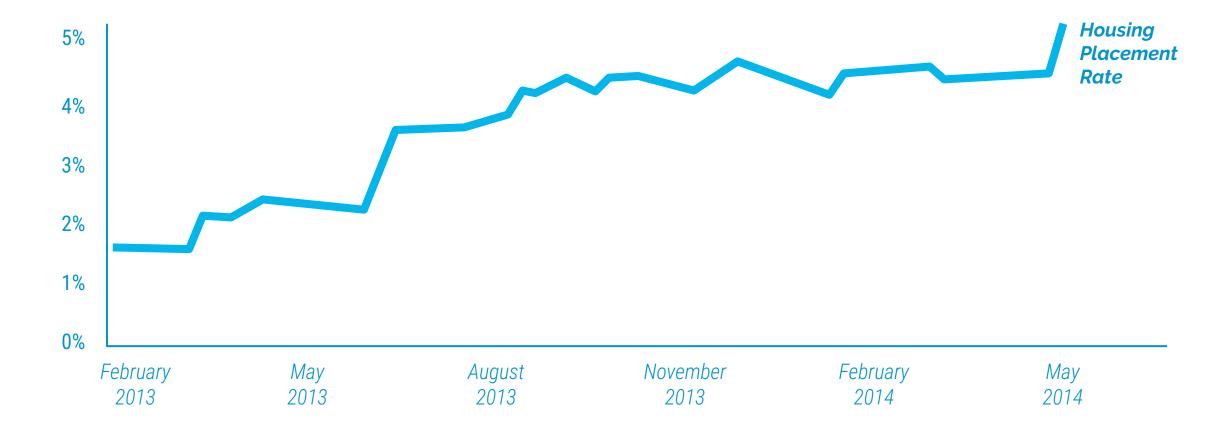
communities have achieved a measurable reduction

Built for Zero Colorado



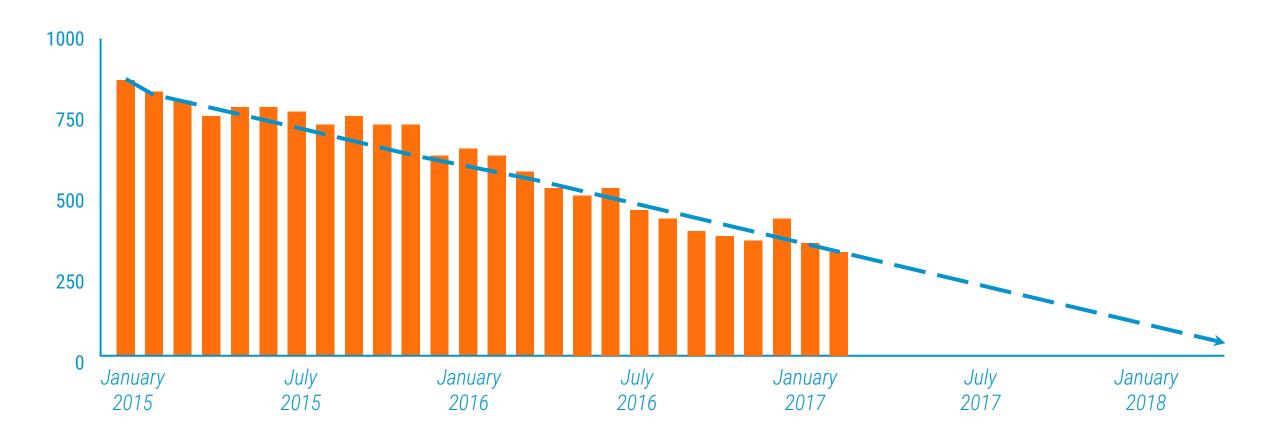
A Movement Built on Counting Up

We designed the 100,000 Homes Campaign to help communities reach a large, aggregate housing total together. **Only one metric mattered: monthly housing placements.**



The Challenge of Counting Down

Built for Zero is designed to help communities **countdown to zero** — a more complex challenge that requires a clearly defined end state for communities to shoot for.



An Operating System for Ending Homelessness

Shared, Measurable Aim Continuous improvement response discipline

Nimble command center team

Rapid, by-name feedback loop

Menu of proven technical strategies

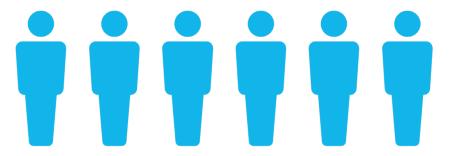
Flexible housing + service resources



A Shared Aim: Functional Zero







6-Mth Avg. Housing Placement Rate

(Most groups)



Actively Homeless



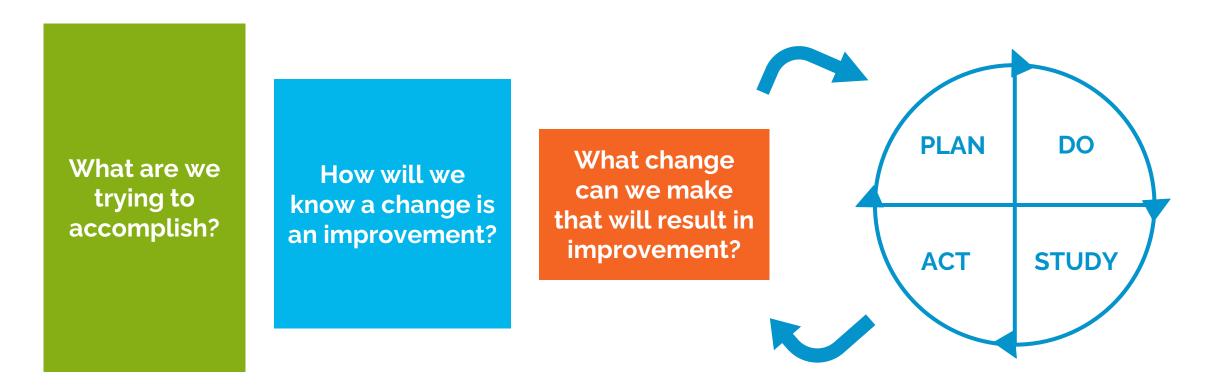
0.1% of all homeless individuals

or

3 people*

(Chronic homelessness)

The Model for Improvement



The Model for Improvement was developed by **Associates in Process Improvement** and taught to us by the **Institute for Healthcare Improvement**. Thank you!

Real-time, by-name data











OUTFLOW:
HOUSING
PLACEMENTS





The Shift from Program to System

Jacksonville-Duval, Clay Counties CoC

Actively Homeless # for Chronic



Melanie Lewis-Dickerson

Community Solutions mlewisdickerson@community.solutions

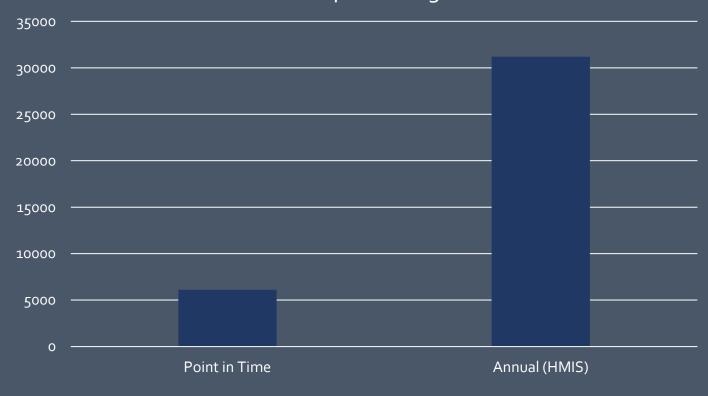
Implementation in Our Region

Operationalizing Built for Zero in Metro-Denver

Dr. Jamie Rife, Executive Director, Metro Denver Homeless Initiative



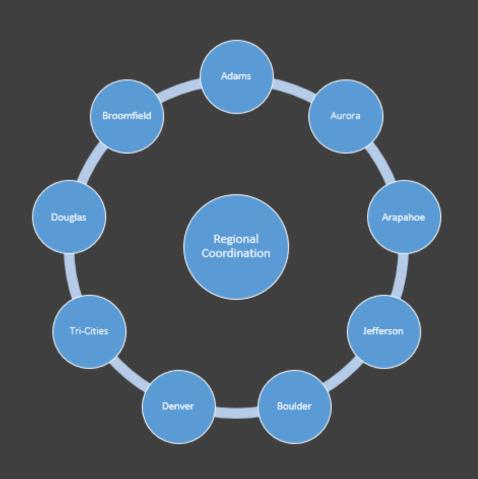
Number of Those Experiencing Homelessness



Point-in-Time Versus Real-Time Data



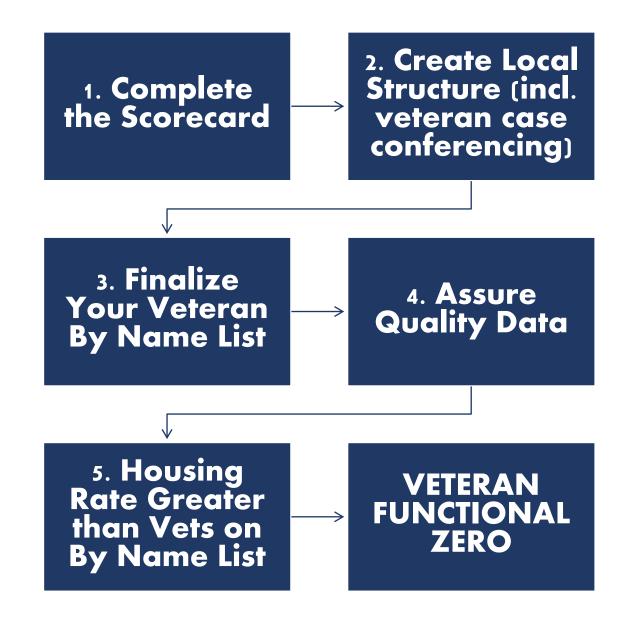




The Structure for Regional Coordination



Steps to Reaching Functional Zero



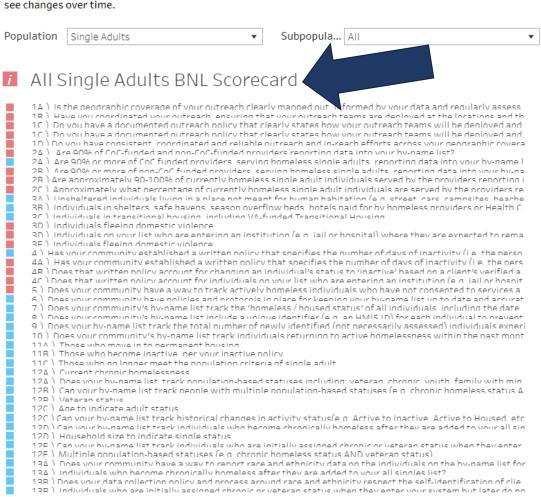


METRO DENVER SUBREGION | BY-NAME LIST





A quality by-name list (QBNL) provides consistent and timely data that can be used to accurately identify trends, needs, and progress towards ending homelessness. A QBNL indicates that your system can account for every individual experiencing homelessness. Hover over chart areas to learn more about the data and to see changes over time.









Step 2: Create Local Structure

(Including Veteran Case Conferencing)

WHAT: Make decisions and clear paths WHO: Elected Officials, Leads of Key Providers, Municipal Leaders, MDHI, Human Services, etc. Teams WHAT: Coordinate overall response to homelessness WHO: Municipal/County/City Leaders and staff, Providers, MDHI Improvement Advisors,

WHAT: Veteran specific case specific case conferencing WHO: Case Conference Lead, Providers for Veterans, MDHI IAs, VA, etc.

etc.





Step 3: Regional Veteran By Name List (BNL)

Date	Verified Active Homeless	Inflow	Outflow	Housed	Identified Homeless Veterans not enrolled in HMIS	Newly Identified	Returned from Inactive	Returned from Housing Placement	Inactive	Chronically Homeless
Jan-21	511	87	71	52	15	59	15	13	19	178
Feb-21	513	68	115	53	12	45	15	8	62	181
Mar-21	500	62	72	37	10	37	10	15	35	171
Apr-21	506	68	66	36	11	37	11	20	30	164
May-21	482	67	88	37	12	49	8	10	49	156
Jun-21	432	61	112	50	10	45	9	7	63	131
Jul-21	450	67	49	18	11	33	16	14	31	146
Aug-21	472	72	45	27	8	44	15	13	18	144
Sep-21	447	64	90	35	8	37	15	12	55	138
Oct-21	471	79	55	39	7	46	13	20	16	165
Nov-21	449	75	96	38	5	39	14	22	58	181
Dec-21	434	57	79	35	5	27	13	17	44	175
Jan-22	472	83	43	33	1	56	11	16	10	184
Feb-22	427	71	118	44	2	42	15	14	73	160
March -22	420	62	74	34	3	34	14	15	40	157



Trend for Veteran Homelessness



Date	Adams	Aurora	Arapahoe	Boulder	Broomfield	Denver	Douglas	Jefferson	Tri- Cities
August	36	31	27	22	1	331	0	38	1
September	35	27	18	19	0	322	0	34	0
October	30	24	17	19	0	355	0	31	1
November	29	26	11	16	0	353	2	21	1
December	27	25	11	18	0	343	2	18	1
January	38	44	11	21	0	373	1	18	2
February	9	45	1	11	1	344	0	11	5
March	8	48	4	7	1	332	0	15	5

Step 3: Subregional Veteran By Name List (BNL)



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Step Four: Quality Data

138 \ Individuals who are initially assigned chronic or veteran status when they enter your system but later do no



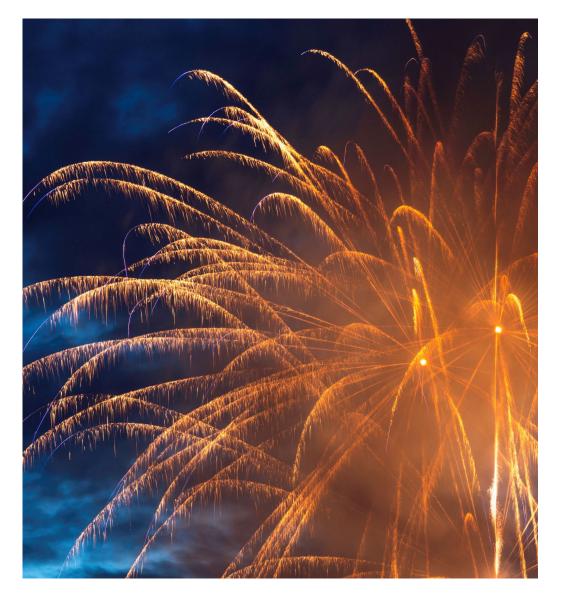
Step 5: Housing Rates Exceed Actively Homeless

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Step 6: Reach Functional Zero for Veterans

(Celebrate and Move to Next Subpopulation)





Built for Zero Local Leaders

Subregion	Name	Organization
Adams	Lindsey Earl	Adams County
Arapahoe	Kathy Smith	Arapahoe County
Aurora	Lana Dalton	City of Aurora
Boulder	Heidi Grove	Boulder County
Broomfield	Angela Koenig	The Refuge
Denver	Lauren Lapinski/HOST	VA/City of Denver
Douglas	Luke Thornton	Douglas County
Jefferson	Kelli Barker	Jefferson County
Tri-Cities	Mike Sandgren	Change the Trend



IMPACT





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Aurora BFZ Case Conferencing

Emma King, Homeless Program Liaison



How Aurora's Case Conferencing Works

- Aurora area partners attend and discuss current individual needs of Veterans on the By Name List (BNL):
 - Outreach workers and case managers
 - People with the most contact with clients are main attendees
 - Meeting frequency fluctuates depending on need
- Go through as many names as we can in 1 hour
 - Focus on tasks for each client, instead of updates.
 - Assign tasks to <u>specific</u> people to move individuals to stability
 - Don't spend too much time on one client, but rather work efficiently to coordinate on each one
- All those providing direct care have access to the BNL
 - Teams shared folder houses information

Aurora's Current By Name List

- Currently 71 Veterans due to increased efforts for identification and better connections to outreach/services/housing
- Started with 25 but improved coordination gave a better understanding of the actual number of Veterans currently in Aurora
- BFZ brings the spotlight and focus
- Outcomes
 - 11 housed thus far
 - 10 in Grant Per Diem (GPD)
 - 10-15 actively working on accessing Emergency Housing Vouches (EHV) to obtain long-term stability

Aurora Outreach Collaborative

- Born from a BFZ outreach meeting
- Need for collaboration to avoid duplication of outreach efforts as well as assure there is geographic coverage in all corners of Aurora
- Meetings review the BFZ scorecard to move "red" outreach areas to "blue"
- Trainings on evidence-based practices as well as coordination and collaboration is part of the meetings

Emma King

She/Her/Hers

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Kristin Toombs

Director of the Office of Homeless Initiatives

Colorado Department of Local Affairs – Division of Housing

The Opportunities Ahead of Us



Safe and Healthy Communities: Proposed Homelessness Initiatives Natriece Bryant,







Guiding Mission

The State of Colorado is focused on supporting communities in creating a robust continuum of proven solutions designed to connect people without stable housing to supportive services, behavioral health and medical care, and housing.

The state invests in best practices now, but not at the scale needed. We have the unique opportunity to bring those best practices and proven solutions to scale.

The Governor's budget submission requests \$200M from the \$700M Economic Development and Relief Funds for community investments in homelessness response.



The need

Doubling of first time homeless experience in Denver shelters in the past year.

9,846

People in shelters, transitional housing, or unsheltered one night in Jan. (2020 HUD Point in Time Count)

14,600+

Individuals estimated to need housing units with services in CO. (2019 CSH)

23,000+

Students experiencing homelessness, doubled-up, or unstably housed.

(2018-19 school year, McKinney-Vento liaisons)

53,000+

Individuals without stable housing covered by CO Medicaid. (2019 HCPF Medicaid data)



Homelessness Proposals

Item	Description
Competitive Grant Program: Safety Net Campuses, Transitional and Permanent Supportive Housing Request \$100 million	Colorado is currently lacking long-term recovery and housing options for people experiencing homelessness - especially those with substance use disorders and exiting the criminal justice system or other state institutions.
	Competitive grants program for safety net campuses, and both transitional and supportive housing; add plus up for programs that also serve justice involved individuals.
Denver Regional Campus (with Transitional Housing) Request \$50 million	Modeled similar to Ridge View
Ridge View Recovery Campus (with Transitional Housing) Request \$45 million	All other Ridge View services above \$25M, including outpatient services; this includes initial seed for FQHC, mental health, SUD, and medical and non-medical case management services and may support ongoing costs.
Data Collection and Outreach for Homelessness Response Request \$5 million	Align and invest in data collection processes and expand outreach/intervention strategies to chronically homeless population; Create lasting structure for efficient coordination of resources. This funding can also support coordinated entry systems which will help connect people experiencing homelessness with the program most likely to fit their unique needs regardless of where they initially seek assistance.
	This will ensure better coordination between health, justice, and housing systems with the goal of not discharging individuals into homelessness.



Competitive Grant Program - \$100M

Support investments in community-based continuum of services and supports for people at risk of or experiencing homelessness with complex needs (including behavioral health needs), including:

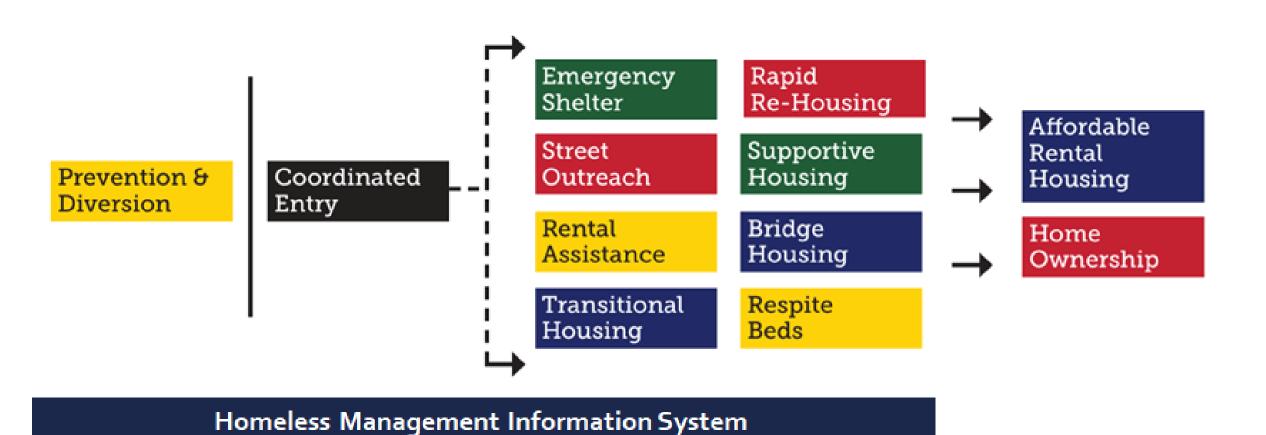
- Emergency shelters
- Transitional housing
- Recovery care and related residential programs
- Permanent housing with wrap-around services

Grants will be issued for innovative programs that meet the needs of individuals experiencing or at risk of homelessness. Collaborative partnerships with matching funds from local governments, philanthropy, and private partners are expected.

Technical assistance and grant writing support has been discussed as a component



Continuum of Response





Ridge View Supportive Recovery Campus - \$45M

Ridge View Youth Services Center is a high quality state owned asset

Provides opportunity to expand upon lessons learned at Fort Lyon Supportive Residential Community in Bent County

Goal is to Invest in a supportive community model that integrates a continuum of recovery oriented services and care (e.g. detox/withdrawal supports), transitional housing, vocational rehabilitation, and oral, physical, and behavioral health services

Leverage local resources and collaborative partnerships



Denver Supportive Regional Campus - \$50M

Similar to the Fort Lyon and proposed Ridge View supportive community models, a Denver-area supportive residential regional campus that leverages additional resources and integrates a continuum of services and supports to address physical and behavioral health while provided safe space for recovery



Data Collection and Outreach - \$5M

WHY:

- Data to understand the need and whether we are reducing the number of people experiencing homelessness.
- 2) Understanding who is experiencing homelessness and what their needs and barriers are is critical to informing strategies and creating an efficient coordination of resources.

AIM:

- 1) Increase capacity across the state to locate, identify, and engage anyone living unsheltered
- 2) Increase capacity to improve the data collection of that effort as well as data from homeless programs

Together, these efforts will enhance our collective and accurate knowledge of who is experiencing homelessness and be that bridge to connecting the services and housing.

HOW:

- Fund community-based organizations to hire outreach staff who coordinate with existing efforts that engage people living unsheltered. They will ensure an accurate list is created and engage individuals to assess needs to connect to care and housing.
- 2) Fund the Continuum of Care entities to increase Homeless Management Information System utilization.



ARPA Compliance Guidance

One time spending with de minimis outyear costs

18 months

Provides economic stimulus (jobs, multiplier effect, etc.)

Provides relief to address a gap

U.S. Treasury Department approved dollars in key areas:

- To respond to the public health emergency or its negative economic impacts, including assistance to households, small businesses, and nonprofits, or aid to impacted industries such as tourism, travel, and hospitality;
- To respond to workers performing essential work during the COVID-19 public health emergency by providing premium pay to eligible workers;
- To make necessary investments in water, sewer, or broadband infrastructure.
- Funds must be obligated before the end of 2024

Affordable Housing Transformational Task Force & Subpanel Summary

April 5, 2022

Cathy Alderman
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Vice Chair, SubPanel to the Affordable Housing Transformational Task Force

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American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (ARPA)

- HB21-1329 required the Executive Committee of the Legislative Council, by resolution, to create a task force to meet during the 2021 interim and to issue a report with recommendations to the general assembly and the Governor on "policies to create transformative change in the area of housing using money the state receives from ARPA."
- \$500m (\$100m transferred immediately and \$400m for Task Force/SubPanel process)
- Funds must be obligated by December 31, 2024 and expended by December 31, 2026.

Task Force Members

- **CHAIR, Representative Dylan Roberts**
- **❖ VICE CHAIR, Senator Julie Gonzales**
- Senator Jeff Bridges
- Senator Dennis Hisey
- Senator Rachel Zenzinger
- Senator Rob Woodward
- Representative Andres Pico
- Representative Iman Jodeh
- Representative Steven Woodrow
- Representative Dan Woog

- Rick Garcia, ED of Department of Local Affairs
- Alison George, Director of Division of Housing
- Chantal Unfug, Director of Division of Local Government
- Kristin Toombs, Director of Office of Homeless Initiatives
- Cris White, ED and CEO of Colorado Housing and Finance Authority
- ❖ Will Toor, ED of Colorado Energy Office

Subpanel Members

- CHAIR, Brian Rossbert, Housing Colorado (Nonprofit Housing Advocacy)
- VICE CHAIR, Cathy Alderman of the Colorado
 Coalition for the Homeless (Homelessness Expertise)
- Aaron Miripol, Urban Land Conservancy (Land Trust)
- Roberto Rey, AARP (Housing for seniors and people living with disabilities)
- Wanda Harrison , The Second Chance Center (Homelessness Expertise)
- Eric Leveridge, Colorado Jobs with Justice (Representing Workers)
- Steven Cordova, Tri-County Housing Authority (Local Housing Authority)

- Kinsey Hasstedt, Enterprise Community Partners (Non-profit Housing Expertise)
- Tamara Pogue, Summit County Commissioner (Commissioner of Local Government)
- Adam Paul, Lakewood Mayor (Mayor of Local Government)
- Tawny Peyton, Rocky Mountain Home Association (Factory-Built Housing Expertise)
- Andrew Hamrick, Colorado Apartment Association (Property Manager and Landlords)
- ❖ Paul Weissman, Lument (Housing Financing)
- * Karl Koebel, Koebel & Co. (For-profit Housing)
- Julie Piepho, Adams Bank & Trust (Real Estate Market and Transactions)



Allowable Uses of ARPA Dollars:

- 1. The permissible uses of money allocated to the state for housing purposes under ARPA
 - Services to address homelessness such as supportive housing, and to improve access to stable, affordable housing among unhoused individuals;
 - Affordable housing development to increase the supply of affordable and high-quality living units; and
 - Housing vouchers, residential counseling, or housing navigation assistance to facilitate
 household moves to neighborhoods with high levels of economic opportunity and mobility for
 low-income residents, to help residents increase their economic opportunity and reduce
 concentrated areas of low economic opportunity.
- 2. Populations, households, or geographic areas disproportionately impacted by COVID
- 3. Assessing whether a program or service "responds" to COVID requires the recipient to:
 - Identify a need or negative impact of COVID; and
 - Identify how the program, service, or other intervention addresses the identified need or impact.

Strategic Priorities

Expand capacity

- Development of more housing
- Align subsidies/vouchers
- Prepare Communities to make use of funding

Stabilize existing affordable housing

- Emergency assistance
- Preservation / Rehabilitation
- Long-term affordability

Strengthen the safety net

- Homelessness resolution/Prevention
- Integration of systems and resources

Ensure equity and access

 Prioritize historically and disproportionately impacted households

Funding Recommendations	Low End	High End
 Revolving Loan Fund: New and Existing Capacity Gap financing (5-7.5%) Maintain existing affordable housing (4.5-6.5%) Governor's priority: Green Energy for AH 	\$150M (37.5%)	\$222M (55.5%)
 Nonprofit and Local government Grants Gap financing (5-7.5%) Maintain existing affordable housing (4.5-6.5%) Sustainable rental assistance (4-6%) Governor's priority: Strong Communities Governor's priority: Green Energy for AH 	\$150M (37.5%)	\$222M (55.5%)
Resident Owned Communities, Mobile Home Parks, and Land- Banking	\$35M (8.75%)	\$51M (12.75%)
Property Conversion for Transitional or Long-Term housing *	\$0M (0%)	\$0M (0%)

Funding Recommendations Contd.	Low End	High End
Permanent Supportive Housing and Supportive Services Fund * Behavioral Health Transformational Task Force and Task Force on Economic Recovery Relief Cash Fund may provide \$254M	\$0M (0%)	\$0M (0%)
 Modular Housing In combination with Governor's priority: Innovative Housing Incentive Program 	\$40M (10%)	\$48M (12%)
CHFA Missing Middle Access Program • Governor's priority	\$35M (8.75%)	\$51M (12.75%)
Totals	\$400M (100%)	\$568M (142%)

What's Next/Happening:

- Legislative session started on January 12th
- Bills to date:
 - HB1304 State Grants Investments Local Affordable Housing
 - SB159 Revolving Loan Fund Invest Affordable Housing
 - SB146 Middle Income Access Program Expansion
 - HB1282 Innovative Housing Incentive Program
 - <u>HB1051</u> Modify Affordable Housing Tax Credit
 - <u>SB160</u> Loan Program Resident Owned Communities

*HB1083 – Colorado Homeless Contribution Tax Credit

Policy Recommendations – Consensus Items

1. Expand the State Tax Credit Program

- 10-year extension and increase from \$10M to \$15M
- Sponsors: Sen. Zenzinger and Rep. Bird
- 2. Establish a Standing or Interim Committee or Task Force on Housing and Homelessness
- 3. Provide Funding for DOLA Division of Housing to Update and Expand a Statewide Housing Needs Assessment
 - Incorporate and consolidate existing data resources and local needs assessments in support of HB21-1028 and provide regular (e.g., annual) public reporting
 - Support local governments with needs assessments
- 4. Ensure Sustainable Funding for Supportive Services, and Integration with Affordable Housing
 - Establish bridge funding until long-term solution is in place

5. Short-Term Rentals

 Support and examine the work of the Legislative Oversight Committee Concerning Tax Policy and Task Force in developing data-driven recommendations

6. Statewide Homelessness Prevention and Resolution

Provide sustainable funding for the Office of Homelessness Initiatives and community partners

Commissioner Warren-Gully

Arapahoe County



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The 2022 Pledge

In metro Denver we have a shared goal of making homelessness, rare, brief and non-recurring.

We understand that there are many paths to homelessness including high housing prices, stagnant wages, domestic violence, disability, chronic conditions, and mental and behavioral health challenges.

We are committed to addressing these core issues in an equitable manner to ensure that homelessness is not a destination, but rather a low point on the path toward a better future.

To this end, we pledge to work together and exercise leadership to:

- Build on our success from year one of Built for Zero which reduced veteran homelessness by 15% despite rising rates of homelessness nationwide;
- Use the shared Homeless Management Information System or "HMIS" database that enables us to better serve our neighbors experiencing homelessness regardless of their location in the region;
- Tailor our interventions and methods to reflect peer reviewed best practices;
- Collaborate regionally to maximize our investments in housing, treatment and other critical resources.

QR Code to Sign the Pledge





Closing Remarks: Governor Jared Polis

ThankYou

Please expect an email with today's information, links, and action steps.