



MINNESOTA
INTERAGENCY COUNCIL
ON HOMELESSNESS

Minnesota Housing
HSWH Grantee Meeting

January 31, 2022

Stay current with important homelessness updates

- Weekly newsletter and webinar for partners supporting people experiencing homelessness issued by the Minnesota Interagency Council on Homelessness
 - Sign up via Minnesota Housing's eNews, <http://www.mnhousing.gov/sites/np/enews>
 - Select "Topics and Issues for Providers Serving People Experiencing Homelessness"
 - Weekly webinar focused on COVID-19 response for programs and settings serving people experiencing homelessness, Wednesdays 1 – 2 pm
- **Please share with your colleagues!**

2021 Legislative Outcomes

Increased investments in existing programs

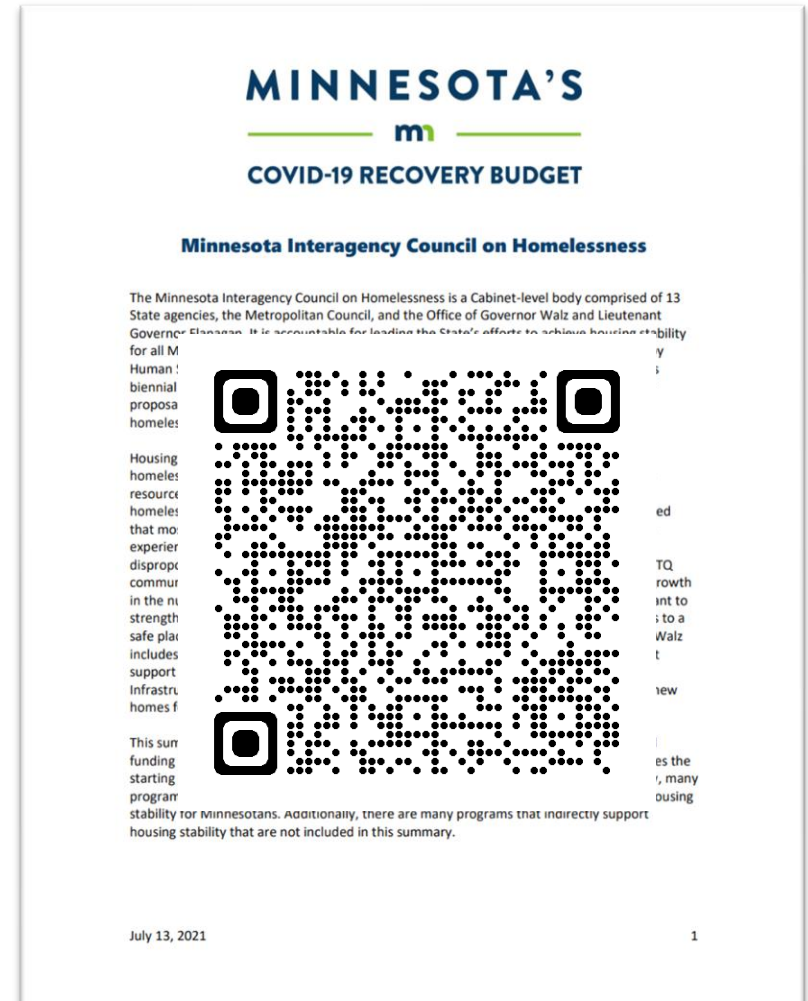
- \$12 million for Emergency Services Program and additional \$2 million increase for emergency shelter to increase capacity and improve conditions
- \$26 million for Community Living Infrastructure grants
- Expanded funding and activities for Housing Stabilization Services
- \$583,000 for Emergency Assistance for Postsecondary Students program
- \$6.3 million for supporting and expanding Veteran homelessness efforts
- \$100 million investment in Housing Infrastructure Bonds

New programs or initiatives

- Reentry supports and plan to mitigate homelessness in corrections involved individuals
- Task Force on Shelter
- \$40 million in Local Homelessness Prevention Aid (starting SFY 2024)

Full details:

https://headinghomealliance.com/wp-content/uploads/2021/07/2021-Legislative-Summary-MICH_20210713.pdf



Local Homeless Prevention Aid

- Aid to county governments distributed by Minnesota Department of Revenue
- Amount per county calculated based on:
 - Share of state population
 - Rate of student homelessness
 - Minimum of \$5,000 per county
- \$20 million per year, paid in two installments
 - Initial county allocations will be determined by August 1, 2022.
 - First installment (\$10 million total) in December 2022. Next installment June 2023.
 - Five years of payments ending with FY2028.
- Legislative intent and justification based on Homework Starts with Home.
- Legislative purpose is “to help local governments ensure no child is homeless within a local jurisdiction by keeping families from losing housing and helping those experiencing homelessness find housing.”
- Funds can go to a wide variety of new or existing projects or programs.
- Counties must report on use of funds.
- Significant local discretion in use of funds.
- Full legislative details: *Minnesota Session Laws 2021, 1st Special Session, Chapter 14, Article 7, Section 3.*

Potential activities and next steps

Funded activities may be administered by a county, a group of contiguous counties jointly acting together, a city, a group of contiguous cities jointly acting together, a Tribe, a group of Tribes, or a community-based nonprofit organization.

Funded activities must include plans for:

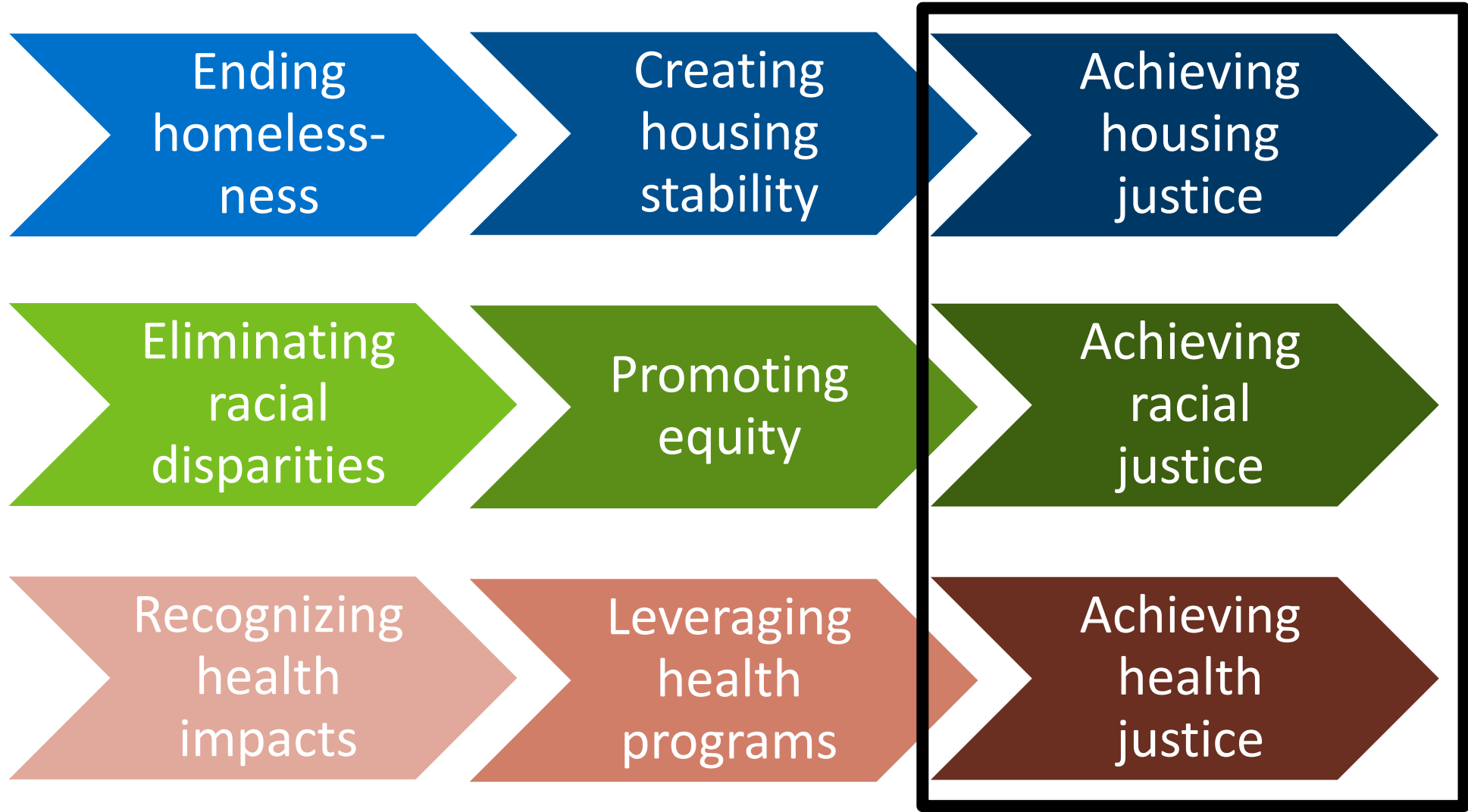
- Targeting homeless or at-risk families with PreK – 12 children
- Targeting unaccompanied youth in need of an alternative residential setting
- Connecting families with the social services necessary to maintain the families' stability in their homes
- Providing one or more of the following:
 - Rental assistance
 - Support and case management services to improve housing stability

Next steps

- Interagency team consisting of Minnesota Housing, MDE, and MICH is compiling examples, templates, and best practices to share with interested counties and other partners.
- Supporting existing programs (FHPAP, HSWH, etc.) will be included.
- Hopefully will include peer-to-peer learning and support opportunities
- ***Do you know of a great example of eligible programming to support homeless families with PreK – 12 children?*** Please share!

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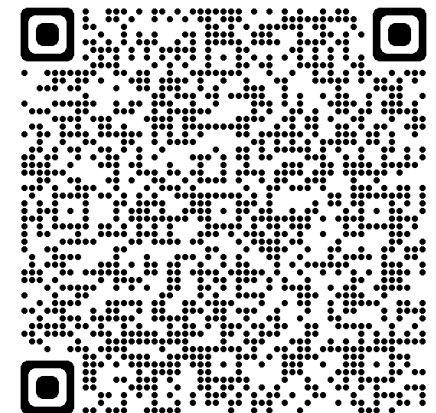
A new orientation for the work of the Council



Homelessness is the most egregious form of housing injustice.



- The Walz-Flanagan Budget to Move Minnesota Forward prioritizes investments in housing Stability budget. This includes:
 - 35 proposals from six State agencies
 - 19 new programs and budget line items
 - Over \$1 billion in proposed spending over the next three State fiscal years
- Full summary of the Housing Stability proposal:
<https://headinghomealliance.com/wp-content/uploads/2022/01/Move-Minnesota-Forward-Housing-Stability-budget-January-2022.pdf>



THE WALZ-FLANAGAN BUDGET



TO MOVE MINNESOTA FORWARD

Housing Stability Budget Summary by agency, budget, and program	FY2023 (millions)	FY2024 (millions)	FY2025 (millions)	Total (millions)
DHS	\$118.1	\$69.1	\$88.2	\$275.4
Capital	\$72.0	--	--	\$72.0
Emergency Shelter Facilities	\$72.0	--	--	\$72.0
Operating	\$46.1	\$69.1	\$88.2	\$203.4
Addressing Deep Poverty	\$0.1	\$19.4	\$26.7	\$46.2
AmeriCorps Heading Home Corps Program	\$1.1	\$1.1	\$1.1	\$3.3
Community Living Infrastructure Program	--	--	\$11.0	\$11.0
ESP Funding for shelter services	\$35.0	\$30.0	\$30.0	\$95.0
Homeless Management Information System	\$1.6	\$2.0	\$2.0	\$5.6
Housing Stabilization Services eligibility staff	--	--	\$0.8	\$0.8
Housing Support for Adults with Serious Mental Illness Program Expansion	\$3.1	\$3.1	\$3.1	\$9.2
Housing Transition Services through Housing Stabilization Services	--	\$1.1	\$1.1	\$2.3
Housing Workforce Study	\$0.2	\$0.2	--	\$0.4
Increase Homeless Youth Act Program	--	\$5.6	\$5.6	\$11.2
Increase Transitional Housing Program	--	\$1.5	\$1.5	\$3.0
Joint homelessness prevention initiative	--	--	\$0.2	\$0.2
PATH Program Expansion	\$5.0	\$5.0	\$5.0	\$15.0
Staff position in the Housing Division for stakeholder engagement	\$0.1	\$0.1	\$0.1	\$0.2

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DPS	\$1.3	\$2.0	\$2.0	\$5.3
Operating	\$1.3	\$2.0	\$2.0	\$5.3
Domestic Violence Housing First	\$0.5	\$0.8	\$0.8	\$2.0
Transitional Supportive Housing for Survivors of Domestic and Sexual Violence	\$0.8	\$1.3	\$1.3	\$3.3
MDH	\$1.1	\$1.1	\$1.1	\$3.4
Operating	\$1.1	\$1.1	\$1.1	\$3.4
HIV Prevention for people experiencing homelessness	\$1.1	\$1.1	\$1.1	\$3.4
MDHR	\$0.4	\$0.4	\$0.4	\$1.1
Operating	\$0.4	\$0.4	\$0.4	\$1.1
Prohibit Rental Discrimination Based on Public Housing Assistance Status	\$0.4	\$0.4	\$0.4	\$1.1
MDVA	\$11.6	\$6.9	\$3.9	\$22.4
Operating	\$11.6	\$6.9	\$3.9	\$22.4
Increase engagement and outreach activities	\$1.7	\$1.7	\$1.7	\$5.1
Low-barrier, permanent supportive housing for Veterans	\$8.8	\$4.2	\$1.2	\$14.2
Tenancy supports and landlord engagement activities	\$1.1	\$1.0	\$1.0	\$3.1

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Minnesota Housing	\$535.5	\$92.0	\$92.0	\$719.5
Capital	\$310.0	--	--	\$310.0
General Obligation Bonds for Public Housing Rehabilitation program	\$60.0	--	--	\$60.0
Housing Infrastructure Bonds	\$250.0	--	--	\$250.0
Operating	\$225.5	\$92.0	\$92.0	\$409.5
Challenge	\$25.0	\$15.0	\$15.0	\$55.0
Community Stabilization	\$100.0	--	--	\$100.0
Downpayment assistance	\$12.0	\$10.0	\$10.0	\$32.0
Flexible Financing for Capital Costs	\$10.0	--	--	\$10.0
Greater Minnesota Workforce Housing	\$10.0	\$8.0	\$8.0	\$26.0
Homelessness Prevention	\$19.5	\$9.5	\$9.5	\$38.5
Housing Trust Fund -- Rental Assistance	\$10.0	\$12.5	\$12.5	\$35.0
Landlord Risk Mitigation Fund	\$5.0	--	--	\$5.0
Pre-Natal to Pre-K Housing Assistance (Homework Starts with Home Expansion)	\$10.0	\$10.0	\$10.0	\$30.0
Strengthen the Supportive Housing Model	\$12.0	\$15.0	\$15.0	\$42.0
Workforce and Affordable Homeownership	\$12.0	\$12.0	\$12.0	\$36.0

Thank you!