#### 35TH ANNIVERSARY CONFERENCE 2022 HOUSING MATTERS



## Implementing the State Plan to Prevent & End Homelessness



#### Ending homelessness in Illinois

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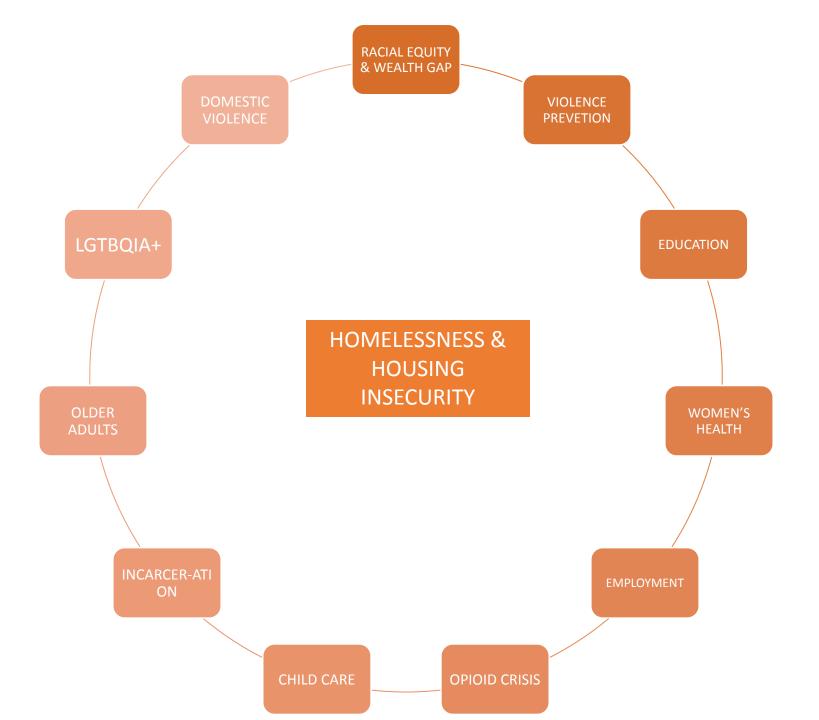




#### <u>'Home Illinois: Illinois'</u> <u>Plan to Prevent and End Homelessness</u>

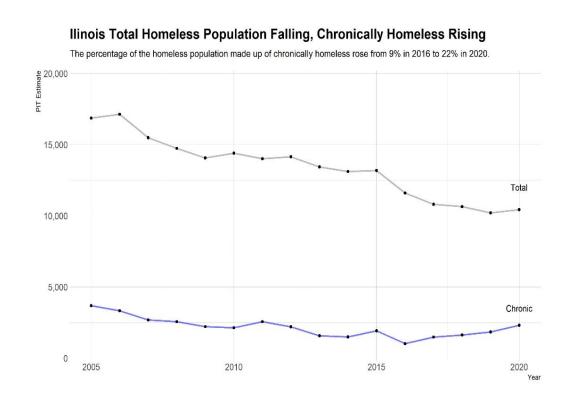
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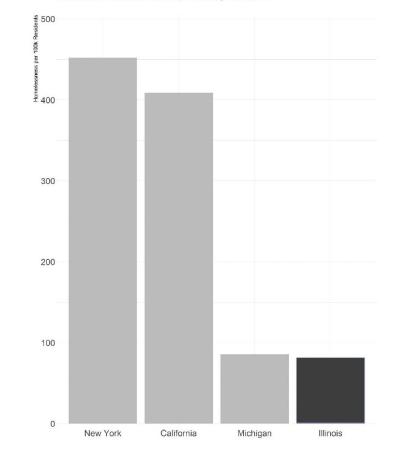
June 2022



#### Homelessness in Illinois

- 2020 HUD Point-in-Time Count: 10,431
- IL State Board of Education: 47,455 homeless in 2019-2020 school year
  - 85.8% doubled up
  - 9.3% shelters, transitional housing, awaiting foster care
  - 4.2% hotels/motels
  - 0.7% unsheltered





#### Prevalence of Homelessness per 100k by State, 2020

### PER CAPITA HOMELESSNESS STATE ANALYSIS

# Key Components of executive order 2021-21

- Signed by Governor Pritzker on September 3, 2021
- Creates new homelessness infrastructure within State of Illinois government
  - Interagency Task Force on Homelessness
  - Community Advisory Council on Homelessness
  - State Homelessness Chief & Illinois Office to Prevent & End Homelessness
- Develop a State Plan and deliver to Governor Pritzker and the Illinois General Assembly by June 1,2022.
- Prepare an annual report to the Governor and General Assembly by December 1st of each year with the first report delivered on December 1, 2022.



- Address homelessness & achieve functional zero of homelessness
- Address unnecessary institutionalization
- Improve health and human services outcomes for people experiencing homelessness
- Strengthening safety nets that contribute to housing stability
- Coordinate homeless prevention resources

# Interagency Task force on homelessness

- Modeled after US Interagency Task Force on Homelessness
  - State models: Wisconsin, Minnesota, California
- Set strategic direction for ending homelessness
- Recommend policy, regulatory and resource changes needed to end homelessness
- Recommend & promote interagency collaboration on related efforts, e.g., Poverty Commission, Hunger Commission
- Establish sustainability plan for reaching goals
- Meet quarterly; 1<sup>st</sup> Meeting March 2022

### Interagency task force on homelessness Directors

Housing Development Authority	Human Services	Public Health	Healthcare and Family Services	Children & Family Services
Veterans Affairs	Corrections	State Police	Juvenile Justice	Criminal Justice Information Authority
Aging	Commerce & Economic Opportunity	Economic Security	State Board of Education	Board of Higher Education
	Community College Board	Governor's Office of Management & Budget	State Homelessness Chief (Chair)	

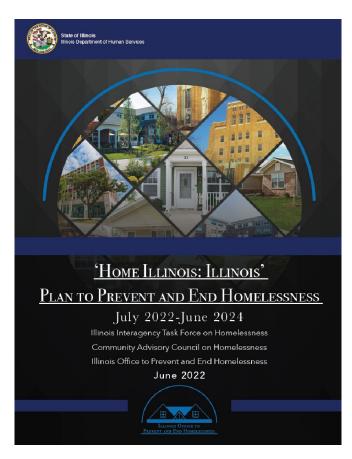
# Community advisory council on homelessness seats



### ILLINOIS OFFICE TO PREVENT & END HOMELESSNESS

- CHIEF + 5 NEW STAFF + IDHS STATEWIDE HOUSING COORDINATOR
- WORK ACROSS STATE AGENCIES TO IMPLEMENT PLAN
- GUIDE POLICY RECOMMENDATIONS & PILOTS

## Home illinois



# Informing the plan: Community

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Monday December 6th		Monday, December 13 <sup>th</sup>	Suburban Cook – Persons Lived Experience
	Rock Island		Chicago – Persons Lived Experience
Tuesday, December 7th		Tuesday, December 14 <sup>th</sup>	Aurora
	St Clair County		Rockford
Wednesday, December 8th	Mount Vernon	Wednesday, December 15 <sup>th</sup>	Chicago – West Side
	Greenup		Suburban Cook
Thursday, December 9th	Champaign	Thursday, December 16 <sup>th</sup>	Chicago – South Side
	Springfield		
Friday, December 10th	Peoria	Friday, December 17 <sup>th</sup>	State Employees
	Peoria – Persons with Lived Experience of		

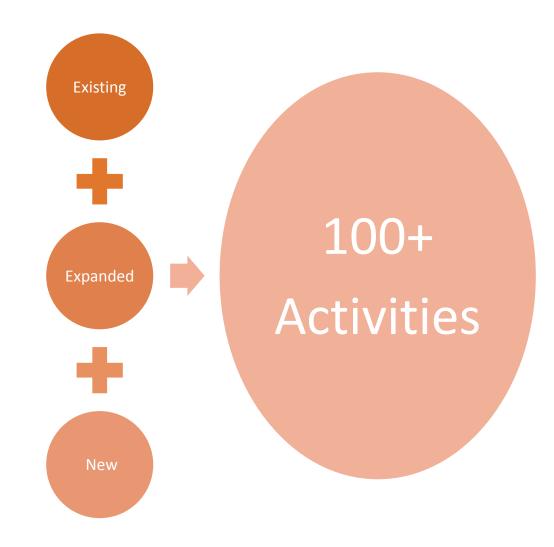
#### Home Illinois: Illinois' plan to prevent & end homelessness

#### Foundational Plan: July 2022-June 2024

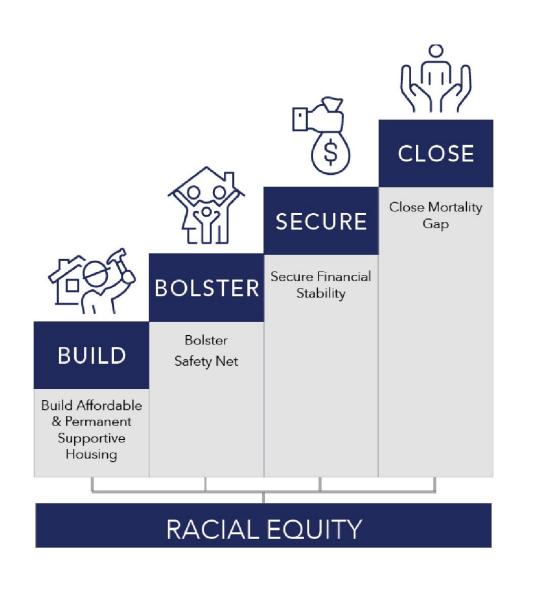
Will complete housing projections for reaching functional zero in plan year one

Goal to uncover systemic levers that cause homelessness: racial inequity, housing market instability

### Agency commitments



#### Plan framework



## **Plan activities**

- The HUD Illinois State Office of Public Housing and the Illinois Office to Prevent & End Homelessness convene a Public Housing Authority & Homelessness Work Group to support PHAs in implementation of key strategies to end homelessness
- Launch Racial Equity Roundtable on Black Homelessness and Rural Homelessness Initiative
- Monitor capital development pipeline for non-congregate shelter development to request additional funding support within the IDHS budget for increased operating and services costs
- Creation of a medical respite benefit within Medicaid
- Guaranteed income pilot for families experiencing homelessness
- Policy work groups to focus on housing authority & homeless partnerships, housing for returning citizens with multiple barriers to housing, police responses to encampments, health care investment in housing development

FY23 Budget: dedicated or prioritized programs for **People Experiencing** Homelessness/housing Finangeilitzes **Funding Amounts** Federal Funding \$256,089,939 \$211,631,212 State Funding Federal Stimulus \$97,083,824 \$564,804,975 Total State Investment in Homelessness

## IHDA plan commitments

Policy

- Advocate for additional Federal and State funding to go towards the annual PSH Development Round; Maintain the current funding structure through FY23 & FY24
- Add persons experiencing chronic homelessness to the FY19 Section 811 Program

Process

- Partner closely with state agency and community stakeholders to develop **detailed analysis of housing needs** for IOPEH populations in IHDA publications
- Provide technical assistance and training to property managers on increasing accessibility to units through changes in project Tenant Selection Plans.
  Partnering with CSH and CoC Coordinated Entry Systems, strengthen referral processes for persons experiencing homelessness to access Statewide Referral Network units.

# IHDA plan commitments

Program

- Release a round of funding for acquisition, new construction or rehabilitation for **permanent supportive housing** in the annual tax credit application round
- Units created with 9% Tax Credits will have a **10% set aside for the Statewide Referral Network**.
- Through partnership with CSH, deliver **the Supportive Housing Development Institute** to increase new PSH development projects; Provide financial support through a Project Initiation Loan Pool.
- The HOME Investment Partnerships Program- American Rescue Plan (HOME-ARP) statewide allocation of \$62 million will include creating **new rental units and non-congregate shelter** for homeless households
- Support **rental housing support program**, including project with IDOC on re-entry demonstration program

# discussion