Ohio McKinney-Vento Community of Practice

Introduction to Homelessness

COHHIO
Coalition on Homelessness and Housing in Ohio

Welcome!

Please say hello in the chat box and share

- Your name & pronouns
- District
- One word that describes your district

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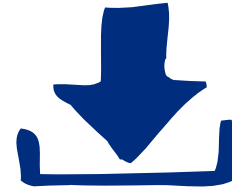
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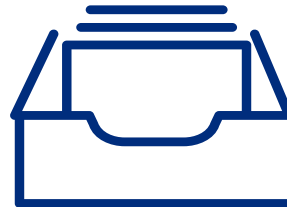
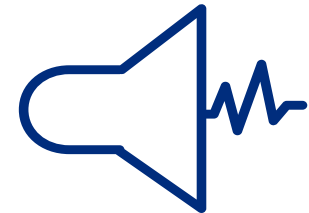**The powerPoint will be sent out after each training**

Breakout rooms

Polls/ quizzes

Handouts/ Materials

Audio/video issues

Agenda

- Objectives

- Activity

- Introduction of COHHIO Course to Home

- General Overview of Homelessness

- Questions

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Objectives

Attendees will:

- Learn the background and need for the COHHIO Course to Home initiative

- Understand COHHIO Course to Home and the supports available to districts and ESC(s)

- Learn the current state of homelessness and vulnerable student groups

- Learn resources to address student homelessness in the district

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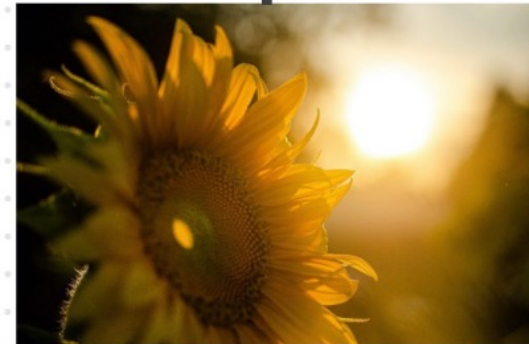# Which picture best captures your *state of being* today ?

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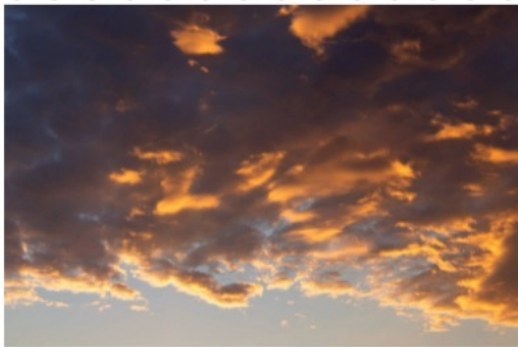
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Introducing
COHHIO Course to HOME Team

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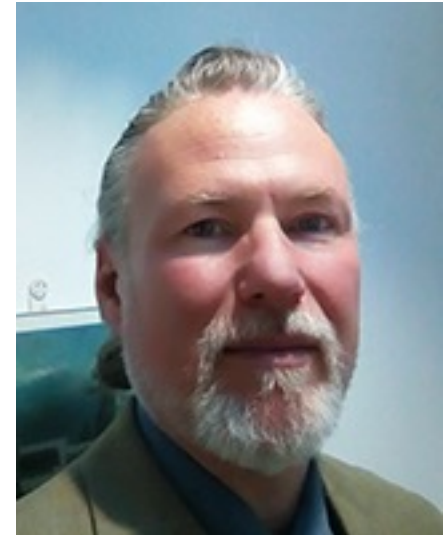
Community of Practice Guests COHHIO Staff

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COHHIO Course to HOME

Background

- History of collaboration between COHHIO & ODE
- Development of COHHIO Course to Home
- Ohio's ARP State Plan

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COHHIO Course to HOME

Purpose

- Empower Ohio districts in meeting the specific and urgent needs of students experiencing homelessness

- Provide professional development and resources in meeting the need of vulnerable historically underserved students experiencing homelessness:
  - rural children and youth
  - students of color
  - children and youth with disabilities
  - English learners
  - LGBTQ+ youth
  - students in foster care
  - justice-involved youth
  - pregnant, parenting, or caregiving students

COHHIO Course to Home Resources

Training

Provide frequent training on meeting the needs of youth and families at-risk of or experiencing homelessness; including e-learning and support to Ohio's school districts, liaison(s) and key partners.

System Coordination

Provide capacity development support and assistance furthering districts ability to collaborate as strong partners in the coordinated local responses to preventing and ending homelessness among youth and families.

Community of Practice

Coordinate peer to peer learning opportunities -- implementing innovative practices and evidence-based models to support students at-risk of or experiencing homelessness.

Practice Guidance

Provide frequent guidance materials to equipped districts with needed tools to support students at-risk of or experiencing homelessness.

Technical Assistance

Provide homelessness focused -- direct individualized support, assistance, problem-solving, linkages, referrals, resources, and information, upon request, to Ohio's school districts.

Resource Website

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Understanding Ohio McKinney-Vento Community of Practice

Defining Community of Practice

- *Communities of practice are groups of people who share a concern or a passion for something they do and learn how to do it better as they interact regularly.*

- The fundamental motivation for our community of practice is a group of people coming together driven by a shared learning need, in this case student homelessness with an emphasis on vulnerable groups

- By engaging each other, over time, in collective learning, we develop a bond that in turn fuels the production of resources to influence our own practices. The combination of a shared field/area of expertise, community, and practice lie at the heart of a community of practice.

Community of Practice Agreements

- Check in and Check out

- Listen for understanding

- Expect and accept non-resolution

- Practice "both/and" thinking

- Be aware of intent and impact

- Make space, take space

- Safe Terms:

    - "ELMO"

    - "Ouch"

Community of Practice Principles

1. We recognize that all communities and districts are unique but have some shared challenges and can learn from each other's experiences

2. We embed student and family leadership in decision-making, designing and implementing strategies

3. We ensure strategies and approaches improve equity, including racial & LGBTQ+ equity

4. We are solution-oriented and creative in our planning and problem solving

5. We promote peer support and shared learning opportunities

6. We explore, develop and integrate best practices at the core of our approaches

COHHIO is here to facilitate the conversation and share knowledge learned from working with communities, not to own the space

Any other principles that are important to your district to uphold in this space ?

COHHIO Course to HOME
On-Demand Technical Assistance

Defining Technical Assistance

- The process of providing guidance, tools, resources, and consultation to assist districts achieve goals

Accessing Technical Assistance

- Email us at homelesseducation@cohhio.org

- Call us at 614-280-1984 ext.143

- Access resources at www.cohhio.org/youth

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Defining Homelessness

The McKinney-Vento law says that homelessness includes individuals who do not have a fixed, regular and adequate home because they have lost their own home.

This means:

- Individuals who have lost their own home, suffering a financial hardship or similar reason
- Individuals who are sharing the housing of others
- Individuals who are living in hotels or motels or in campgrounds or trailer parks that are not viewed as year round homes because they do not have accommodations, such as heat or running water
- Individuals who are living in emergency shelters or who have been abandoned in hospitals
- Individuals who are living in cars, parks or public spaces

Poll

Students and families experience housing insecurity, including homelessness, in my community, on a regular basis.

Strongly agree

Agree

Disagree

Strongly Disagree

History

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Current Homelessness Data

OHIO

3.0%
change from 2019

-5.4%
change from 2007

Total Homeless, 2020
10,655

9.1 in every 10,000
people were experiencing
homelessness

17.3%

82.7%

■ Unsheltered (1,844)
■ Sheltered (8,811)
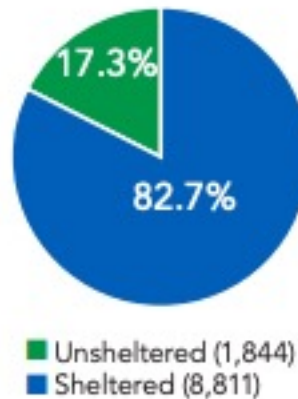
HUD
Estimates of Homelessness

7,636 individuals

3,019 people in families
with children

736 unaccompanied
homeless youth

730 veterans

700 chronically homeless
individuals

EMIS

23,885

2019-2020
students experiencing
homelessness

Source

Source

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In Every State, African Americans Are More Likely Than Whites to Experience Homelessness

Ratio of Black-to-White homelessness rate by state, 2018

Legend: >10x | 6–10x | 4–≤6x | 1.7–≤4x

AK 4.6x
ME 10.7x
VT 5.4x
NH 4.9x
WA 6.4x
MT 8.2x
ND 8.3x
MN 16.4x
WI 7.8x
MI 6.0x
NY 12.1x
MA 5.7x
RI 5.5x
ID 4.6x
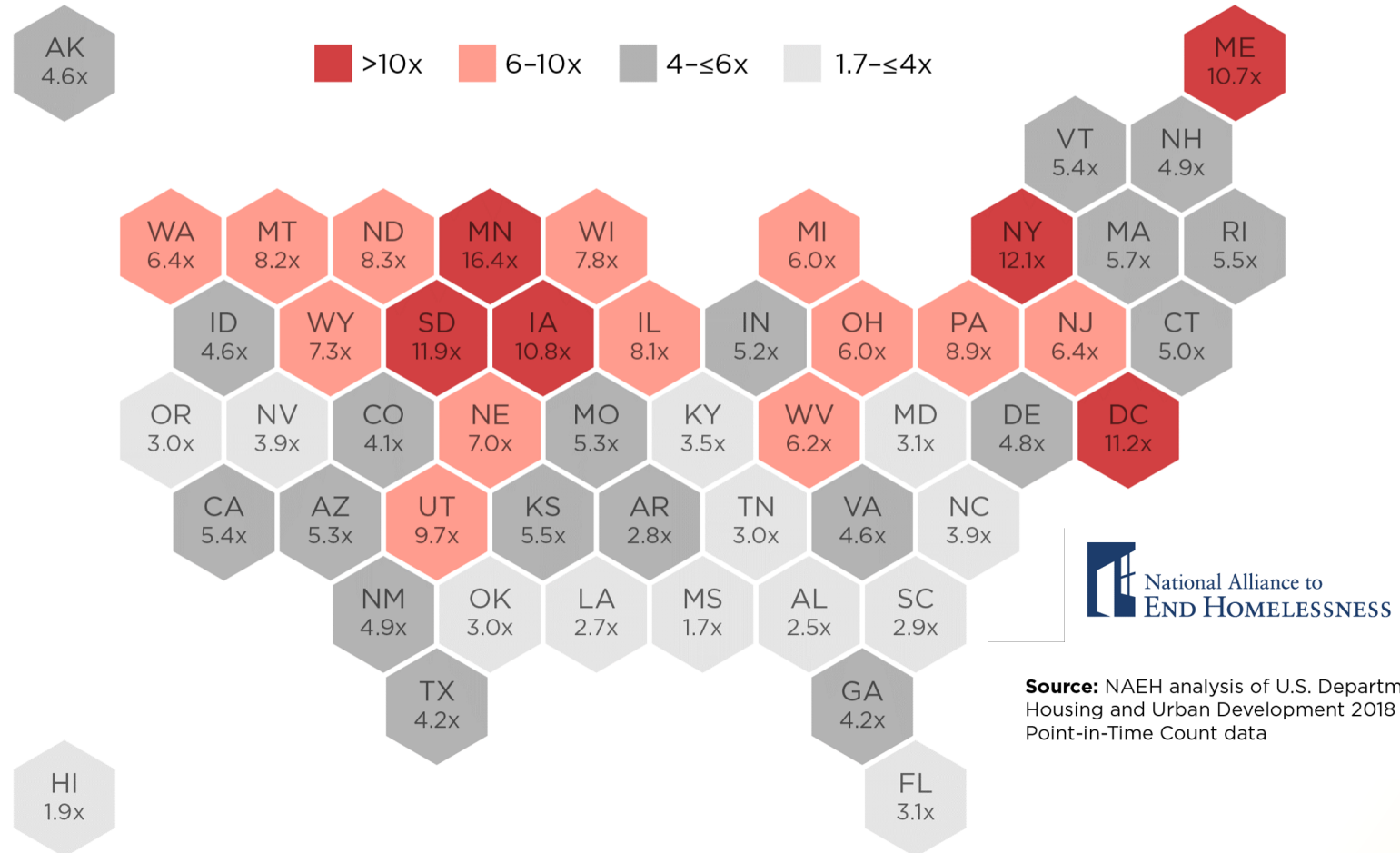WY 7.3x
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NJ 6.4x
CT 5.0x
OR 3.0x
NV 3.9x
CO 4.1x
NE 7.0x
MO 5.3x
KY 3.5x
WV 6.2x
MD 3.1x
DE 4.8x
DC 11.2x
CA 5.4x
AZ 5.3x
UT 9.7x
KS 5.5x
AR 2.8x
TN 3.0x
VA 4.6x
NC 3.9x
NM 4.9x
OK 3.0x
LA 2.7x
MS 1.7x
AL 2.5x
SC 2.9x
TX 4.2x
GA 4.2x
HI 1.9x
FL 3.1x

National Alliance to End Homelessness

Source: NAEH analysis of U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development 2018 Point-in-Time Count data

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LGBTQ+ Youth 120% More Likely to Experience Homelessness

Chapin Hall

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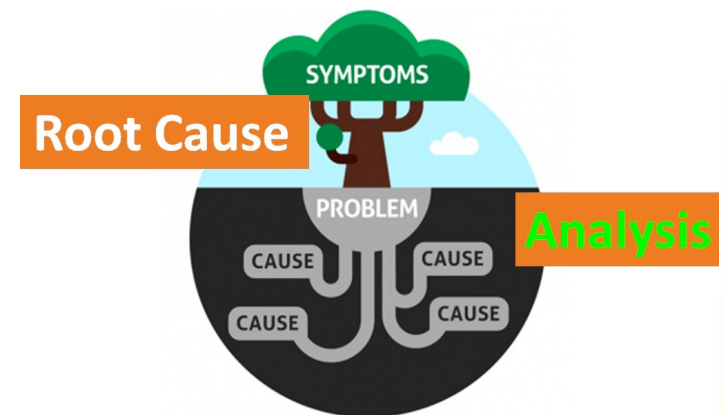
Causes of Homelessness

- Housing Affordability
  - Limited public housing and voucher programs
- Income Stagnation
- Health
  - Physical or behavioral health issues
- Violence
- Institutions
- Racism

Addressing Homelessness

- Equitable & Informed Approaches

- Cross System Collaboration

- Multi Generation Approaches

- Sustainability Planning & Consistency

- Continuous Quality Improvement

Key Resource Partners

- 24 hr. Crisis Response Organizations

- Continuums of Care

- Job & Family Services
    - Child and Family Services

- Community Action Agencies

- ADAMH Boards

- Health Providers

- Child Care Providers

And More!

Best Practices

- Accessible District Culture
- Coordinated Community Approaches
- Serve as a Safe Community Hub
- Utilize Harm Reduction Approaches
- Utilize Trauma Informed Care
- Utilize Strength Based Approaches

Best Practices

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Poll

I learned information about the state of homelessness in Ohio

Strongly agree

Agree

Disagree

Strongly Disagree

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Next Steps

Keep an eye out for Listserv emails!

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Community of Practice 2022

Quarter One
3/30/2022

Introduction to Homelessness
3/30/2022

Quarter Two
5/18/2022

Identifying and Meeting the Unique Needs of Students Experiencing Homelessness in Rural Ohio

Quarter Three
9/14/2022

Identifying and Meeting the Needs of Students Experiencing Homelessness; A Focus On Unaccompanied Youth and English Learners-New Comers

Quarter Four
11/02/2022

Identifying and Meeting the Needs of Students Experiencing Homelessness; A Focus On: Students in Foster Care and Justice-Involved youth

Community of Practice 2023

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3/15/2023

Identifying and Meeting the Needs of Students Experiencing Homelessness; *A Focus On: Pregnant, Parenting, or Caregiving Students*

Quarter Two
5/17/2023

Identifying and Meeting the Needs Students Experiencing Homelessness; *A Focus On: Children and Youth with Disabilities*

Quarter Three
8/9/2023

Identifying and Meeting the Needs of Students Experiencing Homelessness; *A Focus On: BIPOC and LGBTQ+ youth*

Quarter Four
11/15/2023

Supporting the Health and Well-being of Students At-Risk of or Experiencing Homelessness

Coming Soon

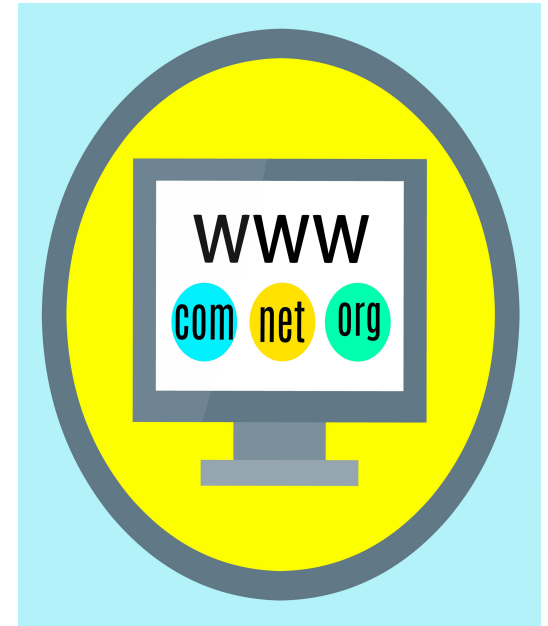## Homelessness District Toolkit

Homelessness E-Learning

Resource Website

Source

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Feedback

We invite you to provide feedback about todays session. You can provide feedback here: https://forms.gle/hABoaQPREvgoD7Bt8

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Ohio Department of Education Students Experiencing Homelessness

Ohio Department of Education American Rescue Plan Homeless II Funds

Ohio Department of Education Supporting Students Experiencing Homelessness with ESSER and ARP Funds

Ohio Department of Education Local School District Liaison Duties, Roles and Responsibilities

COHHIO Emergency Rental Assistance

COHHIO Course to HOME

COHHIO Youth Housing Initiative

COHHIO On-Demand Recorded Trainings

COHHIO Housing Now for Homeless Families
COHHIO Homeless System Resource Map
Housing Ohio Conference - April 11-13

Resources

Ohio Resource Guide

COHHIO Guide to the Resource Guide

School House Connection

National Center for Homeless Education

Ohio Bridges Program

Child and Family Health Collaborative of Ohio

Ohio Reach

Ohio Domestic Violence Network

The Center for Family Safety and Healing

HUD Exchange Connecting Housing and Education

Health and Human Services Runaway and Homeless Youth

Resources

United States Interagency Council on Homelessness

National Alliance to End Homelessness

Youth Collaboratory

National Network for Youth

Point Source Youth

True Colors United

Coalition for Juvenile Justice

Chapin Hall

American Bar Association

The Center for the Study of Social Policy

Loveisrespect.org

Youth.gov