

# Austin's 100 Challenge Ending Youth Homelessness

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# Background

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## Opening Doors-Federal Strategic Plan to End Homelessness

- **Goal:** In 2020, prevent and end homelessness among all youth and young adults. Ensure that homelessness among youth is rare, and if it occurs, experiences of homelessness are brief and one-time

**A Way Home America**-the national initiative to build the movement to prevent and end homelessness among young people



# What is a 100 Day Challenge?

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100 Day Challenge-A strategy developed and implemented by the **Rapid Results Institute**

**A Way Home America** is working with three communities to support national learning through launching a 100-Day Challenge (Austin, Cleveland & Los Angeles)

These 100 Day Challenge will identify and execute innovative practices to end youth and young adult homelessness, community by community

# Informing National Practice and Policy

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What we learn along the way will inform practices nationally to end youth and young adult homelessness by 2020

Technical assistance from HUD, HHS, Dept of Ed and others are provided along the way



# Austin's Ambitious 100 Day Goal

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In 100 days, we will house  
**50 currently homeless youth**  
(age 18-24) in Travis County, of which  
at least 50% will be former foster care youth.

And we will connect  
**100% of youth exiting foster care**  
who are imminently at risk of homelessness  
to safe and stable housing.

# 100 Day Timeline

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September 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup>-100 Day Launch Workshops in Austin

September 9<sup>th</sup>-Day 1

October 29<sup>th</sup>-Day 50-Mid Point Review

December 18<sup>th</sup>-Day 100-Sustainability Review

# Who is involved?

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Ending Community Homelessness

LifeWorks

Department of Family and Protective Services

City of Austin

Travis County

Austin Travis Co Integral Care

Salvation Army

Caritas of Austin

Front Steps

Austin Opportunity Youth Collaborative

Housing Authority of the City of Austin

Safe Alliance

Austin Independent School District

Austin Police Department

Restore Strategies

Many others...

# Austin's 100 Day Team Sub-Goals:

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1. Build a coordinated outreach system that will create a by-name list of youth in need
2. Identify 30 housing navigators
3. Ensure and track youth identified are connected to services
4. Identify landlords and subsidized housing resources for 40 units
5. Share data and report outcomes

# Mid-Point Progress

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1. As of Friday, October 28<sup>th</sup>-11 Youth have been housed
2. 100 % of the 5 youth exiting foster care into homelessness have been engaged for housing opportunities

# 100 Day Data Mid-Point Review

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## **Number of Youth Assessed/Engaged and Still Need Housing:105**

- Additionally, there are 108 youth that have old assessments / cannot locate / have not re-engaged, that are not counted above.

# Gender

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Female: 55%

Male: 45%

Transgender: 0%

# Age

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18 = 4%

19 = 11%

20 = 9%

21 = 16%

22 = 28%

23 = 17%

24 = 15%

# Race & Ethnicity

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## **Race**

Black / African American: 45%

Native Hawaiian / Pacific Islander: 1%

White: 50%

American Indian / Alaska Native: 2%

Asian: 2%

## **Ethnicity**

Hispanic / Latino: 29%

Non-Hispanic / Latino: 71%

# How you can help!

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Housing Opportunities

Financial Support

Volunteer Your Time

In-Kind Donations

# Additional Resources

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**A Way Home America** <http://awayhomeamerica.org/>

**Rapid Results Institute** <http://www.rapidresults.org/>

**A Way Home Austin-** [www.awayhomeaustin.org](http://www.awayhomeaustin.org)

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# Thank you for your time!

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