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8 Communities Accept the Challenge – 100-Day EHV Challenge

Communities across New Jersey set ambitious goal to end homelessness for 100 households! #AcceptTheChallenge

Monarch Housing Associates is excited to announce the launch of a 100-Day EHV Challenge to end homelessness for individuals and families in eight (8) New Jersey Communities. Atlantic County CoC, Hudson County CoC, Mercer County CoC, Middlesex County CoC, Monmouth County CoC, Morris County CoC, Ocean County CoC, and the Tri-County CoC (Hunterdon, Warren, and Sussex) have all signed on to the call to submit 100 applications in 100 days to the Emergency Housing Voucher (EHV) Program.

Working through the Continuum of Care (CoC) – local planning bodies made up of government, non-profit service providers, and advocates charged with creating and implementing strategies to end homelessness – participating communities will work to connect households experiencing homelessness to the EHV Program administered through the New Jersey Department of Community Affairs. The EHV Program, created through the American Rescue Plan funding and administered by the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD), is a new infusion of resources to provide households experiencing homelessness with long-term vouchers to end their homelessness.

Monarch Housing Associates is sponsoring this 100-Day EHV Challenge to support communities in creating system efficiencies designed to expedite connections to housing and supports for persons experiencing homelessness. The 100-Day EHV Challenge provides an opportunity for communities to work towards ambitious goals and engage in targeted system planning to improve connection to permanent housing. This initiative will help communities understand how to best mobilize resources to quickly respond to changing community landscapes and move one step closer to the goal of ending homelessness. The accelerated pace of the program will strengthen local and regional collaboration to support efforts to end homelessness and enable communities to achieve significant reductions in the number of people experiencing homelessness.

"Monarch Housing is proud to sponsor this initiative and offer participating communities technical assistance and peer learning opportunities to support their efforts to end homelessness," said Taiisa Kelly, CEO of Monarch Housing Associates. "With this once in a lifetime infusion of resources from the CARES Act and American Rescue Plan, we have the opportunity to respond to the urgency of the moment and help people experiencing homelessness access the housing and supports they need and have the right to."

To stay up to date with the latest developments regarding the 100-Day EHV Challenge, visit https://monarchhousing.org/100-day-ehv-challenge/.