



NEW JERSEY ADVOCACY NETWORK TO END HOMELESSNESS

Core Principles for Ending Homelessness

Develop a uniform system response to homelessness

- Individuals and families need to be uniformly assessed to assure that services are provided based on need
- The system needs to have a capacity for immediate response
- Services following the immediate response, need to be based on the needs identified in the uniform assessment
- The system needs to be sensitive to the different needs of individuals and families
- The system needs to measure results.

Prevent Homelessness whenever possible

- No one should need to become homeless to receive services
- Priority should be to support people in safe, affordable housing

Rapidly re-house people when homelessness cannot be prevented

- When people are stably housed everything else stabilizes

Provide wraparound services for as long as needed to support housing stability and self-sufficiency

- Individuals and families may need support to stabilize and maintain their housing
- Those with the highest needs should receive the most enriched services

Ensure an adequate supply of safe homes, affordable to people of different incomes, in all our communities.

- Full support of Mt. Laurel doctrine.
- Advocate for NJ to adopt a right to housing.