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making homelessness history

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Upcoming Community Events



Taking Action to End Homelessness: A Night at the Gallery

Join All Chicago, Housing Action Illinois, and other housing partners at the Weinberg/Newton Gallery to see their newest exhibit, House. The event will include a panel discussion about ending homelessness in Chicago and Illinois. [Learn more about the event here.](#)

When: Thursday, March 16
6pm - 7:30pm

Where: Weinberg/Newton
Gallery, [300 W. Superior St., Suite 203](#)

CSH Supportive Housing Summit

Learn from experts in supportive housing and housing policy at CSH's 2017 Supportive Housing Summit. With hundreds of attendees, it is the largest supportive housing network and conversation in the nation.

When: May 24-26

Where: Denver Marriott City Center, Denver, CO

[Register here.](#)

Homeless Monologues Show

The Lincoln Park Community Shelter (LPCS) Associate Board is presenting "The Homeless Monologues," a performance that

Continuum of Care Updates

2017 Board Officer Election Results

On February 15, the CoC's Board of Directors voted in their new Board Officers. Congratulations to the the newest officers.

Chair: Jackie Edens, The Inner Voice
(Representing the Service Providers Commission)

Vice Chair: Alisa Rodriguez, Chicago Department of Family & Support Services
(Representing Emergency Solutions Grant)

Secretary: Richard Rowe
(Representing the Lived Experience Commission)

Treasurer: Bobbi Ball, Partners in Community Building
(Representing Key Stakeholders)

At-Large Member: Lisa Cohen, Illinois Department of Human Services
(Representing Public Agencies/Major Systems)

New Submission Portal for Annual Performance Reports

On April 1, HUD will release a new online submission portal for CoC Program grant recipients to submit their Annual Performance Reports (APRs). The new portal, Sage HMIS Reporting Repository, will replace e-snaps. [Find out more about the new portal here.](#)



Violence Against Women Act Training

The U.S. Department of Housing & Urban Development (HUD) recently published a final rule regarding the implementation of housing protections authorized in the Violence Against Women Reauthorization Act of 2013 (VAWA). The rule will impact all victims of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, and stalking, regardless of sex, gender identity,

will bring to life the stories of Guests from the LPCS. Tickets are \$10, and all proceeds will go toward serving Guests and Graduates of the LPCS.

When: Monday, April 17
6:30 - 9pm

Where: The Alice Room at the [Goodman Theater, 170 N. Dearborn St.](#)

[Learn more and get tickets here.](#)

All Chicago's Program eNewsletter (including Continuum of Care news!) goes out on the 15th of each month.

Do you have news or updates to share in the eNewsletter? [Send us an email!](#)

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effectively combines immediate resources with long term strategies to address the complex issue of homelessness.

or sexual orientation. If you're interested in learning more about the final rule, join All Chicago for a training. Email CoCPrograms@allchicago.org with any questions.

When: Thursday, March 30 from 3pm to 4:30pm

Where: All Chicago ([651 W. Washington Blvd., Ste 504](#))
[Register here.](#)



State Homeless Prevention Funds Still Available

The State Homeless Prevention Program provides assistance for rent/mortgages, security deposits, and utilities, as well as approved case management and supportive services for Chicago residents who are experiencing homeless or are in imminent danger of eviction or foreclosure. The households must document **a temporary economic crisis** beyond household control, by giving evidence of at least one of the following conditions:

- loss of employment
- medical disability or emergency
- loss or delay of some form of public benefit
- natural disaster
- substantial change in household composition
- victimization by criminal activity
- illegal action by a landlord
- displacement by a government or private action, or some other condition that constitutes a hardship comparable to the conditions described above.

The household must also be able to demonstrate an ability to meet prospective rental/utility obligations or mortgage payments after assistance has been granted based on current or anticipated income. Payments for Homeless Prevention services must be made to a landlord, utility company or other vendor that provides housing or other services on behalf of an applicant.

Individuals and families seeking assistance should **call "311" and ask for "short-term help"** to be assessed and referred to funds.

Rental Assistance Program Resource

The Department of Family and Support Services (DFSS) Emergency Rental Assistance Program (RAP) provides financial assistance to Chicago residents who are in danger of eviction. The program is designed to stabilize individuals and families in their existing rental unit. Assistance may include payment of up to six months of rent arrears or rent. Application requirements include documentation of a crisis or emergency (such as a temporary loss of income statement

from an employer or a court order to evacuate), proof of income, identification, and housing documentation.

Chicago residents can apply for this assistance at any of the [six DFSS Community Service Centers](#). Potential applicants should call the centers to schedule appointments and to learn more about the program.

Employment Opportunities

All Chicago is hiring for multiple positions, including:

[Human Resources and Operations Manager](#)

[Applied Research Analyst](#)

[Capacity Building and Training Manager](#)

[System Coordinator](#)

[Director of CoC Programs](#)

Go to [our website](#) for more information on joining the All Chicago team!

Take Action

Tell Congress to Protect Funding for Affordable Housing Programs

The National Low Income Housing Coalition is seeking 3,000 agencies to sign onto a letter urging members of Congress to lift federal spending caps on affordable housing, community development, and transportation programs. The deadline to sign on is Friday, March 31. [Learn more about the letter here](#) and [sign on your organization with this form](#).

Other Announcements

Youth Advisory Board Member Featured in Chicago Tonight

Youth Advisory Board member Cynthia Smith was featured in a recent Chicago Tonight article about the "Out in the Open Sleep In" fundraiser, which raised more than \$20,000 for 13 homeless youth-serving nonprofits. [Read the full article here](#).

YouthBuild Grant Opportunity

Applications for The Department of Labor's YouthBuild program are now available. YouthBuild is an alternative education program geared toward low-income youth, including homeless youth. Among other outcomes, YouthBuild increases affordable housing within communities

by teaching youth how to build and renovate homes for sale or rent to low-income families or homeless families. [Click here for the full grant description.](#)

Grant Opportunity for Small Nonprofits

The Illinois Office of the Treasurer is now accepting applications for their Charitable Trust grants program for nonprofits with operating budgets below \$1 million. They are interested in supporting programs that focus on Housing, Food, or Workforce Development. [Go to their website](#) for more information. Apply by March 31.

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