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Next Steps for Plan 2.0 *March 5, 2012*

The Chicago Alliance to End Homelessness, in collaboration with the City of Chicago and the Chicago Planning Council on Homelessness, is proud to be working on a public process to create version two of Chicago's Plan to End Homelessness. The process, designed to involve all interested stakeholders, has four stages:

1. **Kick-Off Community Meetings and Discussion of Top Issue Areas:** November 2011
2. **Community Planning Charrette and Public Feedback:** January 2012
3. **Preparing Plan 2.0 with Public Input:** March – May 2012
4. **Planning Council Vote and Mayor's Announcement of Plan 2.0:** June 2012

Thank you to everyone who has participated in the planning process to date. The Alliance has been impressed and inspired by the outpouring of community-wide participation: 135 people and 11 constituency groups participated in kick-off meetings and 445 people attended the community planning Charrette. The discussions of the past few months and the Final Charrette Report (available at www.thechicagoalliance.org) will serve as a foundation for Plan 2.0.

The next stage of our process, preparing Plan 2.0, will be governed by the same values of inclusion and community input and we welcome your continued participation and feedback. The Plan 2.0 Steering Committee will deliver presentations to three community decision-making bodies in April and May. These presentations will share the vision, key goals, and general recommendations of Plan 2.0 and provide an opportunity for additional community discussion. Interested stakeholders are welcome to attend any of these open meetings:

- **April 10:** Alliance's Consumers Commission
- **April 18:** Chicago Planning Council on Homelessness
- **May 15:** Alliance's Service Providers Commission Executive Committee

Per the Final Charrette Report, the Alliance is also leading a time-limited **Interim Housing and Rapid Rehousing Task Force** made up of providers, consumers, and funders to make recommendations for Plan 2.0. The Alliance expects that Plan 2.0 will be a comprehensive strategy document that outlines our community's guiding principles for our efforts to prevent and end homelessness. It will be guided primarily by the Charrette recommendations, as well as data analysis and the lessons of the Plan evaluation.

The Alliance is committed to incorporating all community feedback into the planning process and looks forward to working with you as we continue our discussions this spring. Please contact the Alliance or visit our website for additional information.