

We can end homelessness in America.

Here's what Congress can do this year to help.

More than 100,000 fewer people experience homelessness today than did in 2007.

- Three states and nearly 70 communities have ended veteran homelessness.
- Four communities have ended chronic homelessness.



We've made progress because the federal government has promoted evidence-based approaches — and because Congress has long recognized that homelessness is a bipartisan issue, harming individuals and rural, urban and suburban communities.

But the housing shortage and rising rents in communities across the nation are direct threats to the progress we've made. Homelessness is rising in parts of the country because families can't afford their housing.

WE URGE CONGRESS TO TAKE THESE STEPS:

- **Support \$3 billion in overall funding for the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development's homeless assistance grants.** This program creates a strong foundation for locally managed homeless systems across the country to house the most vulnerable in their communities and provide support services people need to stay housed.
- **Support \$24 billion for the Tenant Based Rental Assistance account,** to boost the federal government's commitment to reducing homelessness, helping people with low incomes afford a place to live and moving more families out of poverty.
- **Expand eligibility for the Department of Housing and Urban Development–Veterans Affairs Supportive Housing Program** — known as HUD-VASH — so that more veterans can get the housing and services they need, and we can sustain momentum on ending veteran homelessness.
- **Support the Fighting Homelessness Through Services and Housing Act,** which would boost federal resources to battle homelessness by authorizing \$750 million in grants a year for the next five years for local governments.