

# Refocusing Efforts: Aligning Outreach and Shelter with a Housing-Focused Approach



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Outreach and shelters play a critical role in providing lifesaving services to our communities most vulnerable members. In this session, discover how communities have successfully reoriented these essential services toward a housing-focused model. We will discuss the importance of prioritizing stable, permanent housing and building staff skills, capacity, and belief in the approach. Participants will gain valuable strategies and lessons learned for implementing housing-focused practices in outreach and shelter services.



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# Panel Conversation

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# Audience Questions

