

# HOUSING FOCUSED STREET OUTREACH: THE ROLE OF LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES

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## Policy and Programs

- Carries out the vital work of educating policymakers and the field about key strategies and policies for ending and preventing homelessness.
- Keeps federal policymakers and legislators informed of the needs of people experiencing homelessness and the programs serving them.
- Leads advocacy efforts on a grassroots level.

## Capacity Building

- Supports efforts to end homelessness by offering training and technical assistance tailored to communities' unique needs.
- Helps design and implement crisis systems, improve systems' performance, and utilize data to end homelessness, particularly with an equity lens.
- Provides online courses, trainings, and webinars to inform the field of best practices to end homelessness.

## Homeless Research Institute


- Analyzes data to identify homelessness trends on national, local, and Continuum of Care levels.
- Publishes research that ensures policymakers, practitioners, the media, and the public have the best information about trends and emerging solutions to the problem.
- Uses an equity lens to identify disparities in homelessness data.

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# WHY A HOUSING FOCUSED STREET OUTREACH FRAMEWORK?

Current Reality  
Must Change

Addressing  
Adverse Effects

Scarce Shelter  
& Housing  
Resources

Need for  
Universal  
Guidance

Outreach  
Serves the Most  
Vulnerable

Coordinated  
Approach  
Amplifies Impact

**WHY HOUSING-FOCUSED STREET OUTREACH?**

**HOUSED PEOPLE  
ARE NOT HOMELESS**



# HOUSING- FOCUSED STREET OUTREACH *Framework*



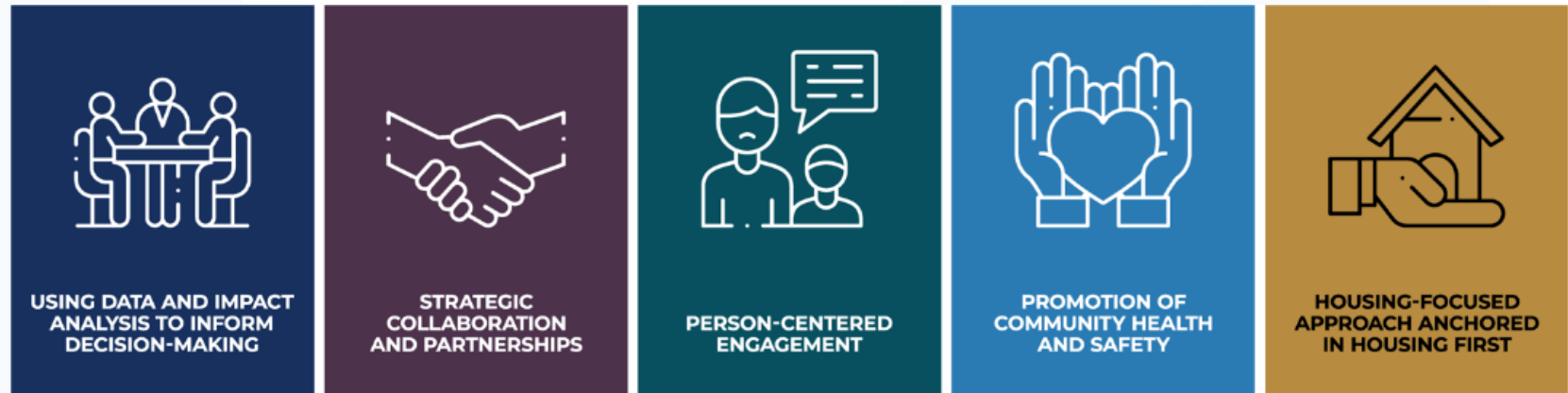
## DATA COLLECTION AND MANAGEMENT *for Street Outreach Providers*

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# WHAT IS HOUSING FOCUSED STREET OUTREACH?

**Housing-Focused Street Outreach (HFSO)** is an engagement strategy that prioritizes connecting people experiencing unsheltered homelessness to lifesaving, person-centered, culturally responsive services and resources while actively working towards securing stable and permanent housing solutions. This approach is characterized by five distinct core elements:





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# Interactions with Law Enforcement Agencies



## THE CONTEXT & URGENCY FOR CONVERSATION



Federal Threats

State/Local Threats

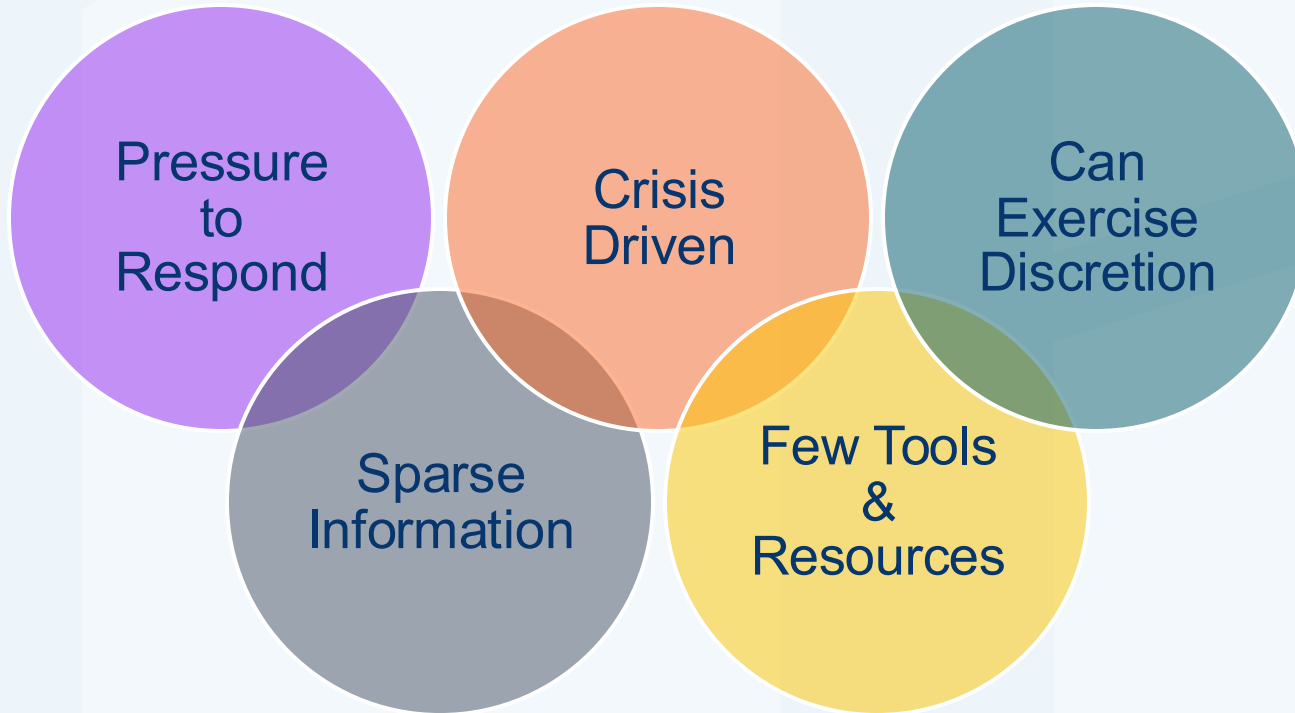
Resource Constraints

Crisis of Credibility

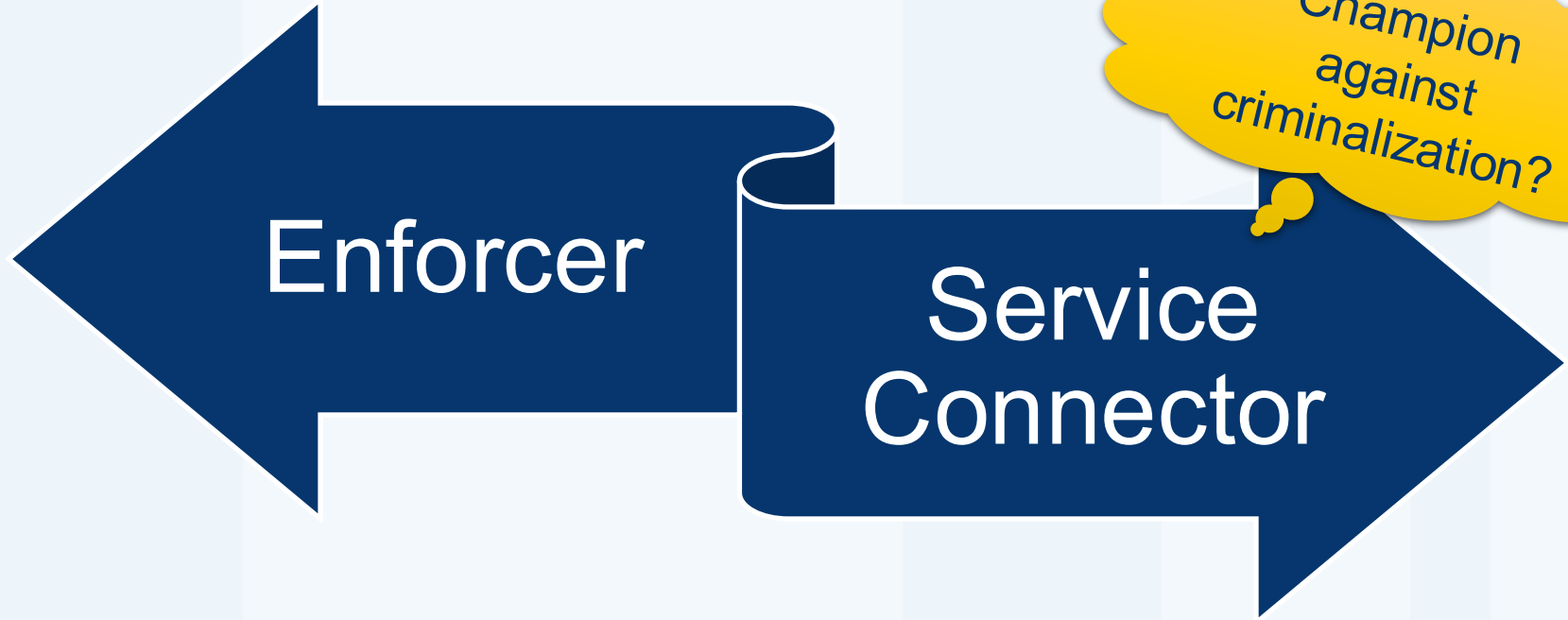
# UNSHELTERED REALITIES: LAW ENFORCEMENT INTERACTIONS



# LAW ENFORCEMENT REALITIES: HOMELESSNESS RESPONSE



# LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES CAN CHOOSE THEIR ORIENTATION TOWARDS HOMELESSNESS



## PANEL CONVERSATION

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# THANK YOU!

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