



DALLAS R.E.A.L. TIME RAPID REHOUSING UPDATE

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REBRAND: WE ARE HOUSING FORWARD

Metro Dallas Homeless Alliance (MDHA) has completed a total rebrand. Effective today, MDHA is known as **Housing Forward** and our Continuum of Care will no longer be The Homeless Collaborative of Dallas and Collin Counties but will be known as the **All Neighbors Coalition**.

- At the heart of this rebrand was an effort to find a new name to better represent all the people and communities we serve. Removing any reference to a location in our name allows us to better represent every person and community in our service area.
- Our homeless response system has undergone massive transformation; with increased collaboration, alignment of homeless response goals, and a renewed focus on rehousing our neighbors more effectively, we are housing more people faster than ever. Our new name represents a system working with forward momentum to house our neighbors quicker and more effectively.
- The All Neighbors Coalition comprises more than 100 partner organizations across Dallas and Collin Counties that provide resources and support directly to individuals, Veterans, youth, and families experiencing homelessness.
- Housing Forward, supporting the All Neighbors Coalition, will have an inclusive, informative, and strategic approach to messaging that honors the humanity of those experiencing homelessness, advocates for the issue of solving homelessness, and invites others to learn more and take action.

CURRENT STATE OF HOMELESSNESS

WE ARE HOUSING MORE
PEOPLE THAN EVER



**We've housed 35% more people
this quarter than in Q3 of 2021**

PROVIDERS FEEL INCREASED PRESSURE
MORE LOW-INCOME HOUSEHOLDS
SEEK ASSISTANCE



**Rents in Dallas are up 17% year-over-
year which increases housing
instability for low-income households**

CURRENT STATE OF HOMELESSNESS

SOLVE: REDUCE INFLOW OF NEIGHBORS INTO THE SYSTEM BY **DIVERSION**, ALTERNATIVE TO SHELTER



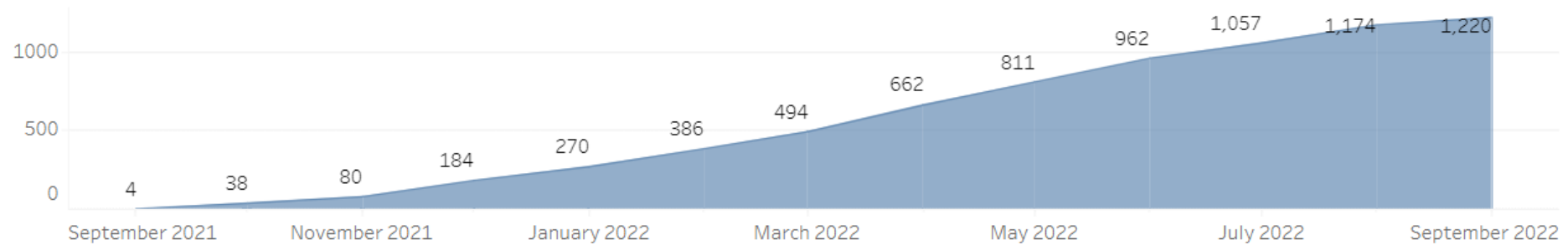
Diversion is a less expensive, alternative to shelter proven to be effective at curbing inflow into shelter among those newly homeless

ALL NEIGHBORS COALITION IS ACTIVELY WORKING TO SCALE DIVERSION



Building partnerships with mainstream safety-net programs to curb inflow into homelessness

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1220
Individuals
Housed



94
Average Days in
Housing Search



Increased
Housing
Placements

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Black households are enrolled and housed at higher rates than other groups

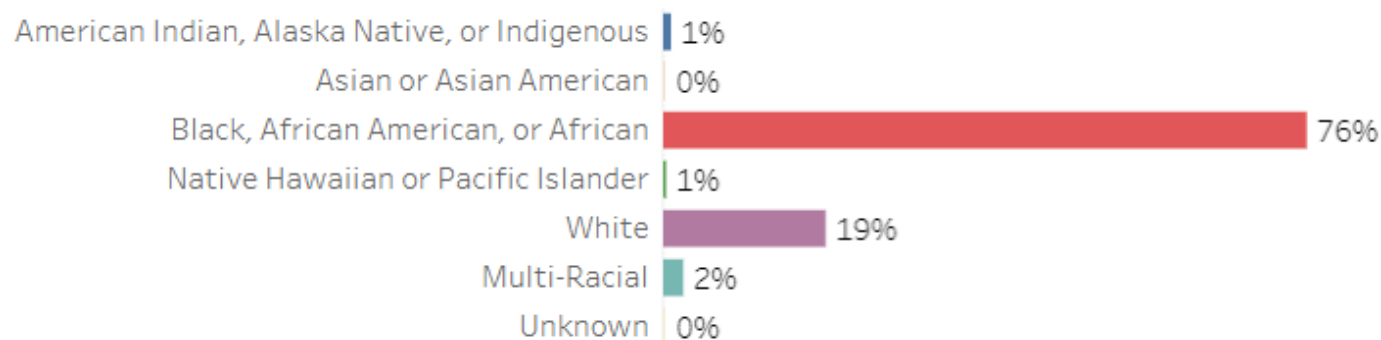
- Making up 76 % of those housed but 54 % of the total homeless population

Closing the gap on length of time homeless

- Disparities in housing search time continue, but the gap between Black households and the overall population is narrowing
- Black households are in housing search for 96 days, compared to 94 days for overall population, 87 days for White households
- Case Managers/Clients report bias landlords and screening criteria

Housing Location Team, leaning-in to minimize desperate impacts

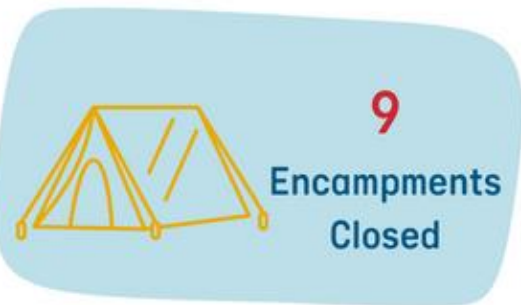
- Pre-negotiating units, working with Case Managers to liaise with landlords on behalf of clients



ENCAMPMENT DECOMMISSIONING

Bringing together partners with a common mission to end homelessness and resolve public health risks with a focus on rehousing.

- Cross-System Partnerships
- Active engagement and outreach
- Coordinated, dedicated, and responsive rehousing system
- Housing Unit Location
- Closure maintenance



ENCAMPMENT DECOMMISSIONING



Site Planning

Assessment of health risks

Equitable site selection

Site plan mapping



Encampment Assessment

Engage encampment residents

Assess housing needs and preferences



Document Collection

Secure critical documents needed for housing

Submit Housing Authority voucher application



Housing Identification

Search for available, low barrier housing units

Secure and inspect available units



Housing Lease Up

Refer to housing case manager

Unit applications

Navigate voucher and lease up process



Closure Maintenance

Site closure signage

Fencing

Daily outreach and drive throughs to ensure sites remain closed

Key Activities

Key Partners

City of Dallas	Street Outreach Providers	The Stewpot	Housing Forward's Housing Location Team	Dallas REAL Time Case Managers	City of Dallas - DPD, OHS
Housing Forward	Housing Forward	Dallas REAL Time Housing Navigators	Dallas Housing Authority	Housing Navigators	
		Dallas Housing Authority			



KEYS TO SUCCESS

FINDING HOUSING

- **Housing Location Team:** recruiting landlords, 'holding' units, negotiating to reduce screening barriers
- **Housing Navigators:** walking alongside clients to navigate lease up and collect critical documents

KEEPING HOUSING

- **Case Management:** educating on tenant rights/responsibilities; connecting health care; increasing income
- **Community Integration Services:** connect with community services, education, and employment; strengthen social/support networks

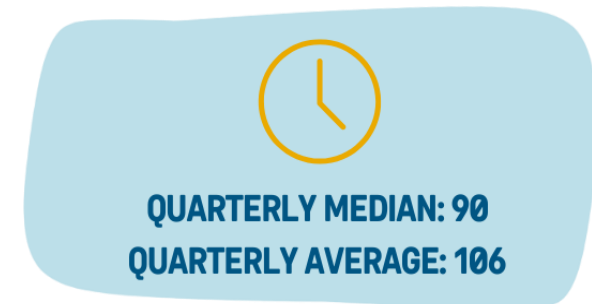
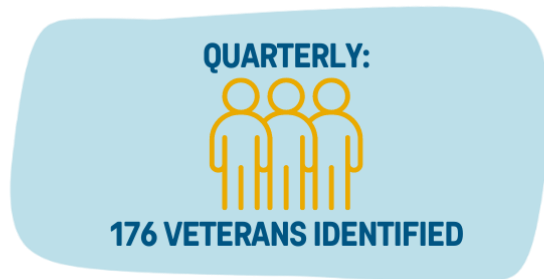
**HOUSING PLACEMENTS ARE UP 35 %
OVER 2021 IN QUARTER 3**

**OVER 99 % OF HOUSEHOLDS REMAIN
HOUSED AFTER 6 MONTHS**

SYSTEM TO EFFECTIVELY END HOMELESSNESS AMONG VETERANS

Housed 1,448 Veterans since launching in 2019

- Electronic System to **Identify All Veterans** Entering the Homelessness Response System
- **Provide Sufficient Interventions** for all Veterans Entering the Homelessness Response System
- Resolve Homelessness **within 90 Days**, on average, of Entering the Homelessness Response System



Next Steps:

- Now begin a substantial process to thoroughly scrub and validate our data with the United States Interagency Council on Homelessness (USICH) and receive an official declaration.

WHAT'S NEXT

Transformation In Action

PERMANENT SUPPORTIVE HOUSING (PSH) EXPANSION STRATEGY

- PSH pipeline strategy
- Partnerships with DHA and Dallas County to pair vouchers with new PSH units
- Development of Integrated Services Team to provide comprehensive care to PSH tenants
- Opportunities to secure new HUD Unsheltered Funding!

FINISH THE JOB OF ENDING VETERAN HOMELESSNESS

- House all chronically homeless veterans and long stayers
- Continue prioritizing Veterans for all community housing resources
- Prepare for Federal declaration with the United States Interagency Council on Homelessness

DEFINING GOALS FOR ENDING FAMILY AND YOUTH HOMELESSNESS

- Define thresholds for reducing homelessness among youth and among families
- Co-design system enhancements to crisis response and rehousing system
- Secure necessary resources