



**Information about Homelessness Prevention and the TICH State Plan  
From Mary Stahlke at THN**

1. Screen shots of slides from “Addressing the Housing Crisis in Rural Communities”—webinar delivered by Collaborative Solutions on 6/27/2022

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THN received info about the webinar from our TA provider, Greg Barchuk. I don't see a listing for the webinar on Collaborative Solutions' website.

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## Who is at risk to experience homelessness?

- Groups or populations that have a particularly high risk of homelessness include:
  - Households living in neighborhoods where a high percentage of residents lived before experiencing homelessness
  - Individuals with criminal justice histories
  - Households that moved frequently in the past year
  - Households with children younger than 2 years old
  - Households involved with child protective services

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Further targeting or prioritization can prevent evictions from leading to homelessness.

- Households with low income (below 30% or 50% of Area Median Income)
- Households who have eviction proceedings initiated
- Households who are losing their homes or have an eviction threat and recently lost employment in a sector impacted substantially by COVID-19
- Individuals who exit institutions like detention, jails, prisons, or hospitals
- Individuals who age out of foster care

2. I attended a webinar that the Metro Dallas Homeless Alliance held last week. In it, "Homelessness is a Housing Problem" authors stated that the geographic locations with the highest housing costs (homeownership costs and rental costs) have the highest rates of homelessness.

<https://www.mdhadallas.org/hard-conversation/>

Ideas for the plan:

1. Create regions where people in areas like Stephenville can be helped in a nearby larger community that serves as a "hub."

2. Discharge planning from the state level for: health, mental health, corrections, foster care
3. Leverage state agency relationships with landlords to get more units participating in serving people experiencing homelessness
4. Get state government agencies more involved in addressing homelessness, in addition to relying on social services and faith communities to address homelessness with little funding
5. See how other states and ICHes are addressing homelessness from the state government level
6. Need more state funds to address homelessness, and make those funds available to cities other than the nine largest cities