The Local Housing Solutions team has put together a running list of homelessness outreach efforts, eviction moratoriums, and other housing-related advice that localities across the country have utilized to keep their communities safe during the novel coronavirus pandemic.

In addition, this downloadable document provides a brief overview of these strategies and best practices.

If you have any additional resources or materials to add to this page, please contact us at contact@localhousingsolutions.org.

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General Resources and Announcements

Coronavirus and Housing/Homelessness (NLIHC)

Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) Resource Center (Ballard Spahr)

COVID-19 Guidance for Affordable Housing (New York Housing Conference)

Guidance for Dealing with the Coronavirus (National Apartment Association, March 18, 2020)

COVID-19 Resources (National Health Care for the Homeless Council)

Coronavirus Resources (National Housing Conference)

Webinars

Office Hours: COVID-19 Planning & Response for Homeless Assistance Providers
March 20, 2020 – 2:30 PM EDT

National Call on Coronavirus and Homelessness/Housing, March 23
Mon, Mar 23, 2020 | 2:30 PM – 4:00 PM EDT

What Financial Institutions Need to Do Now as a Result of the Coronavirus Pandemic
March 25, 2020 | 12:00 PM – 1:30 PM ET

NYC News and Announcements

The NYC Department of City Planning announced that they are suspending New York City’s land use decision making processes.

NYCHA announced that their property management offices will continue to assist
residents only via telephone, email, and through scheduled appointments to speak to staff from behind the reception desk.

**HPD announced changes for Section 8 tenants**, including closing the customer service office, automatically extending vouchers that are set to expire, suspending terminations that are in process, postponing tenant conferences and briefings, canceling hearings for appeal and suspending non-emergency Housing Quality Standard inspections. HPD said they will continue to pay subsidies until final determinations are made.

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**For Homelessness Service Providers**

**Preparation and General Information**

**Planning and Preparing for COVID-19** *(United States Interagency Council on Homelessness, March 12, 2020)*

**How Programs Addressing Homelessness Can Prepare for the Coronavirus** *(Urban Institute, March 12, 2020)*

**Interim COVID-19 Guidance for Homeless Shelters** *(NYC Health)*

**Coronavirus Disease (COVID-19) Guidance for Congregate Settings** *(NYC Health)*

**Coronavirus and Homelessness** *(National Alliance to End Homelessness, March 5, 2020)*

**Interim Guidance for Homeless Shelters** *(CDC, March 2020)*

**VIDEO: Infectious Disease Preparedness Among Homeless Assistance Providers and their Partners** *(Community Planning & Development, March 10, 2020)*

**Questions to Assist CoCs and Public Health Authorities to Limit the Spread of Infectious Disease in Homeless Programs** *(HUD Exchange, March 9, 2020)*

**Coronavirus Disease: What Supportive Housing Providers Need to Know** *(CSH, March 11, 2020)*

**Preparing for COVID-19 in Congregate/Communal Settings** *(LAHSA, March 9, 2020)*

**Toolkits, Services, and Other Resources**

**The Corporation for Supportive Housing** launched a forum for supportive housing providers to access resources where you can access CSH authored and sourced materials; share materials and resources; learn from examples of others in the field; download sample materials that can be adapted for your agency; and post questions to
your colleagues. [Note: You will need to create a free account to log into the site.] (CSH, March 19, 2020)

**Infectious Disease Toolkit for CoCs** *(HUD Exchange, March 2020)*

**Specific Considerations for Public Health Authorities to Limit Infection Risk Among People Experiencing Homelessness** *(HUD Exchange, March 9, 2020)*

**Eligible ESG Program Costs for Infectious Disease Preparedness** *(HUD Exchange, March 5, 2020)*

**Using Continuum of Care Program Funds for Infectious Disease Preparedness and Response** *(HUD Exchange, March 13, 2020)*

**Infectious Disease Toolkit for Continuums of Care: Preventing & Managing the Spread of Infectious Disease for People Experiencing Homelessness** *(HUD, March 2020)*

**Infectious Disease Toolkit for Continuums of Care: Preventing & Managing the Spread of Infectious Disease Within Shelters** *(HUD, March 2020)*

**Pandemic Planning and Services that Support People Who are Homeless** *(OrgCode, March 1, 2020)*

**Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) Assessment Tool for Homeless Shelters** *(County of Los Angeles Public Health)*

**Local News and Resources**

**An unexpected side effect of the coronavirus? A new urgency about helping homeless people** *(LA Times, March 20, 2020)*

**Coronavirus: Oakland hotels to shelter homeless people** *(The Mercury News, March 16, 2020)*

**San Jose, California, is suspending its homeless camp eradication sweeps on the belief that forcing homeless people to move could heighten exposure to the virus** *(The Mercury News, March 12, 2020)*

**San Francisco plans to lease motor homes that could be parked in the city’s scenic Presidio park surrounding the Golden Gate Bridge as housing for the homeless under quarantine.** *(City and County of San Francisco, March 10, 2020)*

**COVID-19 Preparedness Planning Seattle/King County** *(Seattle and King County Public Health, March 6, 2020)*
COVID-19 Guidance for Los Angeles County Homeless Services Community (LAHSA, March 20, 2020)

Acton Steps to Support Homeless Individuals, Seattle/King County (King County, March 9, 2020)

King County Response to COVID-19, Powerpoint Presentation, Seattle/King County (March 10, 2020)

For Renters/Homeowners

**Preparation and General Information**

Get Your Home Ready (CDC)