

Minnesota Interagency Task Force on Homelessness

Mission Statement

The State of Minnesota Interagency Task Force on Homelessness works to effectively use state resources to prevent and end homelessness.

Purpose

To prevent and end homelessness the Interagency Task Force on Homelessness has been established to:

- Investigate, review and improve the current system of service delivery to people who are homeless or at risk of becoming homeless.
- Improve coordination of resources and activities of all state agencies relating to homelessness.
- Advise the Minnesota Housing Finance Agency in managing the Family Homeless Prevention and Assistance Program.

Values

The task force members work collaboratively, with commitment, openness, flexibility, cooperation, and respect for the roles and responsibilities of each state agency. We promote culturally competent service delivery through our funding recommendations.

Who we serve

We serve the organizations working directly with people who are homeless and/or who are at risk of becoming homeless in Minnesota. We work primarily with advocates, service providers, communities, cities, counties, state agencies, the legislature, the Governor and the federal government.

Objectives

The Interagency Task Force on Homelessness:

- Identifies, reduces and eliminates barriers to ending homelessness.
- Maximizes the capacity of the state to effectively access and manage federal and state resources.
- Directs and advises the Family Homeless Prevention and Assistance Program.
- Develops an annual work plan and goals based on the mission statement of the Interagency Task Force on Homelessness and semi-annually evaluates progress on achieving the goals.

The main objective of the Interagency Task Force on Homelessness for 2006-2007 is to identify opportunities for increased interagency collaboration and to support implementation of strategies to prevent and end homelessness.

Membership

Membership will consist of representatives of state agencies and organizations invited by the Commissioner of the Minnesota Housing Finance Agency. Members will act as a Family Homeless Prevention and Assistance Program Advisory Committee resource and advisor.