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GENERAL NEWS

HUD Awards \$142 Million to Help End Youth Homelessness

In a <u>press release</u> yesterday, the Department of Housing and Urban Development (<u>HUD</u>) announced that it is awarding \$142 million to 33 local communities under the Youth Homelessness Demonstration Program (<u>YHDP</u>), an initiative designed to reduce the number of youth experiencing homelessness.

YHDP will support a wide range of housing programs including rapid rehousing, permanent supportive housing, transitional housing, and host homes. The selected communities will collaborate with a broad array of partners including a youth advisory board and the local or state public child welfare agency to create a comprehensive community plan to end youth homelessness.

A list of the recipients and funding awards is included in the press release.

HUD Announces Latest in ConnectHome Webinar Series

HUD has announced that it will be hosting the latest in its series of <u>training webinars</u> on the <u>ConnectHome</u> initiative. The webinar series is meant to serve as guidance to help ConnectHome participating communities achieve their goals in connecting households to broadband and assisting communities in their digital inclusion and digital literacy efforts. As such, the series is relevant for PHA staff and community members responsible for ConnectHome program implementation.

During the latest scheduled webinar, titled "<u>Highlighting Resident Successes</u>," the Choctaw Nation of Oklahoma and the City of Phoenix Housing Department in Arizona will discuss a series of resident successes achieved through their ConnectHomeUSA programs. Participants will also learn about how these ConnectHomeUSA communities supported their residents, from youth to seniors, along their digital adoption journey.

The webinar is scheduled for Tuesday, September 21, 2021, from 2:00 to 3:00 p.m. Eastern time. Click <u>here</u> for more information, including <u>instructions</u> on how to register.

HUD Publishes Summer 2021 Issue of Evidence Matters

HUD's Office of Policy Development and Research (PD&R) has published the <u>Summer 2021</u> issue of <u>Evidence Matters</u>. PD&R provides this introduction to the 32-page issue, which focuses on evictions:

This issue of *Evidence Matters* examines the nation's eviction crisis. In this issue, you will learn about the prevalence of eviction in the United States and its impact, the racial disparity in eviction cases, the challenges involved in measuring eviction, and the eviction prevention measures that policymakers have implemented to keep people stably housed.

For PD&R's list of additional resources on evictions, click here.



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