

HANDS IN PARTNERSHIP

HOMELESS OUTREACH ADVOCATES OF BALTIMORE CITY

OUR VISION

One day, homelessness in the City of Baltimore will be rare and brief.

OUR MISSION

Hands in Partnership (HIP) represents a diverse coalition of Baltimore City Homeless Outreach Advocates striving to reduce the number of individuals experiencing homelessness in the city by:

- Frequenting the streets and spaces where individuals live
- Identifying those who need assistance
- Engaging the individual, and
- Linking the individual to services, by educating on available resources and assisting the individual with his or her goals

The Homeless Outreach Advocates of HIP work across the community by uniting together and:

- Coordinating outreach providers to provide a city-wide, unified, responsive homeless outreach system
- Determining the unmet needs of the homeless population
- Increasing public awareness of issues surrounding homelessness such as the need for affordable housing
- Serving as a liaison to the community
- Advocating for outreach as an effective intervention
- Identifying and sharing best practices

OUR COMMITMENT

- Relationship building and trust are the keys to initiating and sustaining services to individuals experiencing homelessness
- Outreach calls for creativity and resourcefulness
- An individual has the right to refuse help
- Everyone has the right to housing, food, clothing and healthcare
- We are all part of a community

OUR PROMISE

As homeless outreach advocates, we will not perform involuntary removal.

We will not answer requests to remove individuals.

We will honor requests to engage individuals and link them to services.

HIP MEMBERSHIP AND PARTNERS

Baltimore Crisis Response 24-Hour Crisis Hotline

Baltimore Mental Health Systems, Inc.

Baltimore Homeless Services

Baltimore HealthCare Access Inc.

Baltimore Substance Abuse Systems, Inc.

Bon Secours – Homeless Outreach Services

Catholic Charities – Our Daily Bread Employment Center

Downtown Partnership of Baltimore, Inc.

Ethel Elan Safe Haven

Health Care for the Homeless

Helping Other People through Empowerment

Johns Hopkins Homeless Outreach Services Team (HOST)

P.E.P (People Encouraging People) – Homeless Outreach Program

Power Inside

Project Jumpstart

Safe Haven 1

St. Vincent de Paul of Baltimore Beans and Bread

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