



FOOD+SHELTER

How Maslow's Hierarchy of Needs Should Drive and Combat the Intersectionality of Hunger & Homelessness

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Maslow's Hierarchy of Needs



**SELF-
ACTUALIZATION**
morality, creativity,
spontaneity, acceptance

SELF-ESTEEM
confidence, achievement,
respect of others

LOVE & BELONGING
friendship, family, intimacy, sense of connection

SAFETY & SECURITY
health, employment, property, family, social security

PHYSIOLOGICAL NEEDS
breathing, food, water, shelter, clothing, sleep

Maslow's = Housing First



Housing First is an approach that centers on providing homeless people with housing quickly and then providing services as needed.

What differentiates a Housing First approach from other strategies is that there is an immediate and primary focus on helping individuals and families quickly access and sustain permanent housing. This approach has the benefit of being consistent with what most people experiencing homelessness want and seek help to achieve.

(National Alliance to End Homelessness)



WAIT, WAIT, WAIT!
Everyone gets a place to live?



HOW? WHEN? WHO
PAYS?

History of Homelessness Policy



- 1950s & 60s: Deinstitutionalization (targeting individuals with mental illness and developmental disabilities) leads to increased homelessness.
- 1987: Congress passes Stewart B. McKinney Homeless Assistance Act, the first federal law specifically addressing homelessness (later known as the McKinney-Vento Act).
- 1988 (LA), 1992 (NYC): Housing First philosophy becomes a working model.
- 1994: HUD begins requiring communities to collaborate under a comprehensive Continuum of Care (CoC).

History of Homelessness Policy



- 2009: Homeless Emergency Assistance and Rapid Transition to Housing (HEARTH) Act
(Re-authorization of McKinney-Vento Act)
- 2010: First comprehensive federal strategic plan calls for ending CHRONIC homelessness by 2015 using Housing First best practices
- 2010: 100,000 Homes campaign begins, aiming to house 100,000 chronically homeless by September 2014, learning “name and need” so as to establish a process which prioritizes based on “vulnerability index” *(Achieved goal on July 29, 2014)*

History of Homelessness Policy



- 2012: Interim rule drastically changes local CoCs, requires a universal data management system (HMIS – Homeless Management Information System), and changes grants & funding processes (ESGs – Emergency Solutions Grants).
- 2014: HUD begins requiring CoCs to move towards implementation of local coordinated entry systems (AKA: coordinated assessment or coordinated intake).

What does that mean in AZ?



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How are homeless services in Arizona funded & administered?

United States
Department of Housing
& Urban Development

Maricopa County
Continuum of Care

Tucson/Pima County
Continuum of Care

Arizona
Balance of State
Continuum of Care

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Maricopa Association of
Governments

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Coordinated Entry = No Wrong Doors

- Coordinated Entry: Offers multiple locations to access services or shelter, with each agency conducting the same assessment in order to make referrals using the same criteria, allowing for access to the same set of resources for everyone.
- Coordinated Assessment: Utilized to help agencies determine vulnerability and acuity, which helps determine the best program match for each person or family experiencing homelessness coming to the front door.

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Pathway to Housing





How does HUNGER factor in?

- Crossover in clientele utilizing soup kitchens, food boxes, banks, pantries, SNAP.
- Community feeding practices: then, now, future.
- ***CALL TO ACTION:*** Relationship-building and networking in order to holistically assist people in gaining self-sufficiency.
 - Coordinated community feedings
 - National Hunger & Homelessness Awareness Week collaboration and networking

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Connect in your community!



MARICOPA COUNTY

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Maricopa Association of Governments

MORE INFO:
<http://www.azmag.gov/Committees>

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