Outreach & Housing Navigation

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Outreach: Face-to-face interaction with people experiencing homelessness. Outreach takes place on the streets, beaches, encampments, under bridges, in temporary motels, meal sites, and wherever else people might be located.

Purpose of outreach: To meet basic needs, build trust and rapport with individuals who do not access traditional services, and connect people with housing, services, and supports. Outreach & Engagement

Outreach Principles

- Meet people where they are:
 - geographically
 - emotionally
 - physically
- Help meet basic needs
- Be respectful and treat everyone with dignity
- Recognize that the relationship is central to outreach and engagement
- Create a safe, open, friendly space, regardless of the setting





Housing Navigation

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- Obtain all documentation
- Housing Authority
- Build a relationship, a team, and partnership around client
- Housing Leads
- Case Notes
- Advocate!!

Success Stories!















Questions?



"We have been called to heal wounds, to unite what has fallen apart, and to bring home those who have lost their way."

- Francis of Assisi (outreach worker), circa 1200