

This Plan sets out action steps for May 2017 – June 2018 to prevent and end homelessness in Orange County and aligns with the federal strategic plan to end homelessness, [Opening Doors](#). The Orange County Partnership to End Homelessness (OCPEH) Leadership Team prioritized three Strategic Categories for Homelessness, indicated with a star below.

**VISION:** No one should experience homelessness – no one should be without a safe, stable place to call home.

**GOALS**

1. Prevent and end homelessness among Veterans
2. Finish the job of ending chronic homelessness
3. Prevent and end homelessness for families, youth, and children
4. Set a path to ending all types of homelessness

Primary Group

**STRATEGIC CATEGORIES FOR HOMELESSNESS**



## Increase Leadership, Collaboration, and Civic Engagement

Action Step	Who
1. Submit OCPEH Annual Report to County and Towns, present to elected boards and people experiencing homelessness on Homeless System Map	Coordinator
2. Leadership Team members complete three individual actions to increase leadership, collaboration, and civic engagement including attending a racial equity workshop	Leadership Team
3. Hold two Community Data Review events with elected officials, community members, people experiencing homelessness, and the media to raise awareness about ending homelessness in Orange County	Coordinator, Leadership Team
4. Develop Homelessness 201 presentation and materials with targeted information about the role of the Leadership Team and other community leaders in ending homelessness	Coordinator
5. Engage Public Information Officers of County and Towns in publicizing the OCPEH and homeless service providers information	Coordinator, Executive Team

## Increase Access to Stable and Affordable Housing

Action Step	Who
6. House fifteen households experiencing homelessness in public housing units (Chapel Hill and Orange County)	100K Task Force
7. Establish homeless preference for Orange County Housing Choice Vouchers	Coordinator, Leadership Team
8. Create plan to maximize other federal sources for homeless services funding including HOME, CDBG, & CSBG funds	Coordinator, Executive Team
9. Explore local funding options for a risk mitigation fund and help with security deposits	Coordinator, 100K Task Force

## Retool the Homeless Crisis Response System

Action Step	Who
10. Obtain buy-in from three non-required Orange County agencies to participate in coordinated entry	Coordinator, 100K Task Force
11. Work with four local government and two foundation funder to require participation in coordinated entry	Coordinator, Leadership Team
12. Complete funding requests for top three system gaps	Coordinator, Leadership Team
13. Provide training for homeless service provider Executive level staff about effective system collaboration purpose and strategies	Coordinator, Technical Assistance Provider
14. Evaluate homeless system data by race, gender, age, and household type and formulate action steps to address disproportionality in our system.	Coordinator, Leadership Team

## Timeline

Action Step	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun
1. Present to governments														
2. Individual actions														
3. Community Data Review events														
4. Homelessness 201	Coordinator did not achieve due to lack of time, added to 2019-2020 Action Steps.													
5. Engage PIOs														
6: 15 in public housing														
7: HCV homeless preference														
8: Other federal homeless funding														
9. Risk mitigation fund														
10. 3+ for coordinated entry														
11. Funders require coord. entry	Coordinator and Leadership Team did not pursue because coordinated entry system not developed sufficiently by June 2018 to implement this, added to 2019-2020 Action Steps.													
12: Funding requests for 3 gaps	Coordinator and Leadership Team did not achieve this as not applicant agencies, but did use gaps to make funding decisions for 2017 and 2018 CoC and ESG applications.													
13: Training on collaboration	Coordinator did not pursue this as agency training priorities shifted to conflict resolution, trauma-informed care, and self care – trainings on these topics was provided for agencies.													
14: Disproportionality report, action														



Proposed timeline, not yet started



Action in progress



Action completed