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# *The NYC Continuum of Care*

## **Best Wishes Martha Kenton!**

The NYC CoC community would like to extend our heartfelt thanks to Martha Kenton for her steadfast commitment to the work of the NYC CoC. We're sad to see you go, but it's great to know that you'll be successful in your new journey. Please join us in acknowledging Martha Kenton's mark on the homelessness services community.

Thank you Martha - Your leadership and energy will be missed.

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## **December Public Meeting ReCap**

To recap, the meeting attendees got the chance to learn about The Bridge Project, receive updates from the NYC CoC and HOPE team, and receive a CAPS refresher. We look forward to sharing space with you in the new year!

[Click here for the slides!](#)

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hope  
2025

Join us as a volunteer for NYC's 20th annual Homeless Outreach Population Estimate, also known as [HOPE](#)! It is right around the corner on **January 28th, 2025, at 10PM** (rain date: February 4th).

On the night of HOPE, volunteers help by canvassing streets, parks, subways, and other public spaces. **Volunteers are needed from approximately 10PM to 4AM on the night of January 28th.** About 1,500 volunteers are needed to make HOPE a success! Your efforts on the night of HOPE allow us to get a clearer picture of the number of people experiencing unsheltered homelessness in New York City and help increase the number of individuals connected with services.

Please join the HOPE team and help with volunteering! You can sign up to register at [nyc.gov/hope](https://nyc.gov/hope).



## Shadow Count

Help New York City's Homeless Count

**Do you want to help ensure every single person experiencing homelessness counts?  
Become a decoy for Shadow Count 2025!**

Organized by the Silberman School of Social Work, the Shadow Count deploys paid "decoys" who are stationed in pairs across the city to help ensure the accuracy of the New York City Department of Social Services' HOPE Count. To participate, you must register at this [Online Registration Form](#), and will be expected to complete a training (in-person or virtual) ahead of the HOPE night on **January 28, 2025**.

[Click here for the Shadow Count Flyer!](#)

For more information, contact Christine Kim at [ck666@hunter.cuny.edu](mailto:ck666@hunter.cuny.edu).



### Unsheltered Homeless Youth Population Doubled

An annual count of homeless youths



### Revamped Version of City of Yes Passes

On December 5, the New York City Council voted to adopt a modified version of [City of](#)

conducted by NYC's Department of Youth and Community Development (DYCD) last January, found the highest number of unsheltered young people in at least a decade. A [report](#) on the survey was as recently released.

[Click here to read the article!](#)

[Yes for Housing Opportunity](#)—one which scales back some of the zoning reforms included in the original, adds affordability incentives, and allocates \$5 billion for infrastructure upgrades and housing programs. The will also create an estimated 80,000 new homes over 15 years.

[Click here to learn more!](#)



### Picture of Preservation 2024

NLIHC and the Public and Affordable Housing Research Corporation (PAHRC) recently released Picture of Preservation 2024. The report analyzes data from the National Housing Preservation Database (NHPD) to assess the existing federally assisted housing stock and the specific preservation risks faced by these homes.

[Click here to read the report!](#)



### Affordable Housing Implementation

The **Advancing Equity in Local Housing Development Implementation Guide** is one of a series of Implementation Guides that are part of the [Increasing the Supply of New Affordable Housing Toolkit](#). This guide identifies actions local governments can pursue and explores how communities can incorporate policies and practices to increase equity in housing and community development efforts.

[Click here to view the guide!](#)



### NAEH Conference

National Alliance to End Homelessness's 2025 Innovations and Solutions for Ending Unsheltered Homelessness Conference will bring together service providers, system



### Surveys on Lived Experience

The Alliance's Homelessness Research Institute has released two surveys to gather more information about how people with lived experience are involved and

leaders, advocates, and people with lived experience of homelessness to learn from each other, discuss best practices, and share new innovations in the field—all with the central theme of bringing people home. The conference will take place from **February 26 – 28, 2025 in Los Angeles, CA.**

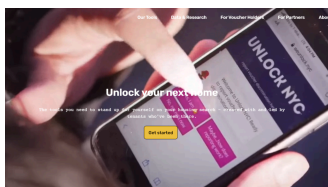
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integrated into homeless services systems. Click one of the surveys below.

1. [If you have experienced homelessness and provided homeless services at some point during your life](#)
2. [For leaders and directors that coordinate and/or provide resources to people experiencing homelessness](#)

If you have an event or news you want to share please reach out to the NYC CoC Team at [nyc.coc@dss.nyc.gov](mailto:nyc.coc@dss.nyc.gov)

To view events happening at the CoC Calendar, check out our [Calendar of Events!](#)



### Tenant Resource

[Unlock NYC](#) Unlock NYC offers a chatbot for homeless New Yorkers to build a paper trail when facing discrimination. Over 600 have used it to generate reports, connect to legal services, and advocate for a better voucher system.

[Click here for Fact Sheet!](#)

**NYC CoC  
Resources**



### NYC CoC Committees

Sign up for a committee!

**Join a  
Committee!**



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[Program Manager](#)

**IMPACCT Brooklyn**

[Credentialed Alcoholism and Substance Abuse Counselor](#)

**Job  
Opportunities**

The mission of the NYC Continuum of Care (CoC) is to provide a leadership role in local planning and coordination to prevent and eradicate homelessness in New York City, while effectively implementing the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development's (HUD) Continuum of Care program.

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