

# HOW TO ADVOCATE & END HOMELESSNESS

## Learn

- **Explore articles** on our website to learn more about what homelessness is and what causes it.
- **Read stories** from individuals and families in our community who have first-hand experience with homelessness.
- **Discover the data.** Use our data dashboard to learn more about our progress towards ending homelessness.
- **Follow Lex End Homelessness** on [Twitter](#), [Facebook](#), and [Instagram](#). We often share resources, volunteer opportunities, and more information about homelessness.

## Give

- **Support permanent housing for all** by donating to Lex End Homelessness Fund. No donation is too small to make a difference.
- **Find a partner organization** that works directly on ending and reducing homelessness and support them by donating items and supplies they need. You can also volunteer with an organization to make and share meals,
- **Give resource cards** and other tangible items (such as single ride bus passes) to those asking for help.

## Advocate

- **Join the [Lex End Homelessness Continuum of Care \(CoC\)](#).** Partnership is free and highly encouraged for any organization working in the field of human services. Apply today!
- **Call a [Lex End Homelessness provider organization](#)** and ask to learn more about their work and volunteer opportunities.
- **Contact local leaders** about increasing the investment in affordable and fair housing in our community. Read our [thought-provoking articles](#) to find talking points and insights to share.
- **Reach out to landlords** to provide rental opportunities for people with past criminal records, poor credit, or poor rental histories. The inability to find rental housing can often lead to homelessness. Check out the [Lexington Fair Housing Council](#) to learn more.
- **Advocate to local employers** to consider qualifications and expertise before rejecting someone because of previous mistakes. Some people can't find work because employers reject their job applications based strictly on long past criminal incidents. There are [many programs](#) that will support employers who are willing to provide second chance employment.
- **Follow other advocacy organizations** like the Homeless & Housing Coalition of Kentucky (HHCK) for more advocacy opportunities.