

Columbus/Franklin County

COVID-19 Homeless Response Network (HRN)

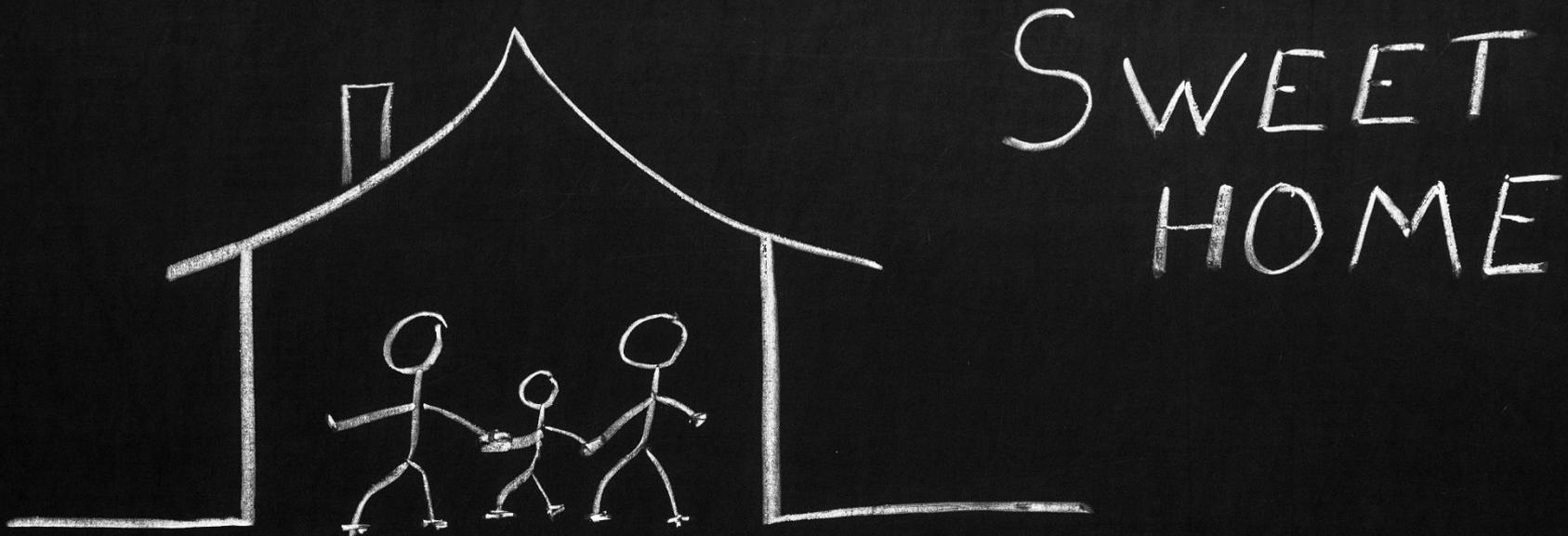
*Homelessness Prevention & Re-Housing*

*Resources & Strategies*

6-2-20

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# Webinar Overview

**Today's Topic: Homelessness Prevention & Re-Housing Resources & Strategies**

## Questions:

- All phones are muted – please “raise hand” to ask a question or share a comment
- Use the Question pane in control panel to submit question



**Webinar will be recorded and posted to**

<https://www.csb.org/providers/COVID-19-provider-guidance>



# Agenda

- Check in on current events
- Providing remote/virtual re-housing and stabilization services
- Eviction prevention resources
- Landlord troubleshooting, mediation strategies



# Homeless Crisis Response System

- Feedback and impressions regarding the downtown protests.
- Partner needs to address concerns

# Remote Case Management



- Tips for reaching out to clients when they are difficult to reach.
- Good vs. effective case management

## Federal Eviction Moratorium – What does it mean?

A moratorium on evictions for non-payment of rent and is distinct from the local moratorium on evictions.

Federal Moratorium vs the Franklin County Moratorium on evictions:

- o For federally qualified units/properties (covered by the CARES Act)– the moratorium is set to end on July 24th with 30 days of notice that is required, then landlord can file on August 23rd. See attachment for summary of CARES Act.
- o Properties NOT covered under the CARES Act are still covered under the Franklin County moratorium, which ended on June 1, 2020.

# CARES ACT

## VAWA Covered Housing Programs

The eviction moratorium extends to federal housing rental programs covered by VAWA (34 U.S.C. § 12491(a)). The moratorium itself does not impact VAWA housing protections but referencing the VAWA statute was presumably a quick way to extend coverage to most federally assisted rental housing programs. <https://www.dontgetkickedout.com/>

### Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD)<sup>2</sup>

- McKinney-Vento Act homelessness programs (42 U.S.C. § 11360, et seq.)<sup>5</sup>
- Public housing (42 U.S.C. § 1437d)
- Section 8 Housing Choice Voucher program (42 U.S.C. § 1437f)<sup>3</sup>
- Section 8 project-based housing (42 U.S.C. § 1437f)
- Section 202 housing for the elderly (12 U.S.C. § 1701q)<sup>4</sup>
- Section 811 housing for people with disabilities (42 U.S.C. § 8013)
- Section 236 multifamily rental housing (12 U.S.C. § 1715z-1)
- Section 221(d)(3) Below Market Interest Rate (BMIR) housing (12 U.S.C. § 17151(d))
- HOME (42 U.S.C. § 12741 et seq.)
- Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS (HOPWA) (42 U.S.C. § 12901, et seq.)



# Eviction Prevention Resources

## TANF Assistance via CSB

- CSB has been awarded short-term TANF funding from the state of Ohio to support emergency rent and utility assistance needs of families. TANF funding is available only through June 30, 2020, and can assist with:
- Rental assistance (tenant portion only), including rental arrears and July rent
- Utility assistance (gas, electric, and water/sewer only), including utility arrears
- Additional information regarding eligibility and how to apply for assistance is attached.

## CARES Act Funded Assistance via IMPACT Community Action

- There are many resources available for those impacted by COVID-19 that are behind on their rent. IMPACT Community Action has received federal, city, county and private funding for eviction prevention. The HOPE Fund is a dynamic initiative developed to address the wave of evictions that will hit our community in June and throughout the summer.
- Attached is a PowerPoint presentation of the Hope Fund program with details on how to access these funds for your clients. This packet of information contains contact information for IMPACT if you have any questions.

# Eviction Prevention Resources

## PRC Plus

- Extra funding running from June 1 thru September 30th
- Rental assistance, Back rent and Mortgage payments only
- Income threshold is up to 300% poverty level, most other eligibility requirements are the same as PRC
- Online fillable application – more info on Eviction Resources Rental Assistance sheet

## Tenant Webinar – Wednesday June 3<sup>rd</sup> – 5:00 pm – 6:00 pm

- Tenant webinar for anyone that needs to see all of the resources available to prevent eviction. Everyone is welcome to join this. It will be recorded and we will send out to everyone. See attached Tenant Webinar Invite for more information.

## Community Mediation Services

### Housing Stability Services

- Maintenance Issues
- Security Deposit
- Assessments of fees & damages
- Eviction Actions (Pay & Stay or Move out Arrangements).
- Landlord – Tenant Education



## Tips for Engaging Landlords.

- Remain Neutral
- Early Intervention
- Benefits of landlord/tenant mediation (\$123 - \$300)
- Build Rapport
- Share Resources

# Future Topics

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## 6/16/20: Supports for unsheltered individuals

- Accessing PPE
- Access to basic needs
- Educating about COVID risks and precautions

# QUESTIONS

## CSB COVID-19 Information Repository:

<https://www.csb.org/providers/COVID-19-provider-guidance>

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