

Homelessness

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Homelessness affects a diverse cross-section of individuals and families. Some people are confronted with chronic challenges of poverty while others may have lost their house or apartment in the recent economic downturn. Many argue there is not enough affordable housing available which puts more people at risk of becoming homeless. This bibliography presents resources that discuss homelessness including various assistance programs and affordable housing.

"Affordable Housing – Addressing the Basic Needs of Low-Income Families: Should the House Approve H.R. 2895, The National Affordable Housing Trust Fund Act?" / Barney Frank, U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development... [et al.], *Congressional Digest*, December 2007, v.86, no.10. (331.839/C761a) This publication summarizes the bill and then presents arguments for and against by members of Congress.

Changing Priorities: The Federal Budget and Housing Assistance, 1976 – 2005 / National Low Income Housing Coalition, October 2004. (331.839/N212a) www.nlihc.org/doc/cp04.pdf

DHCD 2007-08 Annual Report / Wisconsin Department of Commerce, Division of Housing and Community Development. Annual report describing financial awards and listing the amount given for housing assistance and community development programs. <http://commerce.wi.gov/CD/docs/cd-report-08.pdf>

"Ending Homelessness: Is the Problem Solvable?" / Congressional Quarterly, Inc., *CQ Researcher*, June 18, 2004, v.14, no.23. (361.3/C761b)

"Getting to YIMBY: Lessons in Yes In My Back Yard" / National Low Income Housing Coalition, *The NIMBY Report*, 2003, no. 1. (331.839/N212) This publication discusses the Not In My Back Yard syndrome and how to overcome it when trying to establish low-income housing or community-based services. www.nlihc.org/doc/2003-1.pdf

Homelessness: Targeted Federal Programs and Recent Legislation / U.S. Congressional Research Service, 2006. (CRS Report for Congress RL30442) www.policyarchive.org/bitstream/handle/10207/994/RL30442_20060926.pdf?sequence=3

Homelessness in America / Robert Hartmann McNamara, 2008. (361.3/M23) This 3-volume set approaches homelessness from a variety of perspectives including legal and political. Part 1 describes specific segments of the population who are homeless, part 2 describes causes, and part 3 discusses solutions.

Low-Income Affordable Housing / Wisconsin Legislative Reference Bureau, September 2002. (Tap the Power) www.legis.state.wi.us/lrb/pubs/ttp/ttp-9-2002.html

****Plan to End Homelessness in Wisconsin: "Homeward Wisconsin" / Wisconsin Interagency Council on Homelessness, 2007. (HFS/H/s) (library use only)*** The Wisconsin Interagency Council on Homelessness was created by Governor Jim Doyle in 2004. This report describes the council's plan to eliminate chronic homelessness. www.commerce.state.wi.us/cd/docs/wisp/_WI%20Plan%20to%20end%20Homelessness%20final.pdf

Preventing and Ending Homelessness – Next Steps / Urban Institute, February 2009. "This brief examines the current state of homelessness in America, how community responses are changing, what is working, and, most important, what policymakers should be doing to move forward, not backward."—from abstract www.urban.org/UploadedPDF/411837_ending_homelessness.pdf

"Straining the Safety Net: Is Joblessness Overwhelming Aid Programs?" / Congressional Quarterly, Inc., *CQ Researcher*, July 31, 2009, v.19, no.27. (331.86/C761d) Included in this publication is a brief discussion of unemployment and homelessness.

Strategies for Reducing Chronic Street Homelessness: Final Report / U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, Office of Policy Development and Research, 2004. www.huduser.org/Publications/homeless/chronic_homeless.html

Toward Understanding Homelessness: The 2007 National Symposium on Homelessness Research / U.S. Department of Health and Human Services and U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, September 2007. www.huduser.org/publications/homeless/homeless_symp_07.html

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Trends in the Size of the Nation's Homeless Population During the 1980s: A Surprising Result / University of Wisconsin-Madison, Institute for Research on Poverty. 1995. (361.3/W7L) A look back on the recession of the 1980s and its effect on homelessness. www.irp.wisc.edu/publications/dps/pdfs/dp103494.pdf

The 2008 Annual Homeless Assessment Report to Congress / U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, Office of Community Planning and Development. 2009. www.hudhre.info/documents/4thHomelessAssessmentReport.pdf

2009 Policy Guide / National Alliance to End Homelessness. 2009. www.endhomelessness.org/content/article/detail/2462

Up Against a Wall: Housing Affordability for Renters – An Analysis of the 2003 American Community Survey / National Low Income Housing Coalition. 2004. (331.837/N21) An analysis at the state, county, and city level nationwide. www.nlihc.org/doc/uaaw.pdf

Veterans Assistance Program Services Provided by the Center for Veterans Issues, Ltd. / Wisconsin Legislative Audit Bureau. 2004. (359.76/W7e) An audit of the center that helps veterans obtain employment and affordable housing. www.legis.state.wi.us/lab/windex.htm

Related Web Sites

Corporation for Supportive Housing: www.csh.org
Helps communities create permanent housing with services to prevent and end homelessness.

Denver's Road Home – Donation Meter Program: www.denversroadhome.org/events.php?id_cat=22 As a part of Denver's 10-year plan to end homelessness, this innovative program collects donations via refurbished parking meters installed in the downtown area.

Interagency Council on Homelessness: www.ich.gov/slocal/index.html This federal agency coordinates a national partnership with local and state governments to end homelessness. Wisconsin joined this partnership on August 9, 2004, by Executive Order #66, signed by Governor Doyle. www.usich.gov/slocal/exec-orders/eo_wisconsin.pdf

International Network of Street Papers: www.street-papers.org INSP supports street paper projects worldwide to create employment for homeless people. Madison's *Street Pulse* is a part of this network.

Massachusetts Housing and Shelter Alliance – Home and Healthy for Good: www.mhsa.net/matriarch/MultiPiecePage.asp_Q_PageID_E_57_A_PageName_E_WhatwedoHomeandHealthyforGood This Housing First strategy in Massachusetts has good results with providing permanent housing.

National Association for the Education of Homeless Children and Youth: www.naehcy.org/facts.html

National Coalition for the Homeless: www.nationalhomeless.org/index.html

U.S. Department of Health and Human Services: www.hhs.gov/homeless

U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD): There are several pages within the HUD Web site that provide funding information and other resources pertaining to homelessness and assistance.

- **HUD – Homeless Assistance Library:** www.hud.gov/offices/cpd/homeless/library/index.cfm
- **HUD – Homeless Assistance Programs:** www.hud.gov/offices/cpd/homeless/programs/index.cfm
- **HUD – Homelessness Resource Exchange:** www.hudhre.info

U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs (DVA): www1.va.gov/homeless According to the DVA, about one-third of the adult homeless population have served their country in the Armed Services. Wisconsin's DVA Web site is not as comprehensive as the federal site, but can be found at: www.dva.state.wi.us/Ben_homeless.asp

Wisconsin Department of Commerce: Many assistance programs in Wisconsin are run by the Department of Commerce.

- **DHCD – Division of Housing and Community Development:** <http://commerce.wi.gov/CD/cd-boh-Home.html>
- **Homelessness Prevention & Rapid Re-Housing Program:** <http://commerce.wi.gov/CD/cd-boh-hprp.html>
This program is funded by the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009.

Wisconsin Front Door: www.wifrontdoorhousing.org
This site has apartments listed from every county of the state, and allows searches based on availability, rent amount, handicap accessibility, Income Restrictive, Section 8 voucher acceptance, and much more.

Wisconsin Office of Recovery and Reinvestment: www.recovery.wi.gov/program_search.asp?locid=164
All housing assistance programs funded by the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 can be found by selecting "housing" in the "Program by Category" box and "all" for the other search boxes.

*This title or portions of this Web site are also available through the WI Digital Archives at <http://cdm15011.contentdm.oclc.org>