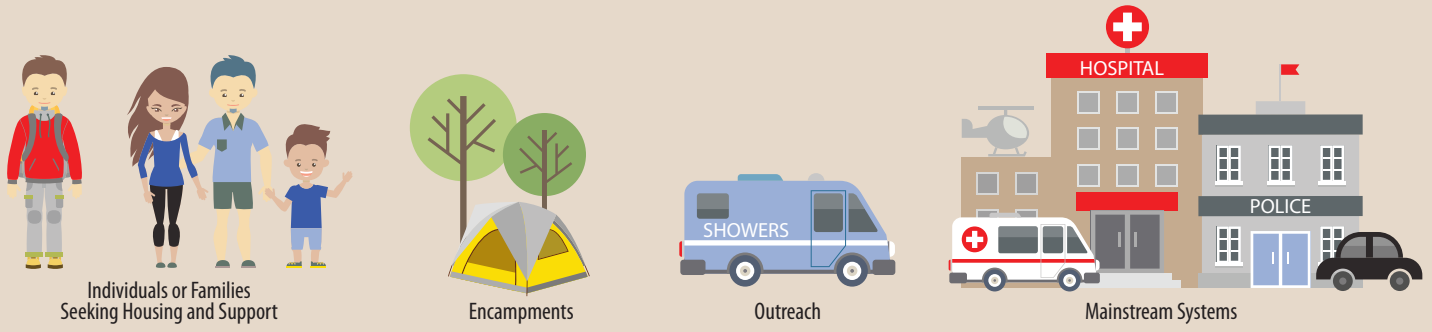
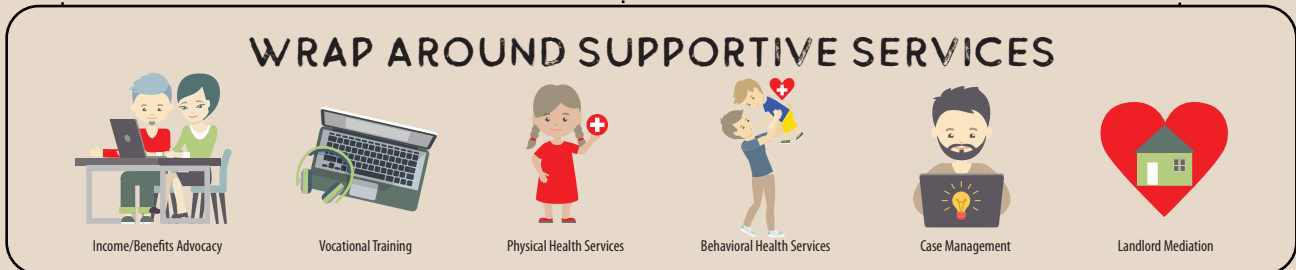
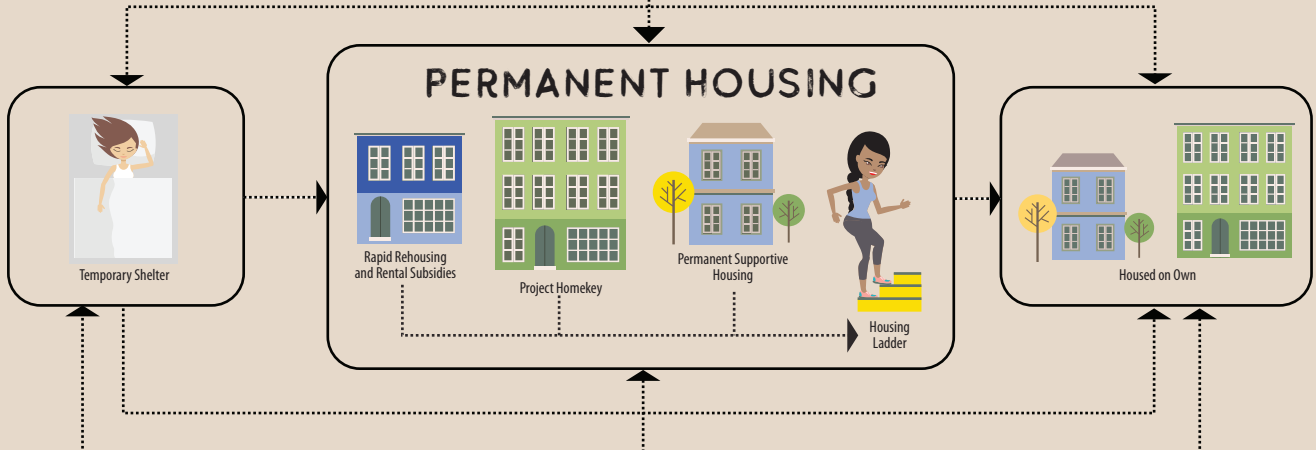


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# Building an Effective Homeless Response System

*Adapted from the National Association to End Homelessness*



***Ending homelessness requires building a system that leverages programs and resources in the most efficient manner in order to house as many people as possible.***

## Effective Homeless Response Systems...

- Implement an efficient and coordinated process that moves people from homelessness to housing as quickly as possible and diverts people from imminent homelessness whenever possible
- Use a systematic approach to align interventions and resources across programs in a coordinated way around this common goal
- Ensure that homelessness is rare, brief, and one-time

## Effective Homeless Response Systems have measurable goals that demonstrate...

- Reduction of in-flow into homelessness
- Increased exits to permanent housing
- Decreased average length of homelessness
- Decreased returns to homelessness

## Effective Homeless Response Systems exhibit the following characteristics...

- Housing First approach across all interventions within the system
- Diversion from imminent homeless system when safe and appropriate
- Rapid identification and engagement of people experiencing unsheltered homelessness to connect them to crisis services and housing assistance
- Quick, accessible, low-barrier pathways to shelter and other crisis services with short stays in shelter
- Rapid connection to permanent housing for all sheltered and unsheltered people, whether or not they are matched to a housing resource through coordinated entry

## Priorities for Building a Better System...

- Align all activities and interventions of your system around the common goal to quickly get people into permanent housing and help them stay
- Fund the activities and interventions that are effective in reaching this goal
- Develop strategic resource collaboration and coordination across all types of providers of homeless, housing, and human services to improve outcomes and fill gaps