Welcome to the CCEH COVID-19 Response Newsletter.
For additional resources relating to the COVID-19 response, visit cceh.org/covid19.
You can also donate to CCEH's COVID-19 Emergency Fund at cceh.org/about/donate-now/covid19.

A Message from Our CEO

Dear Friends,

I hope that you and your loved ones are well during these difficult times. As we weather this storm together, I want to give a big shout out to everybody in our coalition who is working tirelessly and bravely to help prevent the spread of COVID-19 and keep our people safe. Thanks to all the brave CAN and shelters workers working day in and day out, to the landlords who reached out with vacant apartments we can make available as part of our rehousing efforts, and to our state and municipal representatives, elected officials, and staff for your leadership.

Also, a quick note about the hoteling initiative we have underway. As I write this we are working on moving people into hotels across the state so thanks to everybody who is part of this Herculean effort.

Keep in mind too that this too shall pass and we will come together as a community once again. We are pleased to announce that we have rescheduled this year’s Annual Training Institute for October 5th, of course assuming that it is safe to congregate at that point, so please mark your calendars.

We have a lot to work ahead of us so please stay in touch and let us know how CCEH can support your efforts. Thank you and stay well.

Sincerely,
Richard Cho
CEO

Shelter Decompression

In response to Governor Lamont’s Executive Order 7P, CCEH is working closely with state agencies, Coordinated Access Networks, and shelters to comply with the CDC’s health guideline that shelter beds be spaced 3-6 feet apart to reduce spread of COVID-19. Special thanks to all of the providers working to move many clients out of congregate shelter settings into local hotels, which will create more space for those who continue to access shelter. Visit cceh.org/covid19/ to learn more about this massive effort.

Calling All Landlords

We are looking for urgent assistance identifying any vacant affordable, multifamily, or other available housing units right away and are reaching out in hopes that you can help. Our goal is to protect our shelter staff and occupants by moving as many people as possible out of crowded shelters into the safety of their own apartments. I would invite you to contact our coalition as soon as possible with any available units. You can contact us using the form at cceh.org/emergencyhousing or at info@cceh.org.

COVID-19 Homeless Response Guidance

CCEH is working closely with state agencies, Coordinated Access Networks, and shelters to reduce the impact of COVID-19 on people experiencing homelessness, the providers who serve them, and the general public. CCEH is regularly updating resources on our COVID-19 response page. Click here to see the CCEH Guide: cceh.org/covid19/.

Donate Now

Our shelters are doing everything they can to follow the CDC guidelines of spacing beds 6 feet apart, but the reality is that with current shelter capacity we need to work more quickly than ever to move people out of shelters and into HOMES. If you have been looking for a way to help, please consider donating emergency funds to move families and individuals into apartments right away. Click here to make your donation today: cceh.org/about/donate-now/covid1.
News Digest

**Homeless Advocates Get Creative In Keeping Clients Safe During Coronavirus**
WSHU | April 2020

**Connecticut Shelters Rapidly Moving People to Hotels to Prevent COVID-19 Outbreaks; Homeless Individual Test Positive in Hartford**
Hartford Courant | March 2020

**How Homeowners and Renters Are Getting Financial Help During The COVID-19 Crisis**
NBC Connecticut | March 2020

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