

Reset Committee Vision

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We share a common vision of a community where everyone has a safe place to sleep and no one lives in homelessness. We envision a community that genuinely respects human dignity and dedicates resources accordingly. All people are assisted to achieve their full potential. They have a direct pathway to the support they need, including meaningful employment and decent services to address issues of health and wellness, mental health, and alcohol and drug addiction.

Since the launch of the 10-Year Plan to End Homelessness, we have achieved many successes. But we have also been battered by the worst economy in generations. We recognize that our vision will not be realized any time soon. Until resources are adequate to fully meet vital needs, we must prioritize, plan, and think strategically... and opportunistically.

We embrace innovation and system change. By coordinating the investments and efforts of all jurisdictions and community-based organizations, we strengthen our effectiveness through joint ownership, streamlined practices, and mutual accountability.

Until our vision is within reach, our community must struggle to identify the most strategic balance between competing priorities and a wide range of differing needs. We are committed to allocating our limited resources in the most efficient and effective way possible. While homelessness remains in our community, our safety net must ensure that no one is forced to sleep outside.

The 10YP Reset Committee charge includes looking at successful practices, lessons learned, areas to improve, and opportunities to renew public engagement to end homelessness.