

The Next Step

April 19, 2024



The solution to homelessness is housing.

Everyone is housing ready.

Housing First is the key.

Next Step aims to house 150 people by the end of Emergency Cold Weather Shelter.

Housing First is not housing only:

- Case management for up to 12 months.
- Planning for month 13 begins now.
- Connection to community resources.

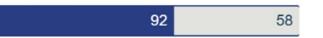
Progress as of 4/15/24



Next Step is a collaborative pilot project to house 150 people by the end

of April 2024, moving individuals from Anchorage emergency cold veather shelter into housing. Supportive services will help people stabilize and begin a new chapter in life.

See Progress! 92/150 housed through Next Step.



It only takes \$85/day to house one person with supports.

It costs \$100 for a day in a shelter.

Count updated April 15, 2024.

The Next Step – By the Numbers As of February 28, 2024



Measuring Success

Number of People Experiencing Homelessness In Anchorage

- October 2023 3,569
- February 2024 3,289

Percentage of Exits to permanent housing destinations

• February 2024 – 36.9%

Pilot Project Returns to Homelessness

• 2 (98% retention rate at 1st quarter)

What's Next?

- Continue to recruit landlords
- Working with Family shelter and ERA-2 funds to decompress and create flow in the family system using this model
- Preparation for Phase 2 this summer
- Solicit support for the continuation of the project



The Coalition is seeking:



Housing units at market rate. Landlords, connect with Jessica Parks, jparks@aceh.org.



Donations of items for move-in kits. See the <u>wish list</u> and drop off food and new household goods at 3427 E. Tudor Road, Suite A.



Thank you for your interest *in* NEXT STEP!

Everyone deserves a safe home. Learn more: <u>aceh.org/next-step</u>