

## City of Aurora Homeless Services

Housing and Community Services January 19, 2022



## Goal



## **Current Status- Homelessness**

**PIT Count: 2018:** 357 people

**2019:** 389 people

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**2020:** 427 people

**2021**: 594\* (sheltered) people

2022: PIT Count Conducted on Jan 25, 2022

Total Shelter Capacity (non-DV, non-cold weather):



130-150 beds

**Total Requests Related to People Sleeping Rough in the Community:** 



**2020:** 900 requests (approximately)

2021: 2,278 requests



## **Current Status- Affordable Housing**



7,500-8,500 too few affordable rental units



There are approximately **56,000 individuals** in the 0-30% AMI category (<\$25,000/year)



Over **2,155** Aurora households received emergency rental assistance between May 2020 and December 2021

# Current Services Supported with City Funding:

- Housing Navigation
- Case Management
- Legal Services
- Eviction Prevention
- Supportive Housing
- Safe Outdoor Spaces
- Housing Assistance

- Day Resource Center
- Shelter (DV, Regular)
- Street Outreach
- Social Detox
- Mental Health Services
- Substance Misuse Services

\*Please note, the city is not the provider of these services. We contract with local agencies to provide these services in the community. Part of all the contracts we execute require agencies to use HMIS.

\*There is an updated resource guide that I have provided to leadership



## Aurora Flexible Housing Fund:

**Purpose:** To remove financial barriers that households face to maintain or secure permanent housing in a high cost, low-vacancy rental market

Top 3 areas we assist with:

- 1. Rental Assistance
- 2. Deposit Assistance
- 3. Motel Assistance

In 2021, we assisted 303 households, which equals 871 people

**To apply**, ask for a case manager at one of our partner agencies: Aurora Day Resource Center, Colfax Community Network, Mosaic Church

## Aurora Mobile Response Team:

 The team pairs a mental health clinician from Aurora Mental Health with a paramedic from Falck Rocky Mountain

• They provide trauma-informed crisis intervention and de-escalation services on the scene to individuals experiencing a behavioral health crisis related to mental health, depression, homelessness, poverty, and/or substance use issues.

• This pilot runs until Mar. 12, 2022, the service will be available only in northwest Aurora. This six-month pilot program operates Wednesday through Saturday, 10

a.m. to 7 p.m.





## **Cold Weather Activation:**

## **Aurora Community Outreach Team (ACOT):**

- Team: Police, fire, a mental health clinician and street outreach professional
- Purpose: To reach out to rough sleepers in homeless encampments on cold weather nights- to encourage them to access shelter.
- Activation: Nights that reach 20 degrees Fahrenheit and below, or when there is precipitation & cold weather

## **Emergency Overflow Shelter:**

- Aurora Day Resource Center (ADRC)- 13387 E 19th Pl
  - Accommodates up to 75 individuals
  - Now- March 31- open on cold weather nights



## Safe Outdoor Spaces:

Salvation Army: 11701 E 33rd Ave, Aurora

-30 Pallet Shelters for up to 60 people

Restoration Christian Fellowship: 15660 E 6th Ave, Aurora

- -36 Safe Parking Spots (10 for people effected by the Fires)
- -25 Tents for up to 50 people

These 3 locations add an additional 80 spaces with the potential of sheltering 160 people (up to 2 people per unit).

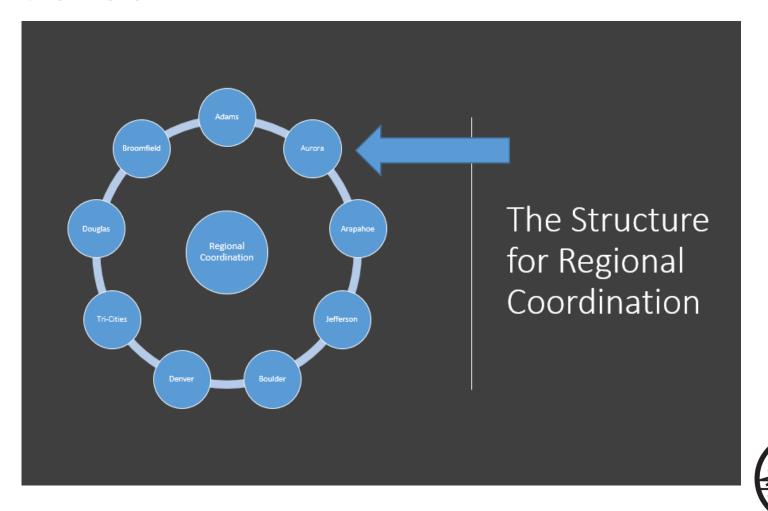






## Regional Collaboration:

### **Built for Zero**



## Aurora & Regional Collaboration:

Aurora is one of the 9 designated partners in the MDHI regional collaborative effort.

### The framework includes:

**Built for Zero:** Proving it is possible to measurably end homelessness, one population at a time

## We currently host:

- Bi-monthly case conferencing meetings (focusing on veterans)
- Bi-monthly outreach collaborative meetings and
- Monthly homeless coordination team meetings

\*These efforts feedback to MDHI to complete the communication amongst the other 8 partners.



## Comments & Questions



## **Contact Information:**

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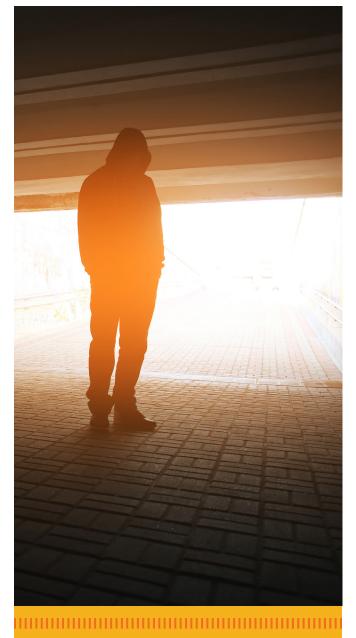
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## EVERYONE DESERVES A SAFE, WARM PLACE TO SLEEP.

The city of Aurora
is committed to
preventing and
ending homelessness
by connecting those
without shelter to
resources, support, and
services to help them
regain stability and
improve well-being.





#### **CONTACT US:**

- homelessness@auroragov.org
- Access Aurora 303.739.7000

LAST UPDATED: DECEMBER 2021

## HOMELESS SERVICES RESOURCE GUIDE



AuroraGov.org/Homelessness



## **EMERGENCY SHELTER**

#### COMITIS CRISIS CENTER

Adult shelter, family shelter, veterans bridge housing, street outreach and more.

- Lottery Line: 720.505.2628
- 2178 Victor St.

### AURORA WARMS THE NIGHT

Short-term motel sheltering Walk-in hours:

Mon.-Wed.: 11 a.m.-1 p.m. Tue. - Thur.: 2 p.m.-4 p.m.

- 303.343.0537
- 9360 E. Colfax Ave.
- AuroraWarmsTheNight.org

#### SALVATION ARMY SAFE OUTDOOR SPACE

Temporary individualized sheltering offering case management, meals, showers and more.

- 303.866.9273
- 11701 E. 33rd Ave.

#### COLORADO SAFE PARKING INITIATIVE

Safe parking for people living out of their vehicles

ColoSafeParking.org

#### URBAN PEAK-DENVER

For youth ages 15-21

- 303.777.9198
- 1630 S. Acoma St., Denver

#### GATEWAY DOMESTIC VIOLENCE SERVICES

Shelter for victims of domestic violence

- 303.343.1851
- GatewayShelter.org

#### **DAY SHELTER**

#### AURORA DAY RESOURCE CENTER

Meals, clothing, showers, computer center, employment services, laundry, case management, mental health services, medical care, mail, ID's and more.

Open seven days a week:
7:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m.

- 303.341.9160
- 13387 E. 19th Pl.

#### COLFAX COMMUNITY NETWORK

Programs for families and individuals experiencing homelessness

- 303.360.0627
- 1585 Kingston St.





## FOOD PANTRIES AND MEALS

### FRIENDS OF ST. ANDREW

Mon.- Fri.: 10:15 a.m.-1:15 p.m.

- 303.364.2329
- 1525 Dallas St.

### AURORA DAY RESOURCE CENTER

- 303.343.7808
- 13387 E. 19th Place

### LITTLE FLOWER CENTER

Mon., Wed., Thu.: 9:30 a.m.-3 p.m.

- 303.360.9686
- 11149 E. 14th Ave.

#### METRO CARING FOOD PANTRY

Make an appointment by phone at 303.860.7200. Mon.-Fri.: 9:30-11:30 a.m. 12:30-2:30 p.m.

Tue.: 6-7:30 p.m.

• 1100 E. 18th Ave., Denver



#### RE-ENTRY SERVICES

### SECOND CHANCE CENTER

Helping formerly incarcerated men and women transition to lives of success and fulfillment

- 303.537.5838
- 9722 E. 16th Ave.

### BPB FLOYD HOUSE INC.

Make an appointment by phone at 720.668.6540

### EMPOWERMENT PROGRAM

- 303.320.1989
- 1600 York St., Denver

#### VETERANS SERVICES

### HOMES FOR ALL VETERANS

• 855.838.7428

#### DENVER VA COMMUNITY RESOURCE AND REFERRAL CENTER

Providing outreach and concrete services to veterans who are homeless in the metro area

- 720.501.3367
- 3836 York St., Denver

#### VETERANS CRISIS LINE

• 800.273.8255



#### **EMPLOYMENT**

#### AURORA WORKFORCE CENTER

- 303.636.1160
- 15400 E. 14th Pl., Aurora

#### ARAPAHOE/DOUGLAS WORKS

- 303.636.1160
- 6974 S. Lima St., Centennial

### ADAMS COUNTY WORKFORCE CENTER

- 303.375.2980
- 3155 Chambers Rd C, Aurora

#### **BAYAUD INDUSTRIES**

- 303.830.6885
- 333 W. Bayaud Ave., Denver

#### READY TO WORK AURORA

- 720.204.1100
- 3176 S. Peoria Court

## ADDITIONAL IMPORTANT RESOURCES

AURORA POLICE NON-EMGERENCY LINE

• 303.627.3100

### COLORADO CRISIS & SUPPORT HOTLINE

• 844.493.8255

### **EAST METRO DETOX & RECOVERY SERVICES**

- 303.923.6888
- 1290 S. Potomac St.

#### CCS WALK-IN CRISIS SERVICES

- 844.493.8255
- 2206 Victor St.

#### MILE HIGH UNITED WAY

• 211

#### PUBLIC SHARPS DISPOSAL

• MLK Library, 9898 E Colfax Ave, Aurora

#### RTD BUS AND RAIL INFORMATION

• 303.299.6000

### ARAPAHOE COUNTY HUMAN SERVICES

- 303.636.1130
- 14980 E. Alameda Drive

### ADAMS COUNTY HUMAN SERVICES

- 303.375.2980
- 3155 Chambers Rd. C, Aurora

### SOCIAL SECURITY OFFICE

- 800.772.1213
- 14280 E. Jewell Ave.

#### METRO CARING

Assistance with IDs and birth certificates

• 303.860.7200

### AURORA PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Each APS school has a homeless liaison & family advocate

303.344.8060

#### CHERRY CREEK SCHOOL DISTRICT

Each Cherry Creek school has a homeless liaison

• 303.773.1184

