

New London County Fund to End Homelessness



United Way
of Southeastern Connecticut

The New London County Fund to End Homelessness focuses on rapidly rehousing individuals and families who are experiencing homelessness as well as keeping those who are at risk of homelessness in their current housing without ever having to enter shelter. The goals are to reduce the length of time individuals and families stay in shelter, reduce new episodes of homelessness, and reduce return entries into homelessness.



Families and individuals experiencing homelessness or are struggling with losing their housing face many barriers. The first call for help is to United Way 2-1-1 where a Housing Specialist will determine if someone is either homeless or imminently homeless.



2-1-1

The individual or family is referred to southeastern Connecticut's Coordinated Access Network for an intake appointment where all possible alternatives to shelter are explored. United Way is the administrator of the program. Direct housing and supportive services are provided by 5 area organizations:

Thames Valley Council
for Community Action
(TVCCA)

Always Home

Covenant Shelter

New London Homeless
Hospitality Center

Norwich
Human Services

Service providers work on the premise that shelter should be used as a last resort. This may involve mediation with a family or landlord, problem-solving guidance, connection to community resources, and financial assistance for past-due rent, security deposit, or similar costs.



If you need help, dial 2-1-1 24/7 for free from anywhere in Connecticut.

United Way has been involved in collaborative efforts to end homelessness in New London County since the creation of New London County's Ten Year Plan to End Homelessness in 2006. Since then, the commitment of United Way has grown, providing ongoing support to the New London County Fund to End Homelessness, the 100 Day Challenge and the Partnership to End Homelessness of Southeastern Connecticut.