

# DuPage County Community Services Department

## Leadership Committee

Oversees the Continuum, coordinates the Plan to End Homelessness and development of services, establishes policies, oversees the work of each committee, and approves all new members. Is authorized to make all final decisions pertaining to pursuit, contract, and allocation of funds; and the designation of the Lead Organization. The Leadership Committee manages Continuum wide communications. Members are the lead organization, the five standing committee chairs (excluding Appeals) and at least five (5) but no more than ten (10) at-large Continuum members.

## Affordable Housing Partners

Including Housing Action Coalitions and affordable housing advocates who partner with the DuPage County Continuum of Care to ensure that all persons have access to housing.

### Community Outreach Committee

Oversees membership and builds inclusiveness, Promotes community awareness of homelessness and support of a Plan to End Homelessness, promotes discharge policies that prevent homelessness, seeks to increase enrollment in mainstream benefits and increase income through employment benefits, and promotes outreach and engagement of unsheltered homeless persons.

### Grants/Funding

Implements ranking criteria, application procedures, and funding recommendations for homeless grant opportunities including but not limited to: the HUD Continuum grants, state and federal Homeless Prevention funds, and DuPage County Community Development Block Grants

### HMIS Policy

Develops, maintains, and updates the homeless information system including development and implementation of data protocols, reporting, policies, and problem solving measures. The committee also provides support to agency users.

### Needs Assessment

Identifies and prioritizes local service gaps and needs, implements the sheltered and unsheltered homeless count procedures, collects data, and recommends priorities for the use of resources.

### Homeless Prevention Providers

Efficient and effective disbursement of homeless prevention funds through a coordinated strategy and set of procedures for maximum benefit.

### Appeals

Resolves appeals made regarding decisions made by the Continuum. Members consist of the Vice Chairs of the Community Outreach Committee, the Grants/Funding Committee, and the Needs Assessment Committee.