

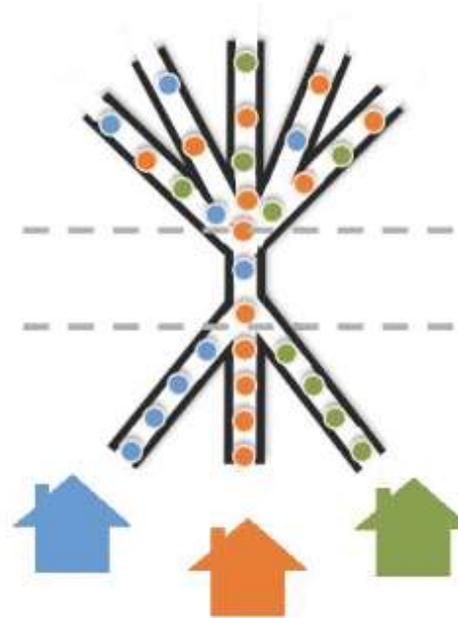
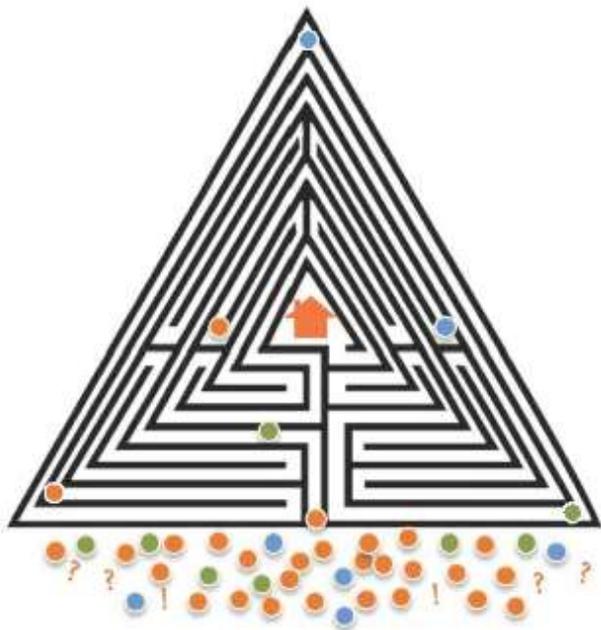


Ending Community Homelessness Coalition

What is ECHO?

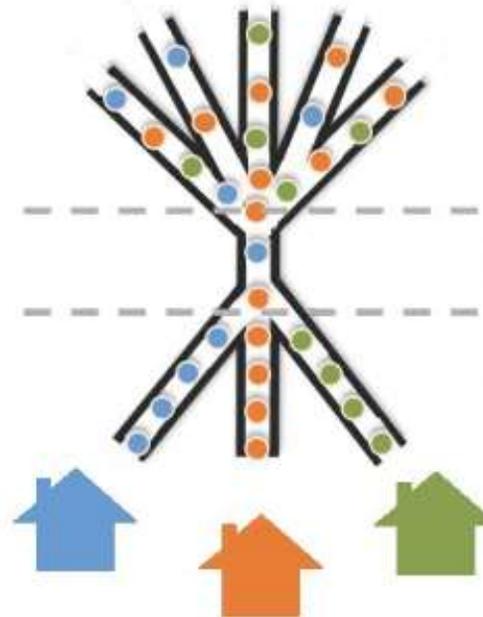
- ▶ Ending Community Homelessness Coalition
- ▶ Lead agency for the Austin/Travis County Continuum of Care (CoC)
- ▶ You may know us from:
 - ▶ Annual Point in Time Count
 - ▶ NOFA Applications
 - ▶ Homeless Management Information System (HMIS, or ServicePoint)
 - ▶ Coordinated Entry/Coordinated Assessment

What is Coordinated Entry?



Coordinated Entry

- ▶ **Common Access**
 - ▶ No Wrong Door approach
- ▶ **Common Assessment**
 - ▶ Eligibility and Vulnerability
- ▶ **Common Assignment**
 - ▶ Prioritization and Referrals



What are the principles behind Coordinated Entry?

- ▶ Housing First - Housing is a basic human right, not a privilege or a reward for good behavior.
- ▶ Client Choice - Clients are the expert on their own experiences and needs, and most people experiencing homelessness today do NOT want to be homeless.
- ▶ Human Dignity - All people deserve to be treated with respect, empathy, and personal autonomy, regardless of past or current behavior.
- ▶ Equity - Systematic privilege is real and pervasive, and we must take affirmative steps in systems design and implementation to achieve equitable outcomes for groups who are systematically oppressed.

DACC Participation

▶ Common Access

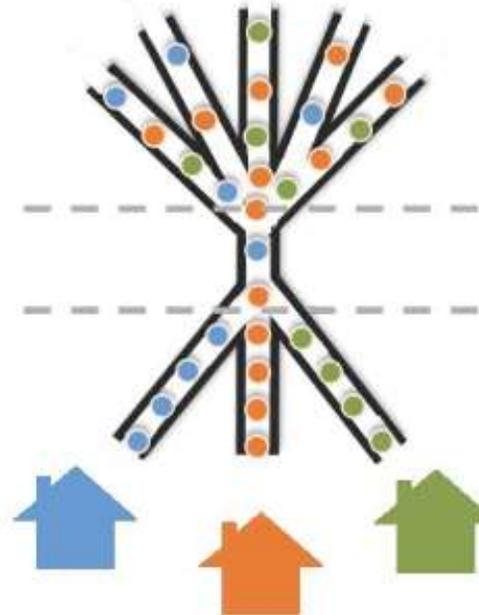
- ▶ Targeted engagement and trained assessors (both stand-alone and in partnership with HOST)

▶ Common Assessment

- ▶ Coordinates AHAC feedback on systems development
- ▶ Navigation services for clients who need documentation or engagement assistance

▶ Common Assignment

- ▶ DACC ESG RRH programs
- ▶ DACC PSH does not participate, but CM's do support clients served by other programs (such as CoC PSH)



Evaluations and Equity

- ▶ System Performance Measures

- ▶ Successful Referrals/Enrollments
- ▶ Exits to Housing
- ▶ Housing Retention

- ▶ Equity Analyses

- ▶ Equity in Assessment and Assignment
- ▶ Equity in Enrollments and Exits

- ▶ Past and Current Steps

- ▶ VI-SPDAT V1 and V2 Analyses

- ▶ Affirmative Access
- ▶ Increased Reliability
- ▶ New Version Adoptions

- ▶ Equity Task Group

- ▶ Analysis of 17 individual existing prioritization factors
- ▶ Adoption of 8 new factors in July
- ▶ Further exploration of all 25 factors

Additional Questions?

- ▶ The most recent assessment access information can always be found at www.austinecho.org/ca
- ▶ I can also always be reached for questions at prestonpetty@austinecho.org
- ▶ THANK YOU for your time and work.