

Governor's Summit on Housing for the Homeless
SECOND NOTICE

We are sending this second notice about the Governor's Summit for four reasons:

1. To remind you that lunch will not be provided at the Summit. If you would like to purchase lunch in the statehouse cafeteria, please rsvp to Diane Nealy at diane.nealy@ahs.state.vt.us to ensure the cafeteria will be prepared to handle the number of requests. Please RSVP by May 30th.

You may bring your own lunch or visit one of the nearby restaurants.

2. Six proposals for changes in how we address homelessness will be presented at the Summit. Each attendee will have the opportunity to participate in work sessions on two of the six proposals. We will ask that when you register that morning to select which two sessions you would prefer to attend so we can use the larger rooms in the statehouse for the work sessions with the highest expected attendance.

The workgroups that will be presenting their proposals are:

- Security Deposit Guarantee/Risk Pool
- State-Subsidized Rental Subsidies
- Specialized Housing Options
- Increasing Permanent Housing Options
- AHS Housing Policy
- Access: Barriers to Housing

We are posting the proposals on the AHS Website. The proposals that are being posted were the most recent as of May 9th and are subject to change. We will have the final versions posted by the time of the summit.

3. The Summit is intended to address major concerns that impact Vermont's ability to successfully address homelessness, and evaluate new approaches in how we do business. We recognize that there are other discussions that must happen soon about the best use of state funds appropriated to combat homelessness, but those discussions will happen on a separate track and will not be addressed at the Summit.

4. Following is the agenda so far:

9:00 – 9:30 – opening remarks, and introduction to the day, with remarks by Governor Peter Shumlin

9:30 – 10:40 presentation of three of the six proposals emanating from the six work groups

10:40- 11:00 break

11:00 – 12:00 presentations of the other three proposals

While the intent is not to take questions during the presentations, we will ask participants to write questions that can be shared during the afternoon sessions.

12:00 – 1:00 lunch on your own

1:00 – 1:50 first work session, in which participants can discuss and comment on the proposals.

2:00 – 2:50 second work session

3:00 – 4:00 Governor Shumlin joins us to hear the results of the work groups discussions and give us a charge for next steps

Thanks and we look forward to seeing you at the Summit.