



NATIONAL LOW INCOME
HOUSING COALITION

Coronavirus and Housing/Homelessness

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Agenda



Guest Speaker

- Senator Mazie Hirono (D-HI)

Congressional Action on Next Emergency Spending Bill

- Sarah Saadian, NLIHC
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- Allison Bovell-Ammon, Children's HealthWatch
- Emma Mehrabi, Children's Defense Fund

Field Updates

- Rachel Stucker, Housing Alliance Delaware
- Kate Watson, Kansas Statewide Homeless Coalition
- Thomas Adams, PhD, CommonBond Communities

Next Steps

Welcome & Overview



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Guest Speaker



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Congressional Action on the Next Emergency Spending Bill: Update from Capitol Hill



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Congressional Action on the Next Emergency Spending Bill: Needed Advocacy



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Congressional Action on the Next Emergency Spending Bill: Communications Updates, Tools and Tactics



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Advocacy Spotlight



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Who We Are

COMMUNITY SOLUTIONS

deploys the best problem solving tools from multiple sectors to help communities **end homelessness** **and the conditions that create it.**



Built for Zero

More than 80 communities working to end
homelessness

Dipping Toe into Advocacy

- New to advocacy sector
- Work with Continuums of Care (CoC)
- Community partners requested interest in advocacy efforts
- Start with easier “asks”

Started with Federal Advocacy

- Leverage strength of deep community connections
- Highly targeted and strategic
- Organized virtual lobby day meetings with:
 - Senator Gardner (CO)
 - Senator Tillis (NC)
 - Senator Ernst (IA)
 - Senator McSally (AZ)

Advocacy Resources

- Advocacy web page
- Action alerts
- Fact sheets
- Sample emails and phone scripts
- Training and prep
- Follow up

Thank You!

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Housing is health: A renewed call for federal housing investments in affordable housing for families with children

[Allison Bovell-Ammon, MDiv](#)   • [Diane Yentel, MSW](#)  • [Mike Koprowski, MA, Ed.M](#)  •
[Chantelle Wilkinson, MPA](#)  • [Megan Sandel, MD, MPH](#) 

Housing As A Prescription For Health, Now And In The Future

Allison Bovell-Ammon, Megan Sandel, Thea James

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Homelessness, Children, and COVID-19: A Looming Crisis

Catherine G. Coughlin, MD,^{1,3} Megan Sandel, MD, MPH,⁴ Amanda M. Stewart, MD, MPH⁵

An Emergency Policy Response to the Coronavirus (COVID-19)

NATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES TO ADDRESS THE NEEDS OF FAMILIES WITH YOUNG CHILDREN AND PROMOTE EQUITY AMID PUBLIC HEALTH AND ECONOMIC CRISES



**FINANCIAL
STABILITY**



**NUTRITION
ASSISTANCE**



HOUSING



**FAMILY
HEALTH &
WELL-BEING
SUPPORTS**

<https://childrenshealthwatch.org/covidfederal/>



JOIN US FOR A VIRTUAL TOWN HALL

The Second Wave: The Racially Inequitable Housing Crisis

Tuesday, August 4, 2020
10:00AM-11:15AM EST

COVID-19 has exposed the nation's chronic housing crisis, one that is mired in structural racism that impacts Black people and exacerbates racial health disparities. Come learn how equity-centered policies can mitigate the looming 'wave' of large-scale evictions during the pandemic, address pre-COVID inequities that have kept many Black families from being stably housed, and why they matter for health equity.

This is part of our year long series on equity, why it matters, and what a truly equitable society would look like.

To register for this virtual town hall, please go to <https://bit.ly/2Zz27Rf>



MEET THE SPEAKERS FOR OUR TOWN HALL



Lisa Owens
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City Life/Vida Urbana



Karen Charles Peterson
Commissioner of the Department of
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Commonwealth of Massachusetts
Children's HealthWatch Advisory Board
MODERATOR



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Congress

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Local Updates