NATIONAL LOW INCOME HOUSING COALITION

NLIHC's National Call: Advancing Long-Term Housing Solutions

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Welcome & Overview

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Agenda

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- Brooke Schipporeit, Senior Director for Field Strategy & Innovation, NLIHC

NLIHC Policy Update

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2026 Midterms & Federal Housing

- **“Affordability and Accountability”**
  - Voters ranked “affordability” as their top issue.
  - 9 in 10 cited “corruption” as pivotal to their vote.
  - More than half are worried about their or a loved one’s ability to pay for housing.

- **The Lame Duck**
  - The current Continuing Resolution expires December 11th.
  - NLIHC urges Congress to block the Trump Administration’s “Regulation for Federal Financial Assistance.”

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Results of the 2026 Midterms & Implications for Federal Housing Programs

1. **The Election Results and the New Congressional Landscape**
2. **The Lame Duck Period: Immediate Funding and Program Priorities**
   Congress in session from November 9- November 20, breaks for Thanksgiving, and then returns from November 30th -December 18th .
3. **Congressional Oversight and Protecting Federal Housing Programs**
   Investigating the Administration's housing policies, bringing greater attention to their impacts on families and communities, and identifying opportunities to protect existing assistance.
4. **Housing Legislation and Opportunities for the Next Congress**

Protecting HUD's Continuum of Care Program

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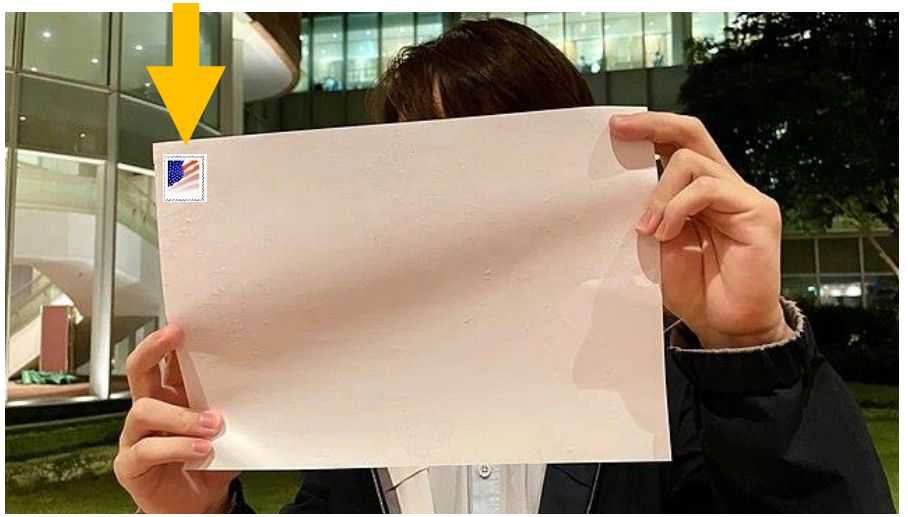
Homelessness in Alaska

alaskahousing-homeless.org

Providing Services in Alaska



If Alaska is a sheet of paper, this is about how much of it you can drive to



AK Rural Reality – Where are the services?

- Cost of living among highest in country
- Building cost challenges
- Housing infrastructure challenges
- Subsistence lifestyle
- Alaska's healthcare system operates on a hub and spoke model
    - Limited availability of BH and MH treatment in rural Alaska

Highest Overcrowding Rates in the Country



One-bedroom house, 12 people live here (4 people sleep in the kitchen)



14 people live in this house

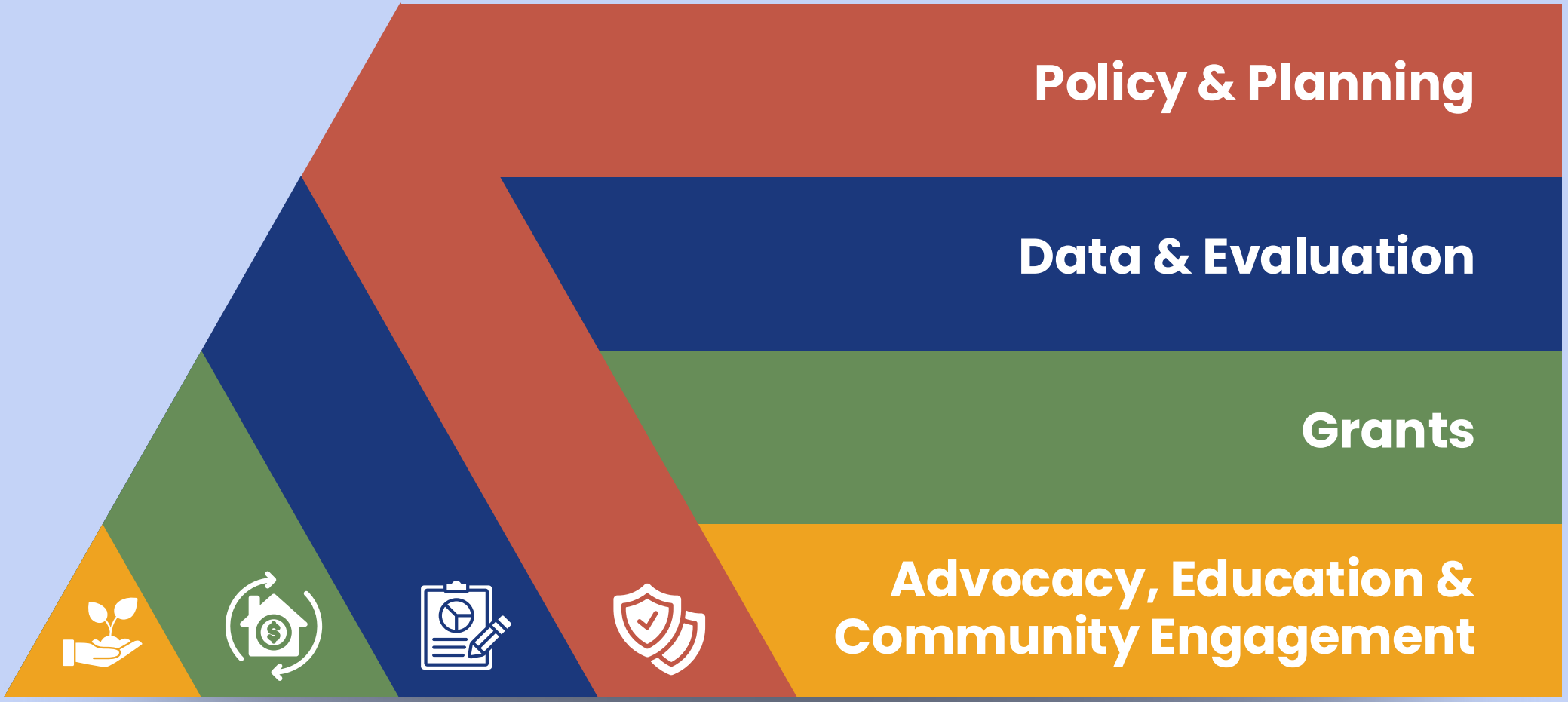
Permanent Housing Became Vulnerable

- Reduced funding reliability/certainty for existing programs
- Potential loss of housing assistance clients
- Few, if any, alternative housing resources available in rural communities
- CoC is often only homelessness program in community
- Years of planning, investment, trust compromised

Instability Has a Real Cost

- Multiple NOFO Releases, withdrawals, court actions, and shifting deadlines
- Repeated project redesign and application preparation
- Limited staff capacity diverted from system coordination and direct services
    - Disproportionate burden on small, rural orgs

WHAT DO WE DO?


Policy & Planning
Data & Evaluation
Grants
Advocacy, Education & Community Engagement

Approach to Advocacy

- We don't get to choose who we work with
  - Approach should meet delegation where they're at
  - Find similarities and common ground…go from there
- Break policy down into what works for CoC before talking about what doesn't work
- Work around the margins
- Objectivity, data-driven communication
- "We are on the same team"

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Contact your members of Congress
urging them to pass a final spending bill for FY27 with NLIHC's priorities:
→ https://nlihc.quorum.us/campaign/qxjxfpqg/

Join the Movement!

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Who?

- NLIHC Membership is for **individuals** and **organizations**, and includes a wide spectrum of advocates

Why?

- Build connections with advocates nationwide
- Access advocacy support and training
- Strengthen the housing justice movement
- Receive other exclusive benefits

What are the Dues?

- Members can join or renew at **any amount** that is affordable to them

Questions?

- membership@nlihc.org or 202-662-1530 x206

www.nlihc.org/membership

Continue the Conversation

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Join our next National Call:

Tuesday, December 8

4:00-5:00 pm ET

NLIHC's National Calls are now monthly!

Second Tuesday of the Month at 4pm ET