Creating a Housing Crisis Resolution System

At Focus Strategies we believe that in the United States people living on the streets and in shelters is an unnecessary tragedy. Even with growing income inequality, poverty and high housing costs, no one has to be without a place to live for more than 30 days. We believe this based on the growing evidence from around the country and our own work which shows that with a reorientation of approach and resources, we can effectively end homelessness in our communities.

To do this, every community needs to shift from providing programs and services for homeless people to creating and operating a Housing Crisis Resolution System. To assist with this process, we have developed a series of brief papers outlining what to do and how to do it.

Part 1: The Vision – Why Create a Housing Crisis Resolution System
Part 2: What is a Housing Crisis Resolution System?
Part 3: Process Steps to Create a Housing Crisis Resolution System
Part 4: What About HUD? Crosswalk of CoC/ESG Requirements with HCRS
Part 5: Coordinated Entry in a Housing Crisis Resolution System