

# all Chicago

making homelessness history

Did you know that World Homelessness Day is on October 10th?

World Homelessness Day's purpose is to draw attention to people experiencing homelessness and their needs. Join us by wearing a blue ribbon to show your support of all Chicagoans having a place to call home.



How does All Chicago prevent and end homelessness?

We prevent and end homelessness through emergency financial assistance, community partnerships, data analytics, and training and research. Our work positively **impacts approximately 10,000 households annually**. Learn more about how you can partner with us at [www.allchicago.org/get-involved](http://www.allchicago.org/get-involved).

What should I say when people ask me about my ribbon?



Good news, we know how to end homelessness.

Since 2015, **homelessness in Chicago has decreased by 17%**, but we need everyone's help to keep this momentum up!



On any given night, **nearly 5,700 Chicagoans don't have a place to call home**. Tens of thousands of our neighbors are on the brink, living paycheck to paycheck, just one unexpected setback away from becoming homeless.



**Nearly 300,000 Chicagoans live in extreme poverty**. These Chicagoans face poor-quality housing, resource deprived schools, limited job access, and other challenges, all of which significantly and negatively impact their physical and mental health.



The necessary wage to maintain fair market rate 2 bedroom housing in Chicago is \$23.69 per hour, **yet a minimum wage worker in Chicago earns a wage of \$11.00**.



Households receiving one-time, financial assistance through emergency fund programs are **65% less likely to enroll at a homeless shelter** in the next six months than households that did not receive assistance.

Let's **#endhomelessness** together

To learn more about our work, please visit [www.allchicago.org](http://www.allchicago.org).