



Office Hours: COVID-19 Planning and Response

November 20, 2020



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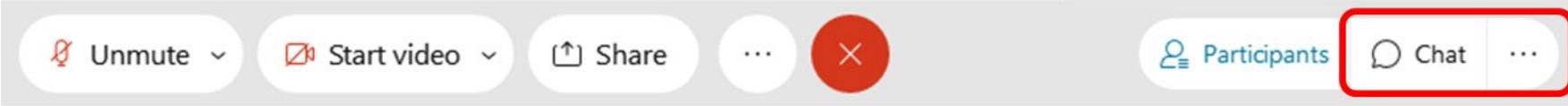
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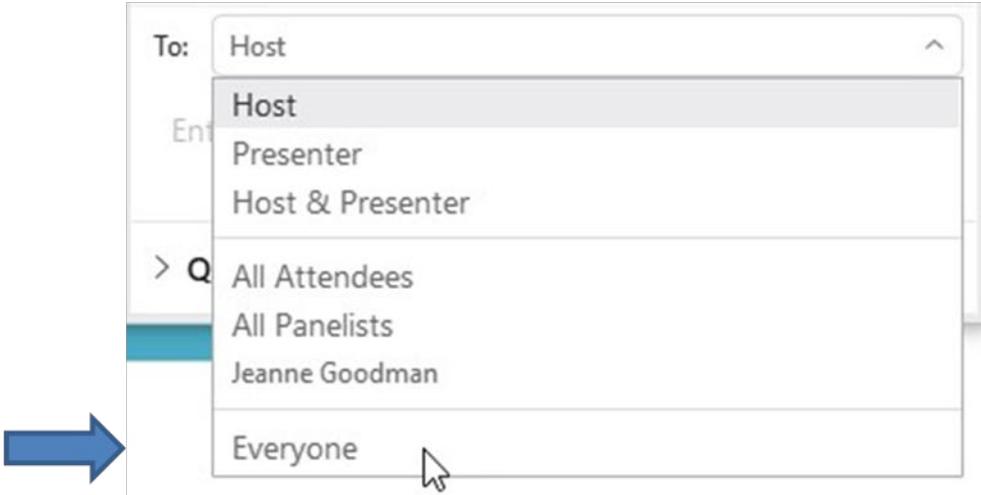


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- Office of Special Needs Assistance Programs
 - Norm Suchar
 - Karen DeBlasio
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 - Marlisa Grogan
 - Ebony Rankin
 - Sharon Singer
 - William Snow
- Taylor Kiely, CPD Representative, Chicago Field Office
- David Canavan, HUD TA, Canavan Associates
- Christy Hahn, HUD TA, Collaborative Solutions

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Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

- Emily Mosites, PhD MPH- COVID-19 At-Risk Population Task Force, Senior Advisor on Health and Homelessness

National Healthcare for the Homeless Council

- Barbara DiPietro, PhD, Senior Director of Policy

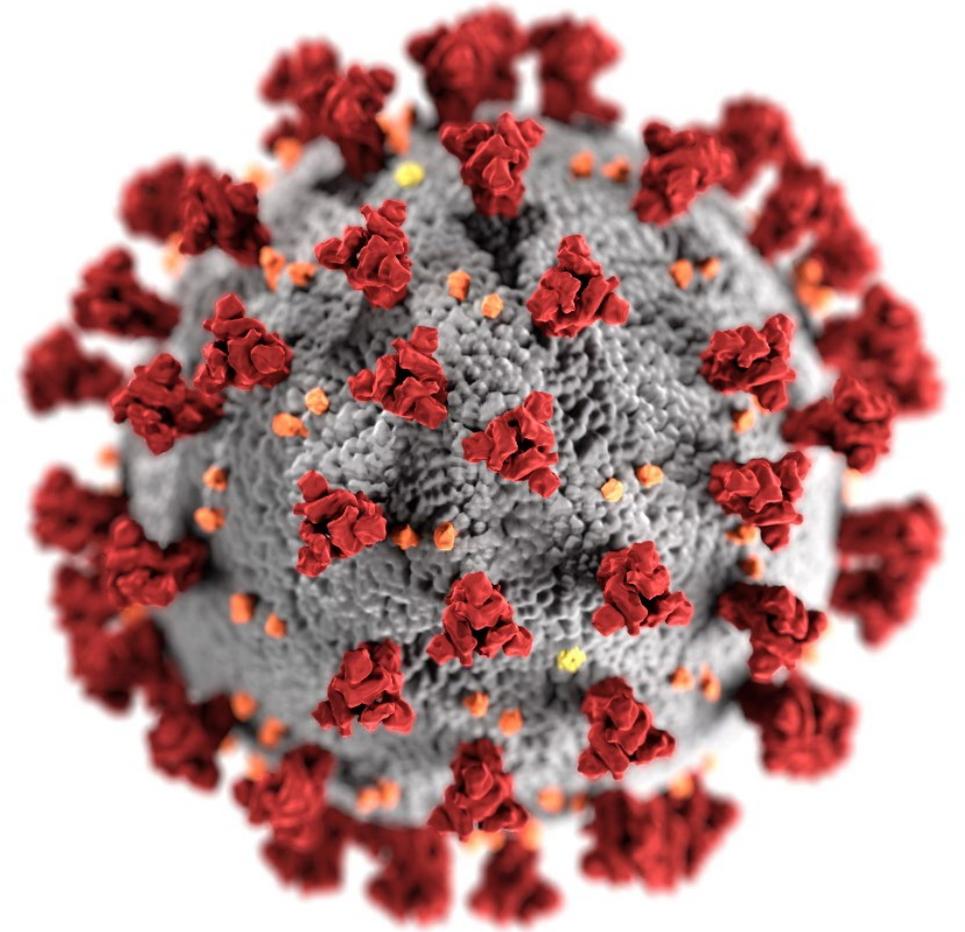
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- Jillian Weber, PhD, RN, CNL, Homeless-PACT National Program Manager, VHA Homeless Program Office

COVID-19 and Homelessness

Updates

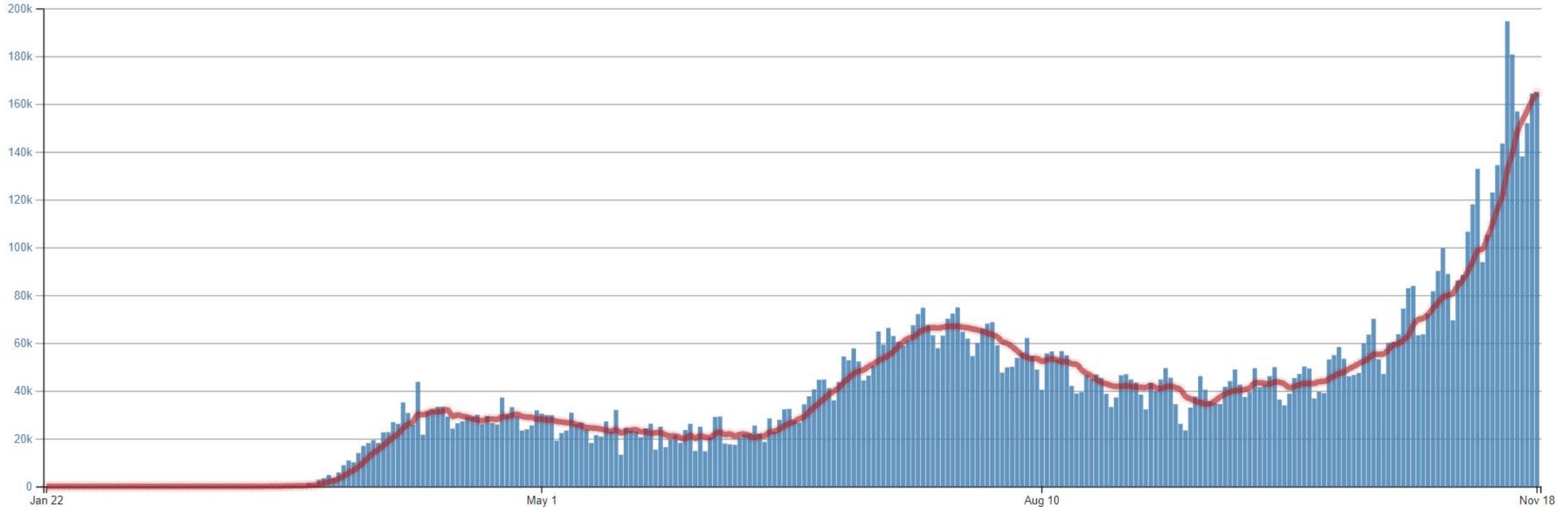
Homelessness Unit
Disproportionately Affected Populations Team
CDC COVID-19 Response



cdc.gov/coronavirus

11.5 million cases reported in the United States*

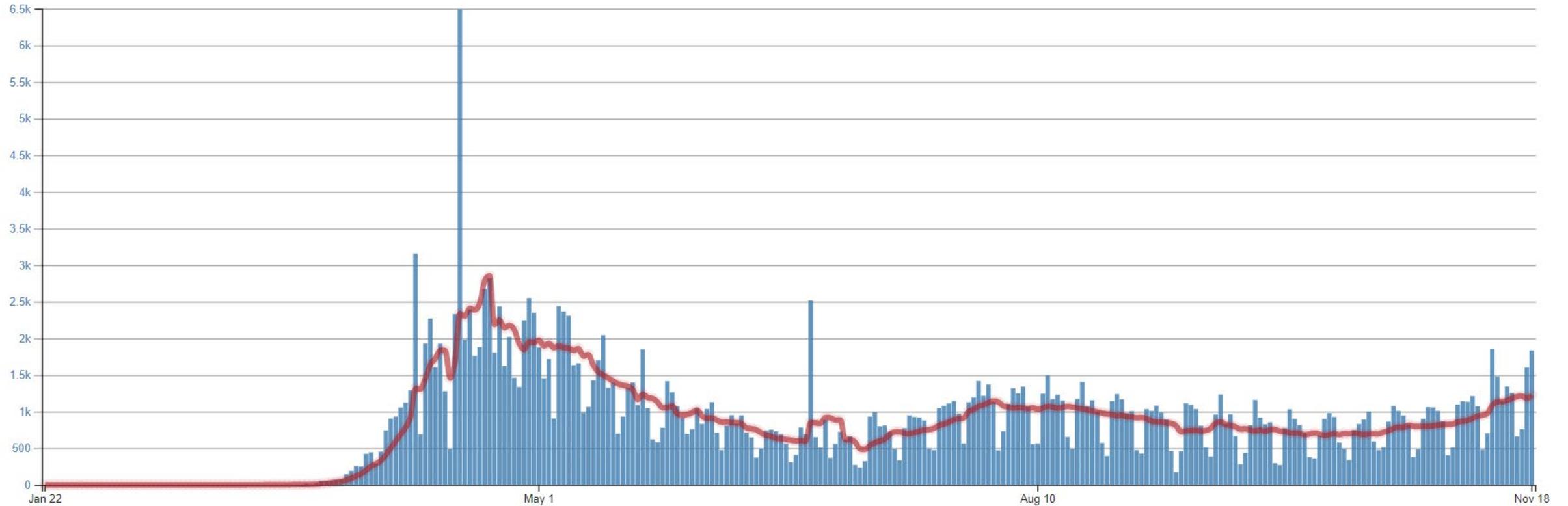
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*as of 11/18/20

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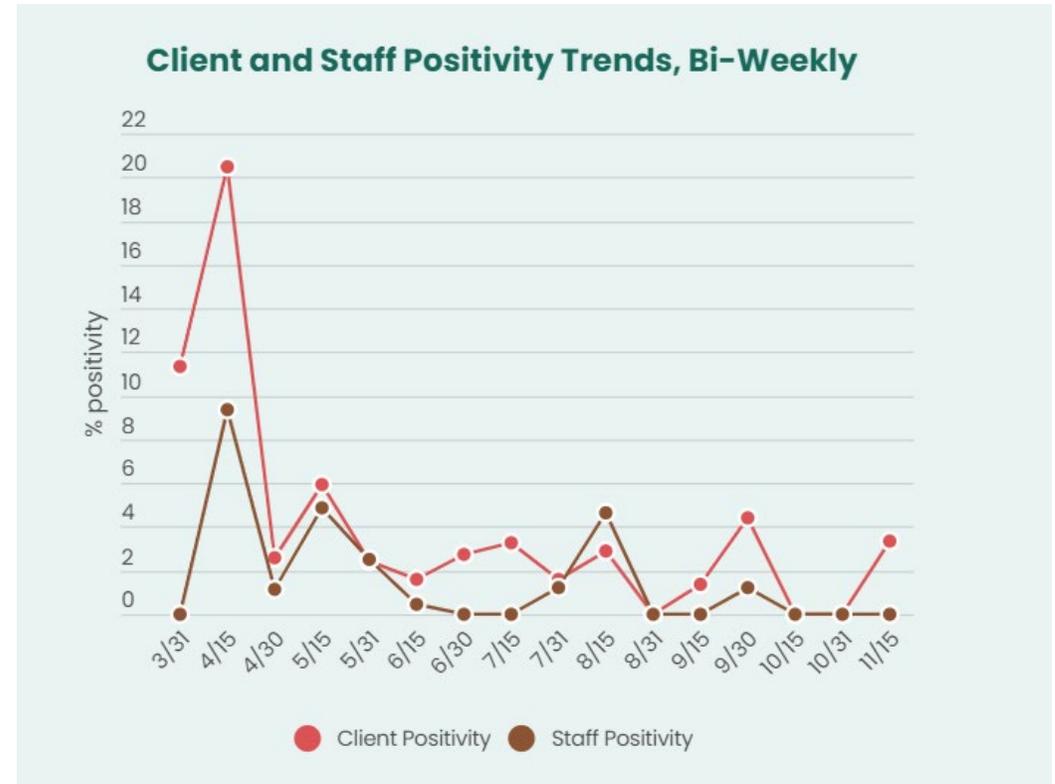
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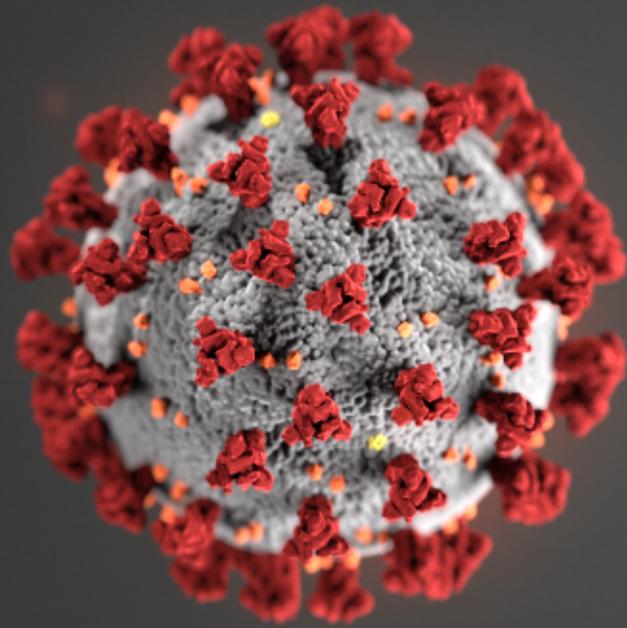


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Universal testing data dashboard

updated 11/18/20





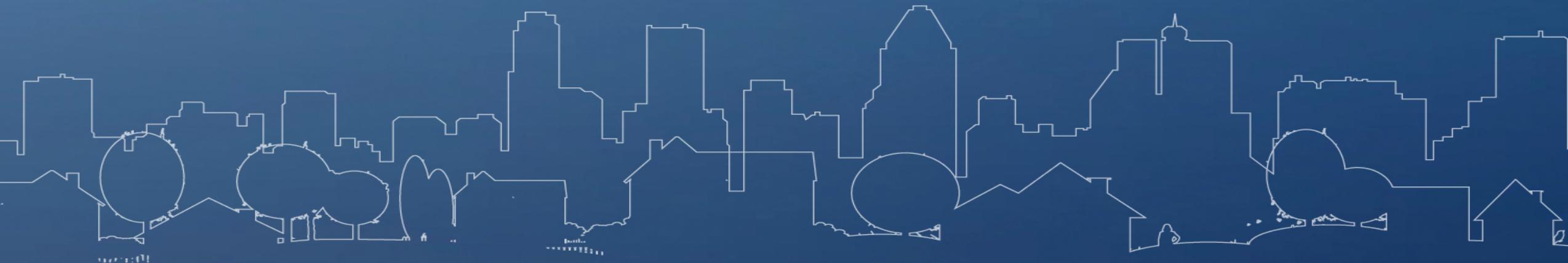
For more information, contact CDC
1-800-CDC-INFO (232-4636)
TTY: 1-888-232-6348 www.cdc.gov

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HUD TA RESOURCE SPOTLIGHT

- Holistic Investment Planning for Rural Communities



Holistic Investment Planning for State ESG Entitlements and BoS CoCs

- Rural communities face increased challenges to equitable homeless services delivery during COVID-19
- The need to coordinate across partners and develop new partnerships is critical
- A community investment plan should be informed by BIPOC and people with lived expertise of homelessness
- Resources should be targeted to individuals and families most impacted by homelessness and COVID-19

Consider All Available Resources

- A coordinated investment strategy should include ongoing and COVID resources
 - Use the [NAEH Framework for COVID-19 Homelessness Response](#) for reference
- ESG Entitlement and CoC partnership is more critical than ever
- ESG state recipients and BoS CoCs should form partnerships with the agencies that oversee COVID and mainstream funds to identify additional funding opportunities for local communities across the geography

Use Data to Inform Your Funding Strategy

- Use your data to establish or re-prioritize homelessness needs at this point in the pandemic
 - Try to get as granular as possible
- Establish what metrics you will use to evaluate COVID impacts
 - consider new sources such as CDC or employment sources
- Use CE and PIT data disaggregated by race to coalesce homelessness and COVID data
- Engage stakeholders who have been historically disenfranchised to inform the current landscape
- Adjust goals for ESG-CV funds to specific interventions and establish the number of households that will be moved out of homelessness

Establish and Enhance Relationships for Program Design and Service Delivery

- ESG recipients should partner with the CoC(s) in the ESG jurisdiction to align program and service delivery goals.
 - Coordinate rehousing efforts and CE prioritization
- ESG recipients and CoCs can help coordinate stakeholders. Ideas include:
 - Setting up a service provider peer network
 - Facilitating learning opportunities or formal partnerships between large and small service providers to increase organizational capacity and equitable outreach and service coverage
 - Make connections to allow larger organizations to serve as mentors to new ESG subrecipients or as a financial intermediary to agencies providing on the ground services

Get Creative with Your Funding Strategies

- Many communities are receiving substantially more funding than ever before and are trying to cover large geographies.
- Engage with a wide range of stakeholders to inform your coordinated investment plan.
- Take advantage of the regional planning structure if your BoS or statewide CoC has one.
- Coordinate with other ESG Entitlements within the state.
- Establish and strengthen relationships with both large and small partner organizations as potential subrecipients of ESG-CV funds.



IRS extends the deadline for people who don't normally file taxes to sign up for an Economic Impact Payment

Register by

NOVEMBER 21

www.irs.gov/eipnonfiler

New Resources Posted

- [Serving Survivors through Coordinated Entry](#)

Key Websites

HUD: <https://www.hudexchange.info/homelessness-assistance/diseases/infectious-disease-prevention-response/>

CDC: <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/community/homeless-shelters/index.html>

NHCHC: <https://nhchc.org/clinical-practice/diseases-and-conditions/influenza/>

USICH: <https://www.usich.gov/tools-for-action/coronavirus-covid-19-resources/>

VA: <https://www.publichealth.va.gov/n-coronavirus/index.asp>

HRSA: <https://bphc.hrsa.gov/emergency-response/coronavirus-frequently-asked-questions.html>

Federal Partner Contacts

For additional information or assistance, contact:

- Centers for Disease Control and Prevention:
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- Department of Housing and Urban Development:
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Q & A

