



**Welcome to the Funders Network for Youth Success newsletter!** Here we share various ways you can connect and learn alongside your Funders Network for Youth Success colleagues investing in solutions to end youth homelessness.

## Youth Homelessness Resources

### **Preventing Youth Homelessness: What Interests Funders?**

The [Funders Network for Youth Success](#) gathered on April 18 to discuss a focus on prevention work, what members are currently funding related to youth homelessness, and what the network should explore. Themes included:

- How do we support **college students** who are struggling to pay rent to keep their housing and finish their degrees?
- What is the role of the juvenile legal system in preventing youth homelessness? How do we connect the movement to end **youth incarceration** with prevention interventions?
- How do we demonstrate the effectiveness of prevention interventions so that public agencies will take over funding them? How do we scale up these interventions through **public investment**?
- How do we support the unique needs of **LGBTQIA+ young people** who are at risk of losing their housing?

FNYS members will grapple with these questions and more in the coming months. In the meantime, funders are encouraged to explore [5 Opportunities for Co-Funding National Prevention Strategies](#). Learn more [here](#)

### **Join the Funders Network for Youth Success Leadership Committee**

The [Funders Network for Youth Success](#) leadership committee convenes every other month and provides high-level oversight over Funders Together's youth programming, steers content and learning, and serves as a roundtable for strategy and collaboration. Additionally, the FNYS leadership committee offers expertise and peer coaching to members of the network. [Email me](#) if you are interested in joining.

## Partner Resources:

### [Our Children Can't Wait Webinar: Funding Schools, Student Homelessness, & Racial Justice](#)

*UCLA Center for the Transformation of Schools | April 2023*

### [Preventing and Ending Youth Homelessness: A Thrive by 25 Brief](#)

*Annie E. Casey Foundation | March 2023*

### [Safety is Foundational to Thriving: A Discussion with Advocates, Organizers, and Youth](#)

*Grantmakers for Thriving Youth | March 2023*

### [The Bipartisan Safer Communities Act: A Dangerous New Chapter in the War on Black Youth](#)

*Center for Law and Social Policy | January 2023*



## Youth Homelessness Programming

### Virtual Partner Event: [Way Home America's State of the Movement](#)

**Wednesday, June 7 & Thursday, June 8 | 1:00pm ET, 12:00pm CT, 11:00am MT, 10:00am PT**

[A Way Home America](#) is back with its State of the Movement event from 1-4pm ET on both June 6 and 7. The theme "I Declare Transformation: Recharge and Speak up" promises to reinvigorate all of us in the movement to end youth homelessness. This event aims to connect a movement of people working towards housing justice to share knowledge, cultivate partnerships, and embrace a collective and complementary strategy.



### Funder Call Recording: [Mobilizing Philanthropy for Youth Homelessness Prevention](#)

During this funder call with the [Funders Network for Youth Success](#) (FNYS) on April 18, participants discussed effective solutions for youth homelessness prevention, heard from partners within the movement, and connected with other funders to share their organization's efforts to address the issue. Through an interactive exercise, participants were also able to map out how their funding efforts aligned and learn more from movement leaders about their vision to prevent youth homelessness.



### Webinar Recording: [Identifying Student Risks through The Upstream Project](#)

During this webinar on April 26, we dove into a specific prevention intervention: The Upstream Project. Based on Australia's Geelong Project, Upstream screens students for risk factors associated with school disengagement and homelessness, providing optional supports to help stabilize such crises. We heard from funders, partners, and researchers about both the opportunities and limitations of Upstream as well as how it can be expanded in the United States.



## Youth Homelessness News

### [Think of Us raises audacious investment to accelerate transformation of child welfare system](#)

*Think of Us | April 2023*

### [HUD Makes \\$30 Million in Funding Available for Public Housing Agencies to Help Youth Aging out of Foster Care](#)

*U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development | March 2023*

### [Chapin Hall and Gov. Pritzker Launch Blueprint for Transformation of Mental Health Services for Illinois Youth](#)

*Chapin Hall | February 2023*

### [Innovative Direct Cash Transfer pilot program for youth experiencing homelessness to expand to San Francisco](#)

*Chapin Hall | February 2023*

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