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MACCH earns \$4.7 million in renewal federal grants

Omaha, Neb., March 6, 2019 – [The Metro Area Continuum of Care for the Homeless \(MACCH\)](#) and its partner agencies has earned nearly \$4.7 million dollars from the [Department of Housing and Urban Development \(HUD\)](#).

The MACCH award is part of HUD's nearly \$2.2 billion nationally in renewal and grants for projects funded through the [Continuum of Care \(CoC\) program](#). The grant money will support the continuing efforts to provide housing and support services to individuals and families in Douglas and Sarpy counties in Nebraska and Pottawattamie county in Iowa.

In addition to renewal funding for rapid rehousing and permanent supportive housing, MACCH received new project funding of \$157,564 for [Youth Emergency Services \(YES\)](#) to expand rapid rehousing resources for local youth and young adults, ages 18 to 24.

“This additional resource will enhance efforts to end homelessness among young adults experiencing the crisis of homelessness,” said Lisa Vukov, MACCH assistant director.

YES served nearly 4,000 young people through their various programs in 2017-2018, a 25 percent increase from the previous year.

MACCH is the Omaha metro area's chief collaborative voice regarding the prevention and ending of homelessness. MACCH's main objective is to secure funding for and unite the efforts of agencies such as Youth Emergency Services (YES) that serve homeless and near-homeless individuals and families in the Omaha-Council Bluffs metro area.

“MACCH continues striving to make homelessness rare, brief and nonrecurring and this funding is a necessary resource to support our mission,” said Randy McCoy, MACCH executive director.

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