

Innovative Models for Serving Individuals Experiencing Unsheltered Homelessness

Please note, each of the following models is subject to local variation.

Model	Definition
Host Homes	Temporary accommodation with a community host
Mobile Showers	Self-contained shower units that can be moved; can offer co-located services
Safe Spaces or Day Centers	Designated locations where individuals experiencing homelessness can spend the day; can offer co-located services
Safe Parking or Tent Parking Lot	Designated parking lot for sleeping (in a tent or vehicle) with standards for operations and services
Sanctioned Encampments or Safe Ground	Government-approved campground with standards for operations and services, can be self-governed or operated by a government entity or non-profit
Street Outreach or Encampment Outreach	Volunteers/staff in the field or a set location, working with homeless individuals to meet their basic needs and facilitate connections to shelter or housing
Tiny Homes	Quick construction buildings used as <i>permanent</i> housing; typically includes in-unit electricity, water, bathroom, and kitchen
Tuff Sheds or Pallet Shelters or Structured Tents	Quick construction buildings used as <i>temporary</i> shelter; bathroom and kitchen are separate from the sleeping quarters and shared with other on-site residents
Winter Shelter or Rotating Shelter	Short-term shelters in buildings typically used for another purpose (e.g., church basements, schools, libraries)