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Court Sides with Coalition Challenging Latest Efforts to Politicize Homelessness Funding Grants

Court Blocks Latest Unlawful Homelessness Funding Announcement

National Alliance to End Homelessness (NAEH)

“Communities across this nation — in states both red and blue — rely on the federal government to support smart, strategic, lawful, and evidence-based funding opportunities to support their efforts to end homelessness. This decision further reinforces that this administration has repeatedly failed to meet that responsibility,” said **Ann Oliva, CEO of the National Alliance to End Homelessness**. “On behalf of the providers, system leaders, and people experiencing homelessness that we represent, we applaud the Court's decision.”

National Low Income Housing Coalition (NLIHC)

“This victory represents more than a legal outcome. It protects the integrity of our nation’s response to homelessness and allows communities to focus on serving people rather than facing unlawful barriers,” said **Renee M. Wills, President and CEO of the National Low Income Housing Coalition**. “Everyone—regardless of income status—deserves the dignity and security of a safe and stable home, and today’s ruling brings us closer to that goal.”

Crossroads Rhode Island

“We applaud the court’s decision in once again recognizing that the conditions imposed in HUD’s NOFO were unlawful,” said **Michelle Wilcox, President and CEO, Crossroads Rhode Island**. “At a time when homelessness remains at near record levels both here in Rhode Island and nationwide, it is critical that federal resources remain focused on proven solutions, including permanent housing and rapid rehousing, which help people move out of homelessness and rebuild their lives. We are grateful that the court has acted to protect the integrity of these programs and the individuals and families who rely on them.”

King County, Wash.

“This ruling protects the progress King County has made in providing stable housing and services for thousands of our most vulnerable neighbors through proven solutions, such as permanent supportive housing,” said **King County Executive Girmay Zahilay**. “Protecting Continuum of Care funding is a top priority, and we’re pleased that the court blocked the Trump administration's rushed, politicized, and unlawful attempt to rewrite the rules. We will continue to stand up against the Trump administration's weaponization of federal funding, protect the

resources that our communities are depending on, and help bring more people indoors to find stability and support.”

Cambridge, Mass.

“Standing up and preserving HUD’s Continuum of Care funding has been a critically important priority for Cambridge and our most vulnerable community members,” said **Cambridge City Manager Yi-An Huang**. “Disrupting these critical resources would have meant more families not having a place to sleep, more individuals left without stability or care, and a deeper strain on our community that is already working tirelessly to protect its most vulnerable. We are pleased with today’s court decision and appreciate the coalition’s collective efforts in preserving these grants.”

Democracy Forward

“This is an important victory to protect key federal support for people trying to secure housing. The housing and safety of hundreds of thousands of people was cruelly put in jeopardy by an administration that refuses to abide by the law and allow our democracy to function as major decisions are made,” said **Skye Perryman, President and CEO of Democracy Forward**. “We are honored to work with this brave coalition to defend the proven solutions that get people off the streets, and to once again triumph over this lawless administration.”

ACLU Foundation of Rhode Island

“We are pleased the court has once again decided to rule with the organizations and municipalities that are providing the resources and housing for every-day people when they need it the most,” said **Steven Brown, executive director of the ACLU of RI**. “This is another win against an unnecessarily cruel and convoluted attempt at undermining the ability of organizations like Crossroads and Youth Pride in Rhode Island to adequately provide their services.”

National Homelessness Law Center

“Housing solves homelessness, makes communities safer, and enables us all to thrive. It’s time for the Trump administration to focus on addressing the out-of-control cost of housing, which remains the number one cause of homelessness nationwide, instead of promoting harmful policies that will only make homelessness worse. We applaud the court’s decision. Today’s victory, which comes amidst coordinated attacks on our homelessness neighbors, strengthens our resolve to ensure that everybody has the housing, care, and support they need to flourish,” said **Antonia Fasanelli, Executive Director of the National Homelessness Law Center**.

Lawyers’ Committee for Rhode Island

“We are pleased with this court’s decision that recognizes that the administration violated the law by imposing their political whims, ignoring the fundamental requirements of notice and comment, on federal funds critical to addressing the needs of individuals and families

experiencing homelessness,” said **Amy R. Romero, Chief Legal Counsel of Lawyers’ Committee for Rhode Island.**