

Homelessness, Housing Precarity, and Disaster Network (HHDN)

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DESCRIPTION

The Homelessness, Housing Precarity, and Disaster Network (HHDN) aims to bring together scholars, practitioners, policy makers and key stakeholders, such as those with lived experience with homelessness, to discuss and work together on topics concerning homelessness, housing precarity, hazards, and disasters.

VISION

To bring together individuals and communities to learn about and address the root causes of marginalization and disaster vulnerability among individuals experiencing homelessness and housing precarity.

MISSION

To mobilize and build momentum for research, policies, and actions that will inform the prevention of disaster-caused disruption and efforts to reduce disaster vulnerability for people experiencing homelessness and housing precarity while promoting safe, affordable, sustainable, and accessible housing for all.



ACTIVITIES

- Create outputs (e.g., op-eds, policy briefs, presentations, academic papers) to inform or encourage ethical research, practice, and/or policy on topics concerning housing precarity and disasters
- Provide mentorship to early-career scholars and students interested in working in this space (both in research and practice)
- Mobilize and build momentum and visibility for policies and actions that will enable homeless and precariously housed people to find resources, enhance their well-being, and facilitate their ability to exit homelessness and housing precarity
- Provide our expertise to sign onto or advocate for policy and calls for or against actions that may reduce or cause harm, respectively, in an effort to prevent further marginalization and increased disaster vulnerability among precariously housed communities

