

Table 1

If the Fed government and state government is working to end homelessness, then Higher Education institutions should be invest in doing so as well.

Developing affordable housing uses – tax credit which doesn't allow full-time students to live in tax credit housing. How can this policy be changed?

The services we create for homeless students in Higher Educaitgon may ultimately benefit all students.

Figure out how to bring all programs (college access, etc.) together to be “Partners on the Path.”

Table 2

Must get buy-in from business community

Need policy legislation – cost to society \$93B for disconnected youth – also justice system – CD issues.

Use orientation to communicate resources

ASK THE QUESTION

College need to know resources

Jarrett's circle need to overlap

Co-location of services – many entities within college, but operates separately.

Navigators on site

Hierarchy of needs – housing first

Need to have shelters specifically for youth – apart from adult which can be unsafe for youth.

Need for services into 2nd year, or to credential/completion.

Table 3

Need Navigator to bridge (team) between K-12 to higher education and then follow.

Law requiring higher ed designate a liaison for Homeless/Highly Mobile youth (like homeless liaison in school districts)

Targeted work study for Homeless and Highly Mobile youth.

College fairs need to provide support service info (along with information on housing, financial aid, etc.)

Table 4

IDing key people (changemakers) – key staff, legislators

Strengthen handoffs & partnerships between K-12 and higher Education

Training all staff to ID homeless students and those at –risk and then knowing what to do.
Not just a referral game.

ID gaps in service and communication

Partner to get right info to students

Focusing expectation on students and families early on – propping them for higher education

Stronger partnership with mental health providers

Cultural competency

Table 5

Homeless youth liaison at Dept Higher Education to lead policy/ \$ development and training on campuses

Use U of Minnesota Youth studies as a resource

Create a center on homeless education - like National Center for Homeless Education in NC

TRiO connection with homeless youth providers to better leverage existing programs

Collaborative proposal/legislative package to expand and strengthen homeless youth access and retention in higher education

Table 6

Postsecondary not just higher education – postsecondary serves the economy and all sectors, while higher education is seen as a 4 year, academic option rather than economic. Education and training sector need to be included to develop business partnerships.

Wrap around student services based on student choice and intrusive advising

Stackable credentials

More professional development with staff for this industry

Solve the remediation issues – waste of \$, particularly subsidized \$/state grant and time, stigma

State/federal policies around incarceration with youth/adults – flexibility

Table 7

Main contact person at each “school” (college/university?) that youth and service providers can connect with

“Host” family program – Macalester model

Look into opportunities for coordinated assessment to be a tool

Change fed policy to allow full financial aid possibly for drug and sex offenders

Provide more support around making financial decisions once the youth have the \$

Table 8

Adopt “Check and Connect” model to postsecondary youth

Parent signatures on FAFSA (can we allow foster parents to make these signatures?)

Examine best practices (Michigan and Oregon) to resources for homeless students in education

Connect data on students in foster care system and other systems with higher education/FAFSA system.

Child care for higher ed students who are homeless

Acknowledge longer times may be needed for graduation

Get information on resources to foster parents

Indian Child Welfare Act – As best practice

Incorporate trauma informed care

“Suspend” the student’s share (\$?) in some instances

Emergency Flex Fund available

Address legal issues that prevent access

Community mentoring

Focus some educational resources on supporting youth who are parenting

Prioritize work study for foster care youth