



**“Showing Results: Federal, State and Local
Responses to Homelessness”**

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U.S. Capitol

On behalf of the National Alliance to End Homelessness, I would like to request your **co-sponsorship of a briefing on the status of homelessness in the United States** and the federal policy changes needed to continue to make progress in communities nationwide. The briefing will take place on **Monday, March 12, 2007 at 12:30 PM in Room S-207**. Lunch will be available.

National experts and on-the-ground practitioners will address:

- **Homelessness Counts**, the first nationwide estimate of the homeless population in a decade. It lays the groundwork for measuring efforts to end homelessness by establishing a baseline number of homeless people from which to monitor trends in homelessness.
- Progress made and challenges faced nationwide with a special focus on several localities.
- Partnerships across sectors at the local and state level, notably how Ten Year Plans to End Homelessness have created and encouraged unique collaborations.
- The effect of federal policy on local community work to end homelessness, including policy affecting families with children, chronic individuals, unaccompanied youth, veterans, and prisoners re-entering the community – to name a few.

For more information and to become a co-sponsor, please contact Sarah Kahn at the National Alliance to End Homelessness at 202-942-8259, skahn@naeh.org. We also hope that you or a member of your staff will attend the briefing. We look forward to a thoughtful discussion on what is being done to end homelessness, whether or not progress is being made, and how Congress can aid local communities in this ambitious effort.