

Housing First – A Paradigm Shift to Create Housing Stability,
Supportive Services, and Reduce Homelessness
-Understanding How & Why Housing First Works-

Global Day of Impact, Thursday, November 2, 2023

University Club of Milwaukee, 924 E. Wells Street, Milwaukee

Parking instructions and map at <https://www.uclubmke.com/contact/contact>

Social networking & registration 11:00 am, Lunch 11:45 am, Panel and Q & A 12:30-1:30 pm

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The Housing First philosophy provides unconditional, permanent housing to those most in need. Evidence has demonstrated that the most vulnerable can only solve one life-changing problem at a time. When you are living outside, without a roof over your head or knowing where your next meal will come from, that instantly becomes your most important problem. When the housing problem is solved, suddenly the next problem facing that individual becomes "most important," whether it be addressing undiagnosed mental health problems or substance abuse or leaving behind other life challenges like the street sex trade. Housing first also provides communities with cost savings due to a reduction in the use of emergency rooms, jails, and emergency shelters.

Our panelists represent Impact100 grant recipients Benedict Center and Pathfinders along with their systems partners IMPACT Inc. (also a past grantee) and the Milwaukee County Housing Division. They will share their perspectives on how homelessness affects different populations as well as how the nonprofit sector and government agencies are collaborating to end housing insecurity and provide supportive services so people can be successful in their homes and creating positive futures going forward.