



**MASSACHUSETTS COALITION FOR THE HOMELESS**

Committed to ensuring that everyone has a place to call home

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## Invite Your State Legislators to Mark World Homeless Day with the Coalition Next Thursday, October 10th!

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### Training Opportunity

The Coalition once again is partnering with the Massachusetts Law Reform Institute and Greater Boston Legal Services to offer the **"Basic Benefits Training" on the Emergency Assistance family shelter and services program.**

This year's training will take place on **Thursday, October 17th in Boston.**

[Click here](#) for more information about the training and how to register through Massachusetts Continuing Legal Education.

Please note that advocates

Dear friend,

Groups across the globe will mark World Homeless Day next Thursday, October 10th. The Massachusetts Coalition for the Homeless is partnering with State Representative Jim O'Day to sponsor a [World Homeless Day](#) event here in Massachusetts, targeted to legislators and aides. We will be holding a [legislative briefing](#) that day at the State House in the House Members' Lounge (Room 350) from 2:00 p.m. to 3:30 p.m.

**We need your help in making sure legislators and aides participate.** (To sweeten the deal for them, the briefing will be combined with an ice cream social!) **Please click through and forward this [World Homeless Day event flyer](#) to your legislators, asking them to [RSVP to the Coalition](#) and come to the briefing.**

The briefing will highlight a range of current issues related to housing and homelessness in the Commonwealth, such as:

- The ongoing work of the [Massachusetts Special Commission on Unaccompanied Homeless Youth](#) and the upcoming unaccompanied youth counts across the state
- The Emergency Assistance Family Shelter program and the pending/upcoming supplemental budget requests
- [Strategies to serve families timing out of the HomeBASE](#) rental assistance program
- The positive impact of increased FY'14 funding for the Massachusetts Rental Voucher Program
- The proposed Bill of Rights for people experiencing homelessness, [House Bill 3595](#)

If you need help in determining who your legislators are, [follow this link](#) or contact me at the Coalition: [kelly@mahomeless.org](mailto:kelly@mahomeless.org) or 781-595-7570 x17.

and providers can register for the reduced rate of only \$25.

### Action Required!

Join us on Friday, November 8th for our "Action Required!" conference on unaccompanied youth homelessness!

The conference will be held at Clark University in Worcester.

Additional details about the conference can be found [here](#), and [online registration is now open](#).

For more information, please contact Exa Mendez: [exa@mahomeless.org](mailto:exa@mahomeless.org) or 781-595-7570 x16.

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Thank you for your assistance in spreading the word to State Representatives and State Senators about this event!

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