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### **NATIONAL AIDS HOUSING COALITION NOW THE NATIONAL HIV/AIDS HOUSING COALITION**

Since 1993, the National AIDS Housing Coalition (NAHC) has secured safe, appropriate, and affordable housing for those who are at risk of and living with HIV and AIDS. Today the organization becomes the National HIV/AIDS Housing Coalition (NHAHC). Our subtle name-change to include HIV has been long coming and is reflective of the community we strive to support and the science of the epidemic.

The number one unmet need of people living with HIV each year is housing. This is due to economic disparities, lack of affordable housing, stigma, homophobia, and racial discrimination. Housing is at the epicenter of health and society. At NHAHC, we know that *housing is healthcare*.

Of the 1.2 million individuals living with HIV in the United States, 34% (an estimated 400,000) are housing insecure and over 100,000 are experiencing homelessness. Data shows that those who are stably housed are 20% more likely to be virally suppressed compared to those who are unstably housed. Housing is a health indicator, not merely a social determinant. NHAHC does not see a path toward ending the HIV epidemic in the United States without addressing the need for safe, appropriate, & affordable housing for people at high-risk and those living with HIV/AIDS.

The National HIV/AIDS Housing Coalition is excited to enter our 30<sup>th</sup> year of serving the HIV/AIDS community and will continue our work until housing is ensured for all those at high-risk of and living with HIV. We will do this through federal and state advocacy, providing technical assistance to community-based organizations and housing providers, and lifting up the best housing and HIV research in the field.

Join us in our renewed mission by becoming an advocacy partner, following us on social media, shopping at our new merchandise store, and continuing to advocate for housing for our community.

Visit our new website at [www.nhahc.org](http://www.nhahc.org) to learn more.

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*Until the End,*

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