



## Advocacy Sub-Committee

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### I. Overview

This sub-committee will actively engage with elected officials and policy makers to advocate regarding pending legislation and regulatory matters related to homeless and housing services. The committee plans to influence policy and ensure they meet the needs of those that are served. The committee also will propose legislation that will support both the short- and long-term needs of its households, based upon grassroots efforts. The sub-committee will monitor, review, evaluate and recommend improvements to legislative and regulatory practices.

### II. Responsibilities

- Review pending state legislation and provide a summary/overview on the bill and recommendations to support or oppose;
- Provide draft testimony for BoS review and approval and submit as appropriate;
- Schedule and meet with elected officials and policy makers to share testimonials and feedback on existing and proposed legislation;
- Provide support to individual LHCs when proposing legislative activities in individual communities that aligns with the BoS' mission and philosophy;
- Provide national and local best practices that substantiates or opposes certain legislative proposals

### III. Meetings

Meetings are held bi-monthly, and during legislative session, could be held more frequently

### IV. Membership Composition

At least one representative from each participating LHC, as well as someone with lived experience

### V. Resources

- Health Care for the Homeless Advo-Kit: chrome-extension://efaidnbnmnnibpcajpcgiclfndmkaj/https://nhchc.org/wp-content/uploads/2019/08/Advo-Final.pdf
- National Alliance to End Homelessness: <https://endhomelessness.org/ending-homelessness/policy/>
- National Coalition for the Homeless: [www.nationalhomeless.org](http://www.nationalhomeless.org)