

Region 1 Homeless Coalition

MISSION STATEMENT: Partnering the five northern counties of Idaho to create a community where homelessness is a rarity or at an end.

The Region 1 Homeless Coalition will accomplish its mission through planning, education & communication, and advocacy in the following ways:

PLANNING

- Conduct regularly scheduled monthly meetings where those individuals and organizations/agencies working directly or indirectly with homelessness can come together to share experiences, discuss problems, find solutions and extend mutual support.
- Provide input and participate in regional plans to end homelessness.

EDUCATION & COMMUNICATION

- Collect and disseminate as much information as possible about homeless singles, families and youth.
- Promote public awareness and understanding of all homeless singles, families and youth by publicizing findings, discoveries, and other information regarding assistance and services.
- Actively promote the advancement of education among agencies and peers by using the monthly coalition meetings as the venue and opportunity to do so.

ADVOCACY

- Advocate for the right of shelter and housing for all homeless singles, families and youth.
- Monitor and evaluate local, state, and federal legislation affecting all homeless singles, families and youth.
- Actively participate in all homeless singles, families and youth planning and decision-making sessions and meetings.
- Promote effective homeless programs to shelter and house and promote self-sufficiency for all homeless singles, families and youth.
- Promote community support programs including appropriate living arrangements linked with supportive social, case management, counseling, and employment programs.
- Provide an informational e-mail tree for state and federal legislative advocacy.