# Michigan Homelessness Advocacy Day #EndMIHomelessness

## There were 30,805 homeless persons in Michigan in 2020, including veterans, seniors, children, and families.

### We can do better.

#### **Increase housing assets**

• Appropriate \$100 Million (part of the Governor's recommendation).

#### **Decrease barriers to affordable housing**

- Support source of income protections which would prevent landlords from rejecting potential tenants based solely on their source of income, including vouchers, SSI/SSDI, veterans benefits, and any other legal form of income.
- Support bills introduced in 2021 by Rep. Cavanagh, Rep. Rabhi, Sen. Bayer, and Sen. Irwin: SB 255 and 254; HB 4553 and 4554.
- HCV regulations relaxed to enable more people to qualify.

### **Eviction & Engagements**

- Support bill introduced by Sen. Winnie Brinks (D- Grand Rapids) introduced bill on 3/3/22
- The bill would also provide the courts with discretion on records that are at least five years old but require the sealing of them in certain cases
- These cases include tenants residing in foreclosed properties and evictions filed during a declared state of emergency related to the COVID-19 pandemic.



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