



FROM THE FRONT LINES

A monthly update from Care for the Homeless

This month, we continue to fight to end homelessness through policy initiatives like the Housing Not Handcuffs campaign and a winter drive. Please join our efforts!

The Fight for Housing for Those Who Need It Most!

Across the nation, cities are criminalizing homelessness by making it illegal for people to sit, sleep and even eat in public places - despite the lack of shelter and other resources. In response, CFH joined forces with dozens of other organizations and leaders in a "[Housing Not Handcuffs](#)" rally on Wednesday, November 16th in front of New York City's City Hall. There, the groups came together to address the criminalization of people struggling with homelessness and to advocate for a real solution to the homelessness crisis - housing.



CFH Consumer Advisory Board Member Philip Malebranche speaking at the Housing No Handcuffs rally on November 16

Providing real housing offers people in-need a solution, it improves neighborhoods and it saves substantial public resources. Instead of being criminalized for lacking basic resources, all persons faced with homelessness should have access to affordable housing and other services to put them back on a path of stability.

With broad-based activism focused on helping the most vulnerable of New Yorkers through affordable housing and banning anti-poverty laws, we can improve our communities for the better. If you agree, you can join the Housing Not Handcuffs Campaign by endorsing it [here](#) or by e-mailing policy@cfhnyc.org to learn about policy initiatives at CFH.

To read more about the Housing Not Handcuffs campaign, click [here](#).

Help Warm Up NYC: Annual Winter Accessories Drive

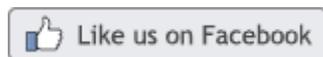
As the weather grows colder, CFH runs an Annual Winter Accessories Drive through January 1, 2017 to keep New Yorkers healthy and warm. We are looking for winter accessories for the adults and children who would normally go without. Please consider donating new or gently used hats, gloves, scarves and socks (for socks, we can only accept new) to CFH.

The City can reach below freezing temperatures with strong winds and snow, and no one should face an icy winter without proper clothing. A hat and scarf can go a long way to help a person's wellbeing. We gladly accept individual donations or can work with you to organize a drive on CFH's behalf at your workplace, school, local business, or faith-based organization. All donors will receive an acknowledgment receipt of their gift for income tax purposes.

For more information please e-mail Victoria at vazurin@cfhnyc.org.



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