



## December 2024 Newsletter

Explore new training and resources from HHRC and our partners!

### Happy Holidays!

HHRC recently hosted our final webinar of 2024, but there's plenty more to learn!

While we plan for 2025, we encourage you to check out our archived webinars for panels and presentations on topics related to homelessness, substance use, and mental health.

[Webinar Archive](#)



This season can be stressful— socially, financially, emotionally. Remember to take a break. It's OK to focus on yourself, your self-care, and your overall health and wellness this season. Here are some ways to show yourself some comfort & joy: [How to Cope](#).

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## Homeless Persons' Memorial Day

[Homeless Persons' Memorial Day](#) was first commemorated in 1990 and is observed annually on the longest night of the year, the winter solstice.

On December 21, 2024, we honor and remember those who have experienced homelessness and lost their lives while living unsheltered. It serves as a reminder that homelessness is a matter of life or death. You can learn more about homeless mortality in NHCHC's recently released [Mortality and Homelessness Fact Sheet](#).

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## Funding Opportunities

### **NASTAD: Regional Centers of Excellence in Harm Reduction**

NASTAD has announced several funding opportunities supporting harm reduction efforts through training, technical assistance, and capacity building. Proposals are due in early January.

[Learn more and apply](#).

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## Partner Resources

### **NLIHC: Disaster Housing Recovery Toolkit**

[Advancing Equity: Strategies, Tactics, and Best Practices for Disaster-Impacted Communities](#) is a comprehensive toolkit that includes best practices and tactics with which community-based, state, and national organizations can use media, the law, organizing, and research to accomplish the goal of reforming the country's broken disaster framework.

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### **SAMHSA: Financing Peer Crisis Respite in the United States**

This [report](#) highlights the benefits of peer crisis respite within the recovery-oriented continuum of crisis care and identifies common components, operations, and funding of peer crisis respite in a national sample of programs across the United States.

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### **SAMHSA Tribal TTA: Supporting Behavioral Wellness in Indian Country**

In this [podcast](#), CAPT. Karen Hearod, Director of the Office of Tribal Affairs and Policy (OTAP), discusses the work SAMHSA is doing in tribal communities, both tribes and tribal organizations,

in support of behavioral health and wellness.

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## SAMHSA: Suicide Prevention Strategies for Underserved Youth

This [guide](#) provides strategies and insights to support interventions and help prevent suicide. The guide highlights existing research, discusses barriers that hinder youth's access to prevention and intervention services, and offers guidance on selecting, implementing, and evaluating evidence-based prevention programs. It also highlights programs that are making strides in addressing suicidal thoughts and behaviors in young people from underserved communities.

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## Partner Webinars

- [Webinar](#): Workforce Solutions Jam: Reducing Barriers to Licensure to Expand and Diversify the Behavioral Health Workforce  
**December 17, 3:00pm ET. National Council for Mental Wellbeing**
- [Webinar](#): SAMHSA Grant Application Process  
**January 14, 11:00am ET. SAMHSA**
- [Webinar](#): Economic Stability Considerations for Service Members, Veterans and their Families  
**January 21, 1:00pm ET. SMVF TA Center**

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