Innovations & Strategies in AZ Homeless Service Provision
Insights from *Service Providers & Evidence-Based Research*

Participants & Research

Focus groups & interviews with 67 homelessness service providers & administrators + a review of evidence-based literature. [Read more methods details here]

Results: Innovations & strategies were categorized into three themes

1. HOUSING

Innovations & strategies include:

- Housing First
- Permanent Supportive Housing
- Repurposed Hotels
- Shared Housing/Host Homes
- Tiny Homes, Trailers
- Landlord Engagement
- Progressive Engagement

2. ECONOMIC SECURITY

Innovations & strategies include:

- Direct Cash Transfers
- "Money Matching" or Match Savings Programs
- Education/training stipends
- Shallow (Rental) Subsidies
- Flexible "Flex" or Crisis Funds

3. WRAPAROUND SUPPORTS

Innovations & strategies include:

- Peer Support
- Mental Health Services & Outreach
- Case Management
- Harm Reduction
- Pet Accommodations
- Transportation

More details on each strategy & AzHAC's in-depth infographic are linked here

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Recommendations

Prioritize the inclusion of people with lived experience

Engage in policy advocacy

Support a stable, healthy workforce

Prioritize equity
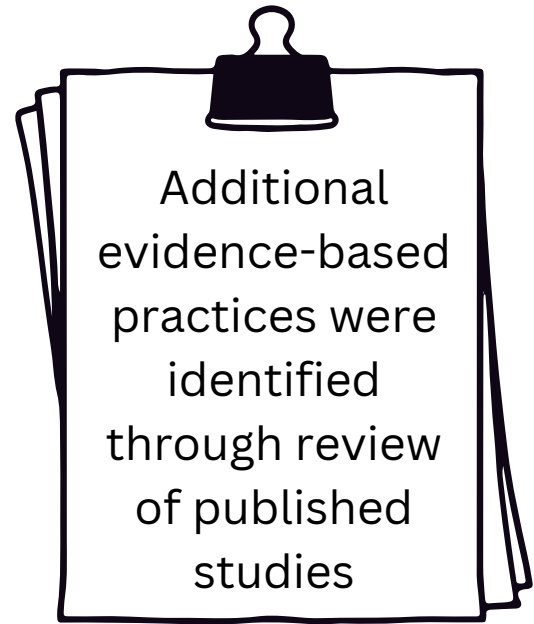
Expand collaborations & coalitions

Advocate for flexible funding

Culturally responsive, trauma informed services

Incorporate harm-reduction strategies

Evaluate, sustain, and replicate effective innovations

Additional evidence-based practices were identified through review of published studies

SUPPLEMENTAL INNOVATIONS & STRATEGIES TO CONSIDER

- Homeless Prevention
- Eviction Diversion
- Critical Time Intervention
- Homelessness Courts
- Right to Counsel/Access to Advocates in Eviction Proceedings
- Supportive Housing for Formerly Incarcerated

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