



THE MARYLAND GENERAL ASSEMBLY  
ANNAPOLIS, MARYLAND 21401-1991

## JOINT COMMITTEE ON ENDING HOMELESSNESS

December 16, 2022

The Honorable Bill Ferguson, Co-Chair  
The Honorable Adrienne A. Jones, Co-Chair  
Members of the Legislative Policy Committee

Dear President Ferguson, Speaker Jones, and Members:

The Joint Committee on Ending Homelessness is pleased to submit a summary report of its 2022 interim activities. This report also serves as the joint committee's annual report detailing its work. The joint committee met virtually this interim to receive a general briefing on the status of homelessness services in the State, in addition to learning how homelessness service organizations provided services both during and after the COVID-19 pandemic.

At the November 16, 2022 meeting, the Department of Housing and Community Development updated the joint committee on existing homelessness prevention programs and the distribution of housing and homelessness prevention funding. The University System of Maryland updated the joint committee on tuition exemptions for foster care recipients and homeless youth. Finally, Healthcare for the Homeless provided an update regarding their efforts to address homelessness.

The joint committee does not have any formal recommendations for this interim period. However, the joint committee looks forward to starting the new legislative term with a productive session on issues related to housing and homelessness, in addition to continuing our work next interim. We wish to thank the joint committee members for their participation, representatives of public and private organizations who kept us informed, and our committee staff for their support.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, reading "Mary L. Washington".

Mary L. Washington  
Senate Chair

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Geraldine Valentino-Smith".

Geraldine Valentino-Smith  
House Chair

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cc: Ms. Victoria L. Gruber  
Mr. Ryan Bishop  
Mr. Jeremy Baker  
Ms. Sally Robb