

LEGISLATIVE PRIORITIES 2026



As advocates for social and racial justice, the Education and Advocacy Team promotes Colorado Coalition for the Homeless' mission of preventing and resolving homelessness, increasing access to healthcare and housing, and creating pathways to greater stability by shaping public policy, building strategic community relationships, and influencing the public narrative about the causes of and solutions to homelessness.

AFFORDABLE HOUSING

The Coalition is committed to growing investments in targeted affordable housing development and supportive services for those most in need. This effort includes protecting the voter-approved housing and homelessness programs established through Proposition 123 in 2022. Additionally, the Coalition will support policies that strengthen rights, protections, and resources for renters, including reforms to eviction court processes, protections for immigrant renters, prevention of price coordination among landlords, defending and growing the Eviction Legal Defense Fund, and other policies that prevent people from entering the cycle of homelessness.



HOMELESSNESS

Policies that promote homelessness prevention and resolution remain a top priority for the Coalition. The organization will continue to push for the creation of Regional Homelessness Response Authorities, coordinated strategies for homelessness prevention and resolution informed by stakeholders, and new, creative ways to fund these efforts. CCH will also focus on the reauthorization of the Homeless Contribution Tax Credit and streamlining philanthropic support for nonprofit organizations through legacy giving. The Coalition will continue to push back against narratives about homelessness that are based on misinformation and fear and policies that intentionally or unintentionally harm unhoused individuals.



HEALTH

The Coalition believes that housing and healthcare are deeply connected and essential to individual and community wellbeing. The organization will advocate alongside its partners to grow state investment in Federally Qualified Health Centers (FQHCs), protect and maximize Medicaid reimbursement, maintain and expand affordable and continuous healthcare coverage options for patients with limited resources, support high quality integrated care, and strengthen the FQHC workforce. CCH will also continue to prioritize evidence-based substance use treatment and other approaches to public health challenges.



ECONOMIC JUSTICE

Promoting economic stability is at the core of the Coalition's mission. CCH will support efforts to enhance access to and the value of essential public benefits, including cash assistance, nutrition support, and other programs to prevent individuals and families from having to make impossible choices between meeting basic needs like food, healthcare, and housing. The organization will also support policies that address root causes of economic insecurity, alleviate poverty, and help address economic inequity.

