

Wisconsin Homeless Management Information System

Consumer Notice

This agency participates in the *Wisconsin Homeless Management Information System* (HMIS), administered by the Institute for Community Alliances (ICA). HMIS collects basic information about participants receiving services from this agency in order to:

- 1) Establish an accurate count of individuals and families who are experiencing homelessness
- 2) Enable the coordination of services to prevent and resolve experiences of homelessness
- 3) Fulfill governmental and grant-specific reporting requirements
- 4) Identify the need to provide more or different services to end homelessness in our community

Please note

- ❖ The collection and use of all personal information is guided by strict standards of confidentiality. A copy of our **Baseline Privacy Notice** describing our privacy practices is available to all participants upon request.
- ❖ This agency is required to present you with the **Wisconsin HMIS Release of Information** to get your informed consent and offer you the opportunity to object to data sharing. The Release of Information may be presented to you in writing, orally, or telephonically.
- ❖ ICA may use and disclose your personal information as outlined in the table below. For the full list of possible uses and disclosures, please see our **Baseline Privacy Notice**.

Your data may be shared with the following	Why would your data be shared?
Other Wisconsin HMIS-participating Agencies	To establish your eligibility for services and help us serve you as a group.
Health and Human Service Partners	To help others get connected to our housing resources and to meet your needs beyond housing.
Research Partners	To inform governmental and agency policy that aims to end homelessness and improve community wellbeing.
Oversight Agencies	To carry out administrative functions such as legal audits, personnel, and management functions, including mandated federal & state reporting.
Law Enforcement	To comply with lawful & ethical court orders, subpoenas, investigation, or enforcement action. Data shared will be limited in scope to the purpose for which the information is sought.
Other Governmental Authority	When required by law or to avert a serious threat to health or safety, as in cases of abuse or neglect.