

2016 Focus on Homelessness

Throughout 2016, Lt. Governor Rebecca Kleefisch is committed to working with service providers, non-profit and faith-based groups, advocates, and state and local governments to fight homelessness and increase hope in our communities. As part of this initiative, she is talking with staff, volunteers, and residents at facilities across Wisconsin, including:

Grace Place (Salvation Army), New Richmond

Northport Community (Housing Ministries of American Baptists), Madison

ADVOCAP, Fond du Lac

Homeless Connections, Appleton

Doe Fund, New York City

Cathedral Center, Milwaukee

Western Dairyland, Eau Claire

Green Tree Community (Housing Ministries), Milwaukee

Wisconsin Dept. of Veterans Affairs Transitional Living Centers, Union Grove and Chippewa Falls

Additionally, the Lt. Governor and her staff are regularly meeting with state agencies and community partners to achieve a deeper understanding of the homelessness service system.

"Homelessness is a problem that affects everyone in Wisconsin, whether they know it or not," Kleefisch said.
... "[T]he goal is to help people so that they can one day not only move out of a wonderful place like this [Grace Place], but move into a wonderful home of their own knowing that they can meet the challenges of the day independently. That is why places like this are so important and why we should be grateful -- not just at Christmas time -- but throughout the year, for those wonderful people of the Salvation Army and other places across Wisconsin where they are doing good work every day by helping their fellow man." -- December 10, 2015

Co-sponsor: "A Resolution In Support Of Comprehensive, Coordinated Systems to End Homelessness Among Veterans" – National Lieutenant Governors Association Federal-State Relations Conference, Washington, D.C., March 2016





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VISITS

December 7, 2015 - Visit Grace Place, New Richmond (Salvation Army family shelter)

January 8, 2016 - Visit Northport Community, Madison (HMABWI family affordable apts.)

February 9, 2016 - Visit ADVOCAP, Fond du Lac (community action program shelter)

February 15, 2016 - Visit Homeless Connections, Appleton (shelter)

February 18, 2016 - Visit Cathedral Center, Milwaukee (family shelter)

February 22, 2016 - Visit Western Dairyland, Eau Claire (community action program shelter)

March 2, 2016 - Visit The Doe Fund, New York City (shelter and job training provider)

March 3, 2016 – Visit Green Tree Community (HMABWI family affordable apts.)

March 9, 2016 – Visit DVA Cottage 16, Union Grove (homeless veterans shelter)

March 16, 2016 - Visit Salvation Army family services center, Madison (family shelter)

March 18, 2016 - Visit Foundations for Living, Waupaca (rural shelter and transitional living)

May - Visit Housing Authority of the City of Milwaukee (local public housing authority)

REMARKS

March 23, 2016 - Policy Committee of the National Lieutenant Governors Association, D.C.

April 29, 2016 - Remarks to the Midwest Real Estate News Apartment Summit, Milwaukee

May 4, 2016 - Presentation of Governor's Awards for Community Action Programs, Madison