

**Mission:** To help ensure that housing and other basic human needs are within everyone's reach in an affordable and dignified manner.

#### Goal:

- Ensure homelessness is:
  - o Rare
  - Brief
  - One-time experience.

2020 National Hunger and Homelessness Awareness Week

November 15 – 22, 2020

## Bismarck/Mandan and surrounding communities

- 1040 people without homes received shelter in Bismarck in 2019.\*
  - o **36,497** nights of shelter were provided in one year
  - o 30% seeking shelter were children
  - o 41% were White, 37% Native American, 22% other race
  - o 15% had a physical or developmental disability
  - o 34% had behavioral health issues
  - o 46% were employed
- 572 Students were identified as being homeless
- Homeless Teens/Young Adults:
  - o 42% were former foster youth
  - o 10% identified as being LGBTQ+
  - o 11% were trafficked

# **How Can You Help?**

- Donate
- Volunteer
- Treat All People with Dignity and Respect

http://www.mvchp.com/

### North Dakota

• Agencies across North Dakota have the capacity to provide shelter to **813** individuals at a time in emergency shelters, transitional housing, and safe havens (this includes victims of Domestic Violence). There are **169** beds in the Bismarck region.

### **United States**

- 567,715 people experience homelessness in the U.S. at any single point in time (HUD)
- People at-risk of homelessness: (National Alliance to End Homelessness)
  - o 4,435,768 people are doubled up
  - o 6,657,299 people are cost-burdened with their housing.
- 11 million Americans are at high risk of homelessness. Are you one of them?