

# WISCONSIN COALITION AGAINST HOMELESSNESS

## CAN YOU GUESS WHO SAID THIS?

“In 2015, over 27,000 people received homelessness services and shelter in Wisconsin. It’s been shown that collaboration between local governments, state government and federal programs, in conjunction with a private sector partnership can be effective. “We” understand that one of the most basic needs for our citizens is to have safe and reliable housing and we will look for ways we can further prevent homelessness and help the homeless”

## ANSWER:

This statement is contained in a document entitled “Forward Agenda” produced and approved by the Wisconsin Republican Assembly Caucus which is part of the critical roadmap for legislation in 2017.

## HOMELESSNESS ON THE STATE AGENDA!

The commitment to prevent and assist those who are homeless by the Republican Assembly Caucus as well as the recent interest shown by Lt. Governor Rebecca Kleefisch around the issue of homelessness can be ascribed to the measured and consistent advocacy offered by the Wisconsin Coalition Against Homelessness (WCAH).

Because of *our* advocacy at the state level, WCAH is confident that for the first time in 25 years, within the spring budget discussions, there will be an initiative to provide more resources to fund homeless programs throughout Wisconsin as well as various policy enhancements. But, having the homeless initiative introduced is just the beginning!

WCAH stands committed to working to make sure the homeless initiative is not only introduced, but is also approved by the Joint Finance Committee, approved by the full legislature, and signed into law by the Governor as part of the new state budget!

## BUT WE CONTINUE TO NEED YOUR HELP!

Please consider becoming a member of WCAH. Your contribution will help WCAH ensure that the issue of homelessness and the inclusion of new funding for homeless programs will, for the first time in 25 years, be part of the state budget process!

[TO JOIN WCAH PLEASE VISIT OUR WEBSITE AT WCAHWI.ORG](http://WCAHWI.ORG)

Thank you for your support!

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