

**Commission on Homelessness for Volusia & Flagler Counties
Community Stakeholder's Meeting**

July 21, 2016

Public Comments and Questions

1. This is a county wide problem; why has it be dumped on the city of Daytona Beach to solve it? Where is the rest of the cities in helping the solve this?
2. Will you please give the breakdown of exactly where people were placed and how many have applied and been turned away?
3. The city of Daytona has a lack of affordable housing so instead of emergency shelter could they start there? If they stopped promoting part time minimum wage service jobs that would create a decreased need.
4. Why are we talking about day centers which do not solve the problem but are an expensive use of our limited funds instead of full-service shelter that addresses immediate and most urgent need of homeless-safe shelter.
5. As an immediate need-what can be done to help the 86 people who will become homeless next week? Many of them are "mid-progress" to a non-homeless life. What can you do to help them?
6. What would happen if 100% instead of 5% of the Stakeholders wanted to end homelessness because it didn't reflect our values? Maybe it's time for some moral outrage instead of business acumen.
7. According to our latest survey, 16% of Daytona State College students who responded said they have experienced homelessness- 8% within the past year. We need assistance/ ideas to address housing issues-both emergency and long term- for our students, most of whom "fall between the cracks" because they do not meet criteria for family shelters, and their needs are not being met at single adult shelters (that's if they are admitted). How can we be more pro-active to help students avoid homelessness, instead of using a crisis-management model?

8. What would change is 100% instead of 5% of the Stakeholders wanted to end homelessness because it didn't reflect our values?