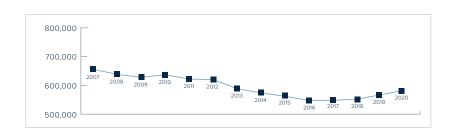
Ending homelessness is possible. Here's what Congress can do this year to help.

Although homelessness has been on the rise in recent years, the United States has a track-record of achieving sustained reductions in homelessness in communities across the nation— despite rising housing costs.

- 56,000 fewer people experienced homelessness on a given night in 2020 today than did in 2010.
- Three states and 83 communities have ended veteran homelessness.
- Four communities have ended chronic homelessness.



We've made progress because the federal government has promoted evidence-based approaches — and because Congress has long recognized that homelessness is a bipartisan issue, harming individuals and rural, urban, and suburban communities.

But the affordable housing shortage in communities across the nation is eroding that progress. As rents continue to rise, more and more households are being forced from their homes, which has driven increases in homelessness since 2017. People simply can't afford their housing.

To get the effort back on track to end homelessness in America, we urge Congress to take these steps:

- Support \$3.6 billion in overall funding for the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development's Homeless Assistance Grants. This program creates a strong foundation for locally managed homeless systems across the country to house the most vulnerable in their communities and provide support services people need to stay housed.
- Support \$32.1 billion for the Tenant Based Rental Assistance account, to boost the federal
 government's commitment to reducing homelessness, helping people with low incomes afford
 a place to live and moving more families out of poverty.

