

Pathway to Success: Homeless Student Housing Initiative

SUSTAINABLE. COLLABORATIVE. AFFORDABLE.

HOUSING INSECURITY IN THE QUEEN CITY

University of Cincinnati



11%
Homeless
(4,840 @ 44K)

Xavier University



12%
Homeless
(840 @ 7K)

Cincinnati State



25-30%
Homeless
(2,100 @ 8K)

Sources: *Journal of College Student Development*, *Journal of Social Service Research*,
Community College Journal of Research & Practice, Teacher's College Press.

“Students will [pay] only part of their rent, [skimp] on utility bills, or [sleep] on friends’ couches...and sometimes in their cars.”

- “In College and Homeless,” New York Times, 2020

REAL PEOPLE REAL REPURCUSSIONS

Mardy Gilyard (UC)



Urban Homeless Challenge (XU)



Immediate Consequences

- Food Insecurity
- Sexual Assault
- Victim of random crime
- Incarceration
- Death (hypothermia)

Long-Term Consequences

- Stunted Employment
- Mental Health Issues
- Physical Health Issues
- Drug Use

Vehicular homelessness is on the rise across the nation, and since 2016 39% of 187 cities surveyed by the NLCHP had adopted ordinances that criminalized homeless people in cars.

- National Law Center on Homelessness and Poverty

THE “LUCKY” ONES

7 days a week...



Rain, sleet, or snow...



Freezing weather or blistering heat...



“It costs \$1,250 to keep someone from becoming homeless compared to \$3,900 to assist them after they become homeless.”

- Strategies to End Homelessness, Cincinnati (OH) 2019

LIVING ROUGH IN OHIO

Percent of Homeless Students Living Doubled Up

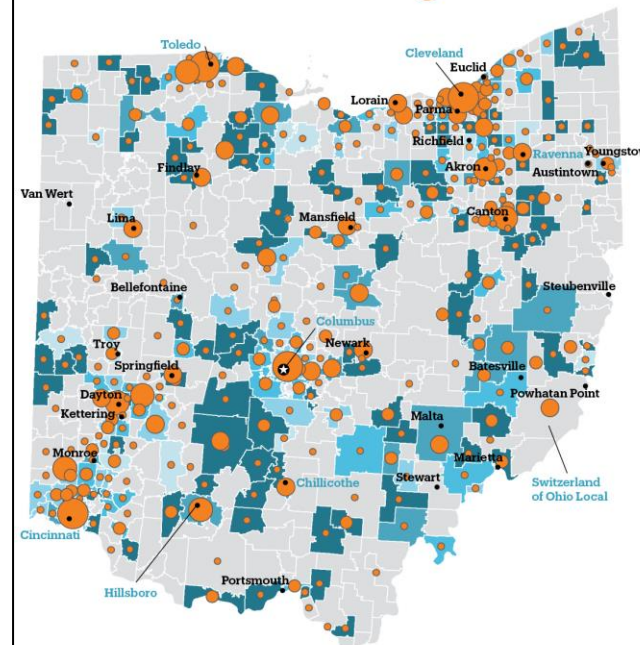
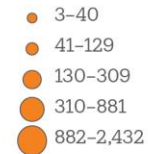


Statewide

Total homeless students:
27,939

Percent of homeless students doubled up:
76%

Total Homeless Students



- Ohio has 27,000+ students facing housing (and food) insecurities.
- Ohio has the 11th highest number of homeless students and the 41st highest rate of student homelessness in the nation.

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THE CINCINNATI MODEL



To work together and more effectively, Pathway to Success needs YOU!

- Assess homeless student need(s) and services.
- Establish a “*Community of Colleges*” with representatives from all three institutions.
- Create an Advisory Committee of both corporate and social service providers.
- Secure dedicated/perpetual institutional and city/county financial support.