

Opening Doors Initiative

BHcare was proud to participate in the National 100,000 Homes Campaign. Our community is one of 238 communities across the country that is striving to end homelessness by housing 100,000 people by July 30. The campaign has surpassed its goal permanently housing 101,628 individuals throughout the United States.

During the week of May 12, 182 volunteers conducted surveys of the homeless in 17 towns in the Greater New Haven area. Volunteers completed a total of 556 surveys (506 individuals and 50 families). BHcare participated in the challenge and succeeded in completing 29 surveys in the Valley, Shoreline and DV shelters. 10 staff and three community volunteers were trained in administering the surveys. The information gathered during "Registry Week" is now included in a centralized database in New Haven.

Our goal in the Greater New Haven region is to house 107 chronically homeless individuals by July 30. As a community we need to solve this challenge by increasing collaboration, using existing resources differently, creating new resources, and identifying solutions that are client-focused.

