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## **Lt. Governor Joins Local Partners to Highlight \$500,000 in Homeless Case Management Services Grants**

Lt. Governor Rebecca Kleefisch today joined partners in Milwaukee and Racine to highlight \$500,000 in Homeless Case Management Services Grants that have been awarded to 10 organizations across Wisconsin.

"Today is a great day not just for the organizations that are on the front lines of efforts to end and prevent homelessness in our communities, but for the additional families who can now be provided with the supports they need to achieve financial stability and brighter futures for themselves, their children and, ultimately, future generations," Lt. Governor Kleefisch said. "Together, we will continue working hard to reduce the number of individuals who are homeless in Wisconsin, as one family without housing, employment and financial stability is one too many."

Lt. Governor Kleefisch recognized partners at events hosted by two organizations that each received \$50,000 in grant funding: Community Advocates in Milwaukee, and HALO Inc. in Racine. Representatives from the Salvation Army of Milwaukee and Family Promise of Washington County (West Bend), both of whom are grant recipients, were also recognized at the Milwaukee event.

Under the grant program, which was authorized in the state 2017-19 budget, 10 agencies across the state were each awarded \$50,000 to provide intensive case management services to homeless families.

The services focus on providing financial management, employment, ensuring school continuation for children, and enrolling unemployed or underemployed parents in W-2 or the Foodshare employment and training program. The grant is administered through Wisconsin Department of Administration, Division of Energy, Housing and Community Resources (DEHCR).

"Community Advocates is truly grateful to be a recipient of the Homeless Case Management Services Grant program," said Andi Elliott, CEO of Community Advocates. "This grant will support our work with families as they move from homelessness to housing and economic stability."

"The Homeless Case Management Services Grant program will permit us to strengthen our ability to provide a more intensive level of case management and access to resources for our families at HALO," said Gai Lorenzen, Executive Director of HALO Inc. "We are very thankful to be selected for the grant, and the opportunities it will provide to help families experiencing homelessness become self-sufficient and maintain stable housing."

Under the competitive grant program, DEHCR will award up to 10 grants per year, with each one totaling up to \$50,000.

Organizations from Appleton, Green Bay, Madison, Manitowoc, New Richmond and Portage also received the \$50,000 grants. The full list of 2018 award recipients is available [online](#).

For more information about the program and eligibility criteria is available at DOA's [website](#).

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