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Greetings!

Our hearts are filled with gratitude for all of your support for our recent Legislative Action Day at the State House! We had 200 people with us: families, youth, and adults with lived experience of homelessness, providers, advocates, legislators, and other people of conscience, all speaking up for solutions to homelessness, housing instability, and poverty, and taking action to ensure that everyone has a place to call home.

We are especially grateful to all of our event volunteers, including planning team member Charles Dietrick, and speakers: community members with lived experience of homelessness, legislators, and advocates (see the speaker list below). Check out some photos from the day.

We also are very thankful to everyone who met and/or called legislators and staff in the afternoon to advocate for key homelessness and housing bill and budget priorities. Links to fact sheets on the Coalition's key FY'20
budget requests and 2019-2020 bill priorities are on our policy campaigns page.

** Please let us know how your experience was at Legislative Action Day by completing this brief survey. **

If you did speak with legislators and staff, please complete the legislative response form. If you didn't, it is not too late! Please contact your State Representative and State Senator and/or their staff in the week ahead to express your support for the Coalition's budget and bill priorities. Ask your State Senator and State Representative to actively support these priorities throughout the FY'20 budget process and this bill session. Legislators' contact information can be found at www.malegislature.gov/people/search or at www.wheredoivotema.com. Here are some other tips for talking to legislative offices.

** Please also help us expand the impact of Legislative Action Day by signing and sharing our one-minute online action to legislators in support of key FY'20 budget priorities. Do you prefer to print, sign, and mail your action? A printable version is here, with mailing addresses available at the contact links above. **

From across the Commonwealth, we raised our voices, with one message, and took action to end homelessness. Let's continue to build up that momentum!

Thank you for your partnership and solidarity!

With gratitude,

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