

The Road Home COVID Statement - May 18, 2020

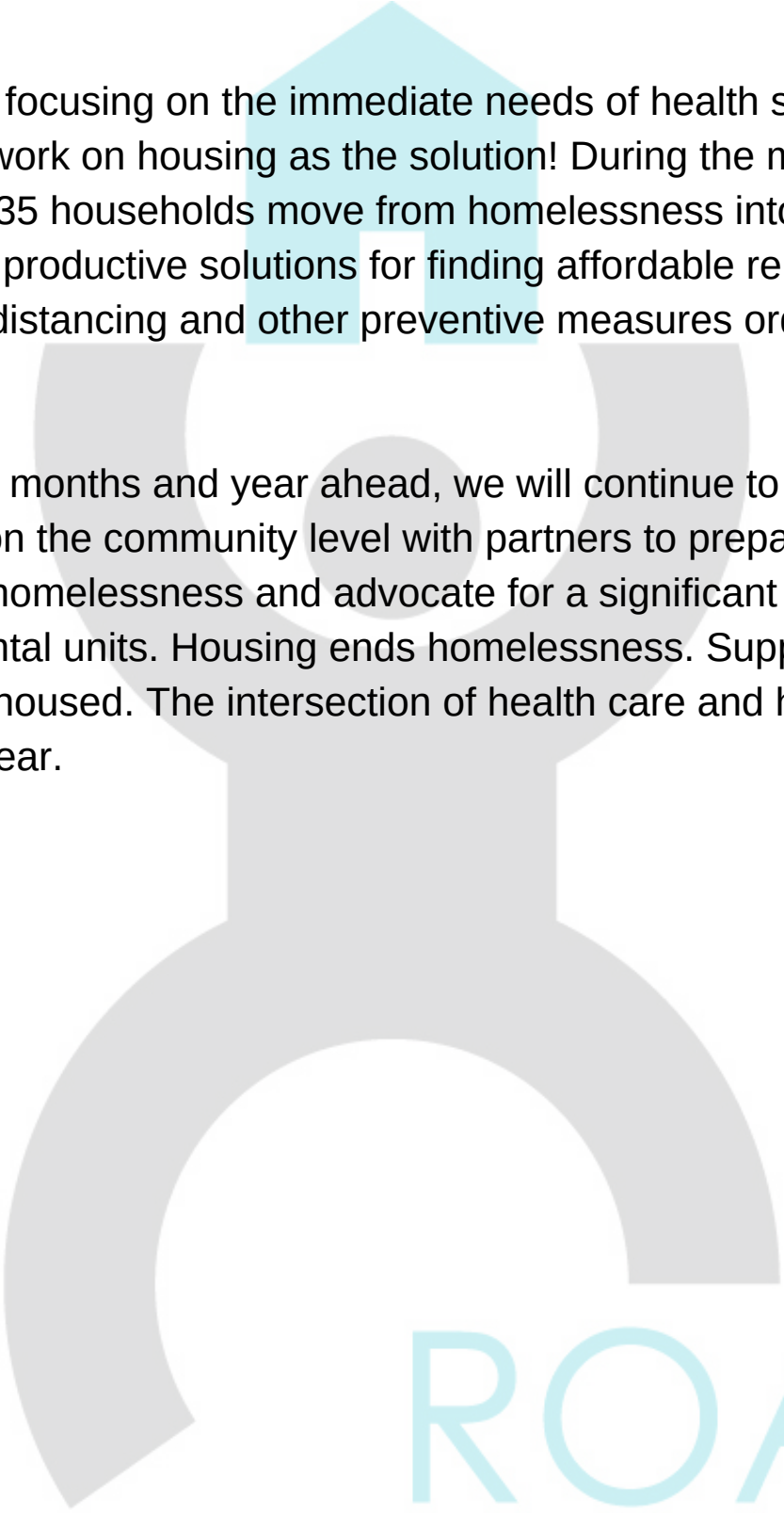
The Road Home is continuing to implement our COVID-19 mitigation and management plan. Each week, and often each day, we are adding new measures to help prevent the spread of COVID-19 and support those who contract the virus.

Our team is working on the forefront of this health crisis. The people we serve in our programs have a high level of vulnerability and we are implementing social distancing where possible with those who are without a home and living in congregate facilities.

We have had positive results from COVID-19 testing for people who were staying at the Men's Resource Center and the Midvale Family Resource Center. We are working closely with our partners at the Salt Lake County Health Department and COVID-19 Command Response for each of these instances. We are able to provide support to the health department contact tracing efforts and are partnering to hold onsite testing events as needed at both facilities. Those who need to be quarantined or isolated are provided those alternate locations through Salt Lake County.

Our team is identifying individuals experiencing homelessness who are at high risk due to age and health conditions and referring them to the "Stay Home, Stay Safe" motel program to allow for appropriate social distancing.

We have developed consistent, enhanced cleaning and disinfecting processes, staggered meal times, taped off floor distances, reduced the number of tables and chairs while spreading out the remainder, installed protective screens and creative barriers, provided appropriate personal protective equipment to our team members, completed a building review to identify any potential improvements and implemented bed positioning and barrier planning.



While we are focusing on the immediate needs of health safety, we have not stopped our work on housing as the solution! During the month of April, our team helped 35 households move from homelessness into housing. We implemented productive solutions for finding affordable rentals and still adhere to the social distancing and other preventive measures ordered in Salt Lake County.

In the weeks, months and year ahead, we will continue to work within our agency and on the community level with partners to prepare for potential increases in homelessness and advocate for a significant increase in affordable rental units. Housing ends homelessness. Support services help keep people housed. The intersection of health care and housing has never been more clear.

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