

# STATE of WISCONSIN



## OFFICE of the GOVERNOR

# Proclamation

*WHEREAS*; thousands of Wisconsinites experience homelessness, with an estimated more than 3,000 individuals experiencing homelessness in Wisconsin on any given day according to a 2021 report by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development; and

*WHEREAS*; individuals experiencing homelessness in Wisconsin include families, veterans, unaccompanied homeless youth, and chronically homeless individuals; and

*WHEREAS*; homelessness is a complex, systemic issue, which is why Wisconsin has been proud to support and advance initiatives to promote increased housing security, affordable housing availability, and homelessness shelter services in communities across the state, as well as invest in helping individuals with housing and utility costs to ensure that families can stay in their homes and keep the lights and heat on, especially during the cold winter months; and

*WHEREAS*; the Governor's Interagency Council on Homelessness also continues to work throughout the year to understand the housing challenges facing the state and the scope of homelessness in our communities, while providing comprehensive, evidence-based recommendations to prevent and end homelessness statewide; and

*WHEREAS*; every person deserves to have their basic needs met, and ensuring that every Wisconsinite has a safe and stable home is key to ensuring the health and well-being of our communities; and

*WHEREAS*; this month, the state of Wisconsin joins committed individuals and organizations throughout the state in recognizing the systemic issues that drive homelessness and in taking bold steps to meaningfully address housing insecurity in the state;


*NOW, THEREFORE*, I, Tony Evers, Governor of the State of Wisconsin,  
do hereby proclaim November 2022 as

## HOMELESSNESS AWARENESS MONTH

throughout the State of Wisconsin and I commend this observance  
to all our state's residents.



IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Wisconsin to be affixed. Done at the Capitol in the City of Madison this 25<sup>th</sup> day of October 2022.

  
TONY EVERS  
GOVERNOR

By the Governor:

  
DOUGLAS LA FOLLETTE  
Secretary of State