

**FURTHER REVISED
TENTATIVE
AGENDA***

2023 SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON HOMELESSNESS

November 9, 2023

**Thursday, November 9
All-Day Session**

Room 112-N—Statehouse

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- 10:00 a.m. Agenda Overview
- 10:02 a.m. Committee Members' Comments on Expectations
- 10:10 a.m. Legal Environment: Court Cases and Legal Restrictions, and Programs
- Jay Rodriguez, Assistant Attorney general, Legal Oversight and Government Counsel Division, Office of the Attorney General
 - Amanda Karras, Executive Director and General Counsel, International Municipal Lawyers Association (*virtual*)
- 10:35 a.m. Homelessness: The Individuals, the Causes, Living Situations, and Demographics
- Seth Wagoner, Chief Executive Officer/Chief Fiscal Officer, AIM Strategies
 - James Whitford, Executive Director, Watered Gardens; Founder and Chief Executive Officer, True Charity, Joplin, Missouri
 - Major Jana Kizzar, Topeka Police Department
 - Sergeant Matt Rose, Topeka Police Department
 - Terry Hund, Program Director, Project2Restore
 - Christina Ashie Guidry, JD, Director of Policy and Planning, United Community Services of Johnson County
- 11:20 a.m. Effect of Homelessness on Communities
- Major Jana Kizzar, Topeka Police Department
 - Sergeant Matt Rose, Topeka Police Department
 - Brady Flannery, President, Weaver's Department Store, Lawrence
 - Sarah Hill-Nelson, Owner, Bowersock Mills & Power Company
 - David Hawley, Owner, Papa Keno's Pizzeria, Lawrence
 - Brandon McGuire, Assistant City Manager, City of Lawrence (*virtual*)
- 12:30 p.m. Break; Working Lunch

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- 1:00 p.m. Lessons from Other Cities and States: Presentations, Panel Discussion, and Question and Answer
- Paul Webster, Former Senior Policy Advisor, U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development; Executive Director, Hope Street Coalition, San Diego, California; Executive Director, The LA Alliance for Human Rights, Los Angeles, California (*virtual*)
 - Scott Ackerson, Vice President of Strategic Relationships, Haven for Hope, San Antonio, Texas (*virtual*)
 - James Whitford, Executive Director, Watered Gardens; Founder and Chief Executive Officer, True Charity, Joplin, Missouri
 - Bill Riphahn, Chairperson, Shawnee County Commission
 - Joe Reitz, Founder, Lawrence Family Promise
- 3:00 p.m. Break
- 3:10 p.m. Update on Homelessness Programs; Resources
- Iraida Orr, Principal Research Analyst, Kansas Legislative Research Department
 - Memorandum on Homeless Programs in Kansas
 - Memorandum on Select States' Homelessness Rates and Statutes Applicable to People Experiencing Unsheltered Homelessness
- Written-only Resources
- Housing Services Memorandum, Kansas Department for Aging and Disability Services
 - House Program Information, Kansas Department of Education (KSDE)
 - Memorandum on KSDE's Role as Federal Flow-Through Agency and Funding Information
 - KSDE Fact Sheet on McKinney-Vento Homelessness Assistance Act
 - KSDE Fact Sheet on Allowable Uses of American Rescue Plan Act—Homeless Children and Youth Funds
 - KSDE Fact Sheet on Title I, Part A Homeless Children and Youth Set-asides [Elementary and Secondary Education Act]
 - Best Practices to End Homelessness, Kansas Statewide Homeless Coalition
- 3:25 p.m. Committee Member Discussion
- 3:50 p.m. Committee Recommendations
- 4:00 p.m. Adjourn