



THE CITY OF NEW YORK  
OFFICE OF THE MAYOR  
NEW YORK, N. Y. 10007

Executive Order No. 27

September 10, 1991

NEW YORK CITY COMMISSION ON HOMELESSNESS

By the power vested in me as Mayor of the City of New York, it is hereby ordered:

Section 1. Creation of Commission. There is hereby established a commission to conduct a comprehensive review of the problem of homelessness and to make recommendations as to more efficient and effective responses to this crisis. The members shall be appointed by and serve at the pleasure of the Mayor. The Mayor shall designate a chairperson from among the members of the Commission so appointed.

§2. Powers and duties. The Commission shall undertake a comprehensive assessment of the problem of homelessness, and, submit to the Mayor by January 31, 1992, a report setting forth its findings and making recommendations with respect to all aspects of homelessness, including:

- a) The prevention of homelessness;
- b) The need for a restructuring of current approaches to providing emergency housing for homeless persons;

c) The appropriate roles of the federal, state and local governments, and the private sector, in addressing the problem of homelessness;

d) The efficacy of federal and state regulation of local programs for homeless persons and the need for revision of such regulations;

e) Eligibility standards for emergency housing; and


f) Planning for the development of permanent housing opportunities for homeless persons.

While it shall review the entire system, the Commission shall give emphasis to assessing the problems of providing emergency housing to families and to responding to homeless persons now residing on the streets of New York.

§3. The Commission shall be empowered to gather information, take evidence, and hold whatever hearings, public or private, deemed appropriate by the Commission to ascertain the necessary facts.

§4. Cooperation of City Agencies. All departments and agencies of the City are directed to furnish the Commission with such facilities, services, and cooperation as it may request from time to time.

§5. This order shall take effect immediately.

  
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