



# Allentown

435 Hamilton Street  
Allentown, Pa. 18101

## Meeting Agenda - Final Commission on Homeless

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Wednesday, April 14, 2021

10:00 AM

Join Zoom Meeting

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### I. Welcome & Introductions

Tom Harrington

### II. Announcements

Tom Harrington

- a. Allentown City Council proposal to add a Homeless Prevention staff member
- b. Homeless Commission Book Club – First selection – “Evicted” by Matthew

Desmond

### III. American Rescue Plan

- a. What this plan will fund
- b. Projected funding amounts to Allentown and Lehigh County
- c. Goal: Coordinate spending plans across the Lehigh Valley

Allentown EAC March 2021 Meeting Minutes

Attachments: [Allentown EAC March 2021 Meeting Minutes](#)

### IV. Details on Additional Housing Options

Rob Nicolella

- a. Emergency Shelter Beds at local Motels/Hotels
  - i. \$410,000 would house 60 people/families in local motels for up to 120 nights
- b. Rapid Rehousing Housing Vouchers
  - i. \$250,000 would support 15-20 families/year
- c. Renovation of existing apartment buildings
  - i. \$1.7M for 15 new units, supporting 15 formerly chronically homeless
- d. Renovation of Blighted Properties
  - i. \$5M to create a housing land bank for 50 homeless families
    - 1. Average of \$100,000 in renovation cost per home

### V. Discussion/Questions

Open

### VI. Comments from Sub-Committee Chairs

**VII. Comments from Department Representatives of City of Allentown**

**VIII. Public Comments Open**

**IX. Next Meeting – Wednesday, May 12, 2021 – 10:00 am – 11:30 am**

**X. Adjourn**

**Future Meeting Dates**

- **April 14, 2021 – 6:00 pm – City Council Committee Meeting**
- **May 12, 2021 – Homeless Commission Meeting – 10:00 am – 11:30 am**