# 5 ways you can #StandUpForHomelessPeople

### Ensure homelessness is a priority for the new College of Commissioners

One of the most important jobs of newly elected MEPs is to elect the Commission President and vet the Commissioners-designate. Commissioners-designate appear before parliamentary committees in their prospective fields of responsibility. Each committee evaluates the candidates' expertise and performance. MEPs should use this critical moment to raise the issue of homelessness and ensure that the future Commission is ready to act on it.

### Address homelessness through your legislative work

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As the only democratically elected co-legislator at European level, the Parliament has a special responsibility to ensure that EU policy supports the fight against homelessness. MEPs should use all the tools available to them – reports, resolutions, questions etc. – to ensure that homelessness is properly taken into account in relevant EU policy, and take every opportunity to push for better progress on homelessness in the EU.

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### Join forces with other MEPs to ensure homelessness is a priority on the EU agenda

MEPs can have more impact by working together, across groups and Member States, to ensure that ending homelessness is a priority for the EU. FEANTSA would be delighted to support MEPs to develop an intergroup, or an informal group on homelessness to help move this issue forward.

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#### Work for an EU budget that tackles homelessness

MEPs should play their full role in ensuring the EU's annual budgets and the multi-annual financial framework provide every opportunity for action to tackle homelessness. MEPs can propose Pilot Projects or Preparatory Actions on homelessness during the annual budgetary process. They can help ensure that the relevant EU programmes and funds, especially the structural funds and the European investment programme, invest in ending homelessness.

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#### **Work with FEANTSA**

FEANTSA is the only European organisation dedicated to the fight against homelessness. We are available to support MEPs to understand and take action on homelessness.



