

## Save the date - A Way Home Inspiration Days

18 & 19 February 2020



## Preventing and Ending Youth Homelessness

### A Way Home Project: Building coalitions to prevent youth exclusion in the EU

With the European A Way Home project, the regions of Flanders and Carinthia and the cities of Antwerp and Villach improved their after care policies for young people and build coalitions to end and prevent youth homelessness. Leaving out of home care - but also other moments of transition - put young adults too often in vulnerable situations. They face exclusion from care, sustainable housing, work, education, ... and have a higher risk to become homeless. It is time for action against this violation of the human's rights: we need a cross-sectoral connection and engagement of all the stakeholders, both on policy level as on the level of organisations working directly with and for young people.

The project partners invite policy makers, service providers, researchers, networks, ... to the A Way Home inspiration days to build together coalitions to prevent and end youth exclusion in the EU. The program of the first day is in English, the second day in Dutch.

Speakers already confirmed for the 2 days:

Youngsters with lived experience in care, Cachet & Diakonie Austria / Melanie Redman, President & CEO A Way Home Canada / Caroline Vrijens, Children's Rights Commissioner in Flanders / Stephen Gaetz, Director Canadian Observatory on Homelessness & Professor York University Toronto / Bruno Vanobbergen, General Director of Flemish Agency responsible for Youth Care / Christine Gaschler, Head of Youth Welfare in Carinthia and chair of the Youth Care Platform / ...

**Participation is free. Registration will open soon.**  
**Deelname is gratis. Inschrijven kan voor de 2 dagen apart.**  
**Binnenkort inschrijven en programma updates via:**

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### 18/02/2020 - Final Conference A Way Home project (English program)

Kind & Gezin Academie, Hallepoortlaan 27 1060 Brussels

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How can the final results of the A Way Home project inspire other EU regions and countries to improve their after care policies and to end and prevent youth homelessness in their communities?

Presentations, panel discussions and workshops on:

- Strength-based policy framework on care leaving / tools and methods to prepare youngsters for leaving care / training program to support youth care providers in after care trajectories
- Starting A Way Home movements in your local context / bringing together coalition partners dedicated to preventing and ending youth homelessness / using the collective impact model to achieve a real change in the lives of young adults

### 19/02/2020 - Mind the Gap inspiratiedag (Nederlandstalig programma)

KAVKA, Oudaan 14 2000 Antwerpen

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Mind the Gap, de Antwerpse A Way Home coalitie die thuisloosheid bij jongvolwassenen in Antwerpen wil beëindigen, nodigt organisaties over heel Vlaanderen die met jongeren werken uit voor een interactieve en inspirerende dag:

- Hoe bouwen we aan onze coalitie van welzijn, wonen, onderwijs, huisvesting, vrije tijd, ...?
- Hoe ziet onze Roadmap die thuisloosheid bij jongvolwassenen voorkomt en beëindigt eruit?
- Welke concrete acties rollen we uit? Hoe brengen we de impact van deze acties in kaart?