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## NCH TO HOST QUARTERLY PUBLIC POLICY CALL ON JULY 8

*Call will take place Wednesday, July 8, at 4 p.m. ET.  
Call-in number is 1-866-740-1260; conference code 9119873.  
Please RSVP to [cbontrager@nationalhomeless.org](mailto:cbontrager@nationalhomeless.org).*

The National Coalition for the Homeless is pleased to announce the third installment in its series of Quarterly Public Policy Calls. As with previous calls, this hour-long session will be both informational and interactive. NCH will update participants on current public policy developments pertaining to homelessness. More importantly, we will use the call to gather feedback and answer questions from the field on current topics and on NCH's public policy positions.

The primary focus of the upcoming call will be a discussion of next steps on two important pieces of legislation that were enacted into law in May 2009. The first is the HEARTH Act, legislation **reauthorizing the HUD McKinney-Vento homeless assistance programs**; the second is the Protecting Tenants at Foreclosure Act, legislation **preventing low-income renters who live in foreclosed properties from becoming homeless**. NCH staff will provide information about the content of the enacted HEARTH Act, offer opportunities for homeless advocates and service providers to join NCH's advocacy efforts in the implementation process, and solicit input from participants on the call. Finally, a guest speaker will update listeners on the new tenant protection laws and answer any clarifying questions that arise.

Any individual who wants to engage with NCH on public policy matters is invited to participate. We especially welcome people who are currently experiencing, or have formerly experienced, homelessness; staff or volunteers of state and local homeless coalitions; staff of entities responsible for developing homelessness plans or continuum of care applications; homeless assistance service providers; and state and local policymakers.

For additional information or to register to participate in the conference call, please contact Charles Bontrager at 202.462.4822, ext. 228, or [cbontrager@nationalhomeless.org](mailto:cbontrager@nationalhomeless.org).

**The next call in this quarterly series will take place on October 14, 2009, at 4 p.m. Eastern Time.**