



Keynote Speaker
Representative Byron Rushing

Guest Speakers

Lizbeth Heyer, DHCD
*Associate Director of Public Housing
and Rental Assistance*

Formerly Homeless
Two first hand accounts of their journeys

Local Legislator Panel

**Rep. Tom Conroy, Rep. Carolyn Dykema,
Rep. Kay Khan, Rep. David Linsky,
Rep. Chris Walsh**

Participating Organizations

Chaplains on the Way

Church on the Hill

Cooperative Metropolitan Ministries(CMM)

Episcopal City Mission

First Church of Christ, Scientist (Wellesley)

Homes For Families

Interfaith Community for Action in Wellesley

Massachusetts Coalition for the Homeless

Metrowest Interfaith Hospitality Network

Project Just Because, Inc

The Salvation Army of Framingham

Temple Beth Elohim (Wellesley)

Advocacy Network to End Family Homelessness

U U Mass Action Network

Unitarian Universalists of Wellesley

Wellesley Congregational (Village) Church

Wellesley Friends Meeting

Wellesley Hills Congregational Church

Women of Means

The Crisis of Homelessness in Massachusetts

“TOGETHER WE CAN HELP”

The MetroWest Homelessness Forum

Sunday, March 18, 2012, 2:30-5:00 PM

Wellesley Congregational (Village) Church

2 Central Street, Wellesley



**Homelessness in Massachusetts
is increasing rapidly, even in Our Towns!**

Individual and family homelessness is at crisis levels in Massachusetts with increasing home foreclosures and high unemployment. Over 42,000 families sought state housing assistance last year. Rep Byron Rushing, Co-Chair of the Mass. Commission to End Homelessness, will be the keynote speaker at *The MetroWest Homelessness Forum*. Attendees will hear about successes, innovations, and future growth plans of local and regional programs which focus on avoiding homelessness through prevention and also about rapid re-housing of families from shelters. Come and learn how you can help. The forum is free and open to all.

HEAR the vision for a new system where priority is given to homes for individuals and families; shelters are used only for emergency transitions.

SEE how that vision is being implemented despite limited funding and budget cuts.

LEARN how congregations, organizations and individuals can help homeless people through direct service and help prevent and end homelessness by legislative advocacy.

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