## Greater Bristol County/Attleboro/Taunton Coalition to End Homelessness (GBCATCH)

## Vision Statement

The Greater Bristol County/Attleboro /Taunton Coalition to End Homelessness (GBCATCH) envisions a region where safe, affordable, sustainable, quality housing choices are available for all of our residents.

## Mission Statement

Our mission is to eliminate homelessness in our communities by helping homeless individuals and families move into safe, affordable housing that meets basic quality standards and to ensure that adequate resources and comprehensive services are available to help those in need.

We do this by advocating for homeless individuals and families; enlisting the cooperation of homeless providers and organizations; increasing access to resources, maintaining statistical data on homeless populations, and providing supportive services and empowerment strategies to help individuals and families integrate into our communities.

## **Guiding Principles**

**GBCATCH** acknowledges that safe, affordable, sustainable, and quality housing is a basic human need and that effective homelessness solutions include:

- 1. Treating all participants with respect and dignity
- 2. Honoring participants' choice;
- 3. Increasing access to: services that foster self sufficiency, opportunities for employment, and safe, affordable, sustainable, quality housing;
- 4. Providing supportive services that are client centered, individually tailored;
- 5. Including a prevention component in our planning and service delivery whenever possible;
- 6. Engaging in Private and Public partnerships.