

NOVEMBER 2026

NATIONAL HOMELESS YOUTH AWARENESS MONTH (NHYAM) SAMPLE CALENDAR OF ACTIVITIES

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1	2 Use a HETAC NHYAM social media graphic to share about NHYAM on your social media outlet of choice. Encourage friends and colleagues to learn more.	3 Use a HETAC NHYAM Zoom background in an upcoming Zoom meeting. For variety, switch up the Zoom backgrounds throughout the month.	4 Use this email signature: November is National Homeless Youth Awareness Month. Learn how you can help support students experiencing homelessness at hetac.org .	5 Learn about data on education and homelessness by reviewing Chapin Hall's Missed Opportunities: Education Among Youth Experiencing Homelessness in America .	6 Get to know Runaway and Homeless Youth Act programs in your area. Reach out to connect and learn about possible donation needs.	7
8	9 Learn key outreach and identification strategies by reading the HETAC's Identifying Students Without Stable Housing: A Critical First Step tip sheet.	10 Post homeless education posters in your school, district, or organization to generate greater awareness. Access posters on the HETAC website .	11 Learn about homeless shelters in your area. Reach out to connect and learn about possible donation needs. (Click "shelter", enter your zip code, and search.).	12 Today is Go Green Day for Youth HOPE Month . Wear green and share about it on social media using #YouthHOPEMonth and #WearGreenDay .	13 Learn more about the prevalence and needs of students experiencing homelessness by reviewing highlights from recent Youth Risk Behavior Surveys .	14
15	16 Use the HETAC School-Community Partner inventory to gather and organize information about local partners serving students and families experiencing homelessness.	17 Learn about the help available to youth through the California Coalition for Youth's CA Youth Crisis Line or the National Runaway Safeline . Share this information with youth in crisis.	18 Register for an upcoming HETAC webinar to learn more about the education of students experiencing homelessness.	19 Reach out to a college near you to learn about possible donations for students in need or consider donating to SchoolHouse Connection's Scholarship Program .	20 Choose a HETAC resource (tip sheet, archived webinar, or other resource) on a topic of interest to you to review and begin using in your work.	21
22	23 Check out the National Low Income Housing Coalition's Out of Reach webpage to learn about the cost of housing in your area and how it may contribute to homelessness.	24 Watch a brief video on youth or family homelessness from the HETAC awareness videos webpage and share it with colleagues.	25 Learn about basic needs insecurity among college students from the University of California , California State University , or California Community College system.	26 HAPPY THANKSGIVING! Consider donating to or volunteering at a local food pantry feeding people in need. (Click "food pantries", enter your zip code, and search.)	27 POST-THANKSGIVING REST AND REFLECT Take time to rest and reflect on what you're grateful for and how you can share with others to help meet their needs.	28
29	30 Learn about family homelessness by visiting the Sesame Workshop Homelessness webpage .					



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