



The Massachusetts Appleseed Center for Law and Justice  
*Second Annual Conference*

***Targeted Interventions: Meeting the Needs of Unaccompanied Homeless Youth***

8:00 – 8:30 AM: Registration & Light Breakfast
8:30 – 8:45 AM: Welcome by Michael D'Orsi and Joan Meschino, Mass Appleseed 8:45 – 9:15 AM: Keynote: Christina Murphy, National Center on Family Homelessness 9:15 – 9:25 AM: <i>Unaccompanied, Unidentified and Uncounted: Developing Strategies to Meet the Needs of America's Homeless Youth</i> , a Report by MA Appleseed and National Appleseed, Edwin Darden, National Appleseed
10 minute break
9:35 – 10:25 AM: Panel Discussion: <i>Unique Vulnerabilities Call for Targeted Interventions</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Moderator: Katya Fels Smyth, Full Frame Initiative</li> <li>• Health Care: John Gatto, JRI Health</li> <li>• Education: Sarah Slautterback, Massachusetts Department of Elementary and Secondary Education</li> <li>• Housing: Lisa Goldsmith, DIAL/SELF Youth and Community Services</li> <li>• Social Justice: Edwin Darden, National Appleseed</li> </ul>
10 minute break
10:35 – 11:35 PM: Breakout Sessions and Locations <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Session #1 (Dolan):</b> <i>Creating a Comprehensive Definition of Unaccompanied Homeless Youth</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Liz Rogers, Massachusetts Interagency Council on Housing and Homelessness</li> <li>○ Kathy Betts, Executive Office of Health and Human Services, Children, Youth and Families</li> </ul> </li> <li>• <b>Session #2 (Brink):</b> <i>Identifying Unaccompanied Homeless Youth: Deriving Data from an Accurate Count</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Laurie Ross, Clark University</li> </ul> </li> <li>• <b>Session #3 (D. Dorr):</b> <i>Accessing Vital Services: Mandatory Reporting as an Inadvertent Barrier</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Mark Evans, Bridge Over Troubled Waters</li> </ul> </li> <li>• <b>Session #4 (Smith):</b> <i>Comprehensive Programs and the Importance of a Wrap-Around Approach</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Danielle Ferrier, Rediscovery Inc.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
11:40 AM – 11:55 AM: Learning from Others: Reports from Breakout Sessions <b>(Smith)</b>
11:55– 12:00 PM: Closing Remarks