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AS CITY SPENDING INCREASES, HOUSING VOUCHERS OFFER A HUMANE AND EFFICIENT SOLUTION TO ONGOING ASYLUM-SEEKER CRISIS

NEW YORK, NY — Christine C. Quinn, President & CEO of Win, the largest provider of housing and supportive services for homeless families with children in New York City and the nation, issued the following statement today in response to [new City data released this week](#) showing that City spending on the asylum-seeker crisis will soon exceed \$5 billion for fiscal years 2023 and 2024. Previous estimates from the Administration projected that costs [could reach more than \\$12 billion by FY 2025](#).

“The need for a coordinated and compassionate response to the asylum-seeker crisis across all levels of government has never been more urgent,” said **Christine Quinn, President & CEO of Win**. “As City spending continues to increase, we need to double down on the common-sense policy solutions we know work, like expanding access to housing vouchers, better employment opportunities, and protecting the right to shelter rather than stopgap measures that fail to serve our most vulnerable.”

As an alternative, [Win has released a policy platform](#) that advances a coordinated, humane, and fiscally responsible approach from the city, state, and federal government. Most critically, [the City could save up to \\$3.5 billion in asylum-seeking housing costs](#) if it and the state were to expand access to housing vouchers through City FHEPS and other statewide voucher programs. [According to estimates from the Comptroller’s office](#), the cost of a nightly stay at a non-DHS emergency shelter is \$404. Comparatively, a CityFHEPs voucher [would only cost the City \\$72 a night](#).

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