

## WIN CEO CHRISTINE QUINN RESPONDS TO REPORTS ON POSSIBLE CLOSURE OF FLOYD BENNETT FIELD SHELTER AMID FEDERAL THREATS

President & CEO Christine Quinn urges holistic resettlement plan for newest arrivals

**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 in response to <u>reporting</u> that the Adams Administration is considering closing the migrant shelter at Floyd Bennett Field amid concerns the facility could be targeted by the Trump administration.

"As New York prepares to counter the impacts of a radical mass deportation policy likely to be enacted by the incoming Trump administration, Win commends the Adams administration for taking a critical step to protect migrants by making plans to close a migrant shelter on Floyd Bennett Field. Beyond serving to protect migrants, closing this shelter, which lies in a flood zone susceptible to storms and wind, is the right and humane thing to do.

At this moment, it is imperative that we move away from stopgap measures to this crisis and prioritize a comprehensive resettlement plan inclusive of trauma-informed services for our newest arrivals. We must use this opportunity to invest in legal resources that will allow migrants to gain access to work authorization and housing vouchers, enabling them to leave shelter and seek permanent housing on their own accord. We urge the Mayor to embrace holistic solutions to protect and resettle our newest arrivals today."

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## About Win

Win is the largest provider of shelter and supportive housing for families experiencing homelessness in New York City and the nation, operating 16 shelters and over 450 units of supportive housing across all five boroughs. For over 40 years, Win has provided safe housing, trauma-informed services, and innovative programs to help families rebuild their lives. In the past year, Win served nearly 10,300 homeless people – including over 5,600 children – and helped almost 900 families transition out of shelter into homes of their own.