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East Providence set to launch RI's 3rd 'Situation Table'

City seeks community collaborators to take up the cause

EAST PROVIDENCE, R.I. – The City of East Providence is preparing to launch the state's 3rd Situation Table, a collaborative meeting model to proactively address complex situations involving the communities most vulnerable population. The Situation Table will collaborate with qualified local organizations, agencies and non profits to create a unique, risk-based, rapid triage model that brings together service providers to address the needs of individuals or families facing Acutely Elevated Risk (AER).

The City of East Providence will be hosting a free two-day training on September 24th and 25th at City Hall located at 145 Taunton Ave., and any organizations that are interested in participating are encouraged to register at the following link . **https://tinyurl.com/zmhs5vxf**

Some of the types of agencies that will be involved with the Situation Table are those who specialize in:

- Mental Health
- Addictions
- Police
- Education
- Income Assistance
- Housing
- Victim Services
- Health
- Community-Based Organizations

- Child & Family Services
- Culturally Specific Services

The goal of the Situation Table is to address individuals and families at high risk for acute issues like homelessness, mental health crises, or substance abuse, before a crisis escalates and to connect at-risk individuals with needed services before they slip through the cracks.

Front-line human service and justice professionals will come together once a week for 90 minutes to consider potential situations of AER in a collaborative setting, and upon consensus, identify which agencies need to be involved in a supportive intervention.

Agency participants should include, but are not limited to, community-based organizations, schools, child welfare, youth services, hospitals, fire/EMS, mental and behavioral health, treatment facilities, peer recovery, housing, public safety, public health, courts, correctional facilities, city government, and local attorneys.