

# KNOW YOUR RIGHTS

**Right** to use and move freely in public spaces, including, but not limited to, public sidewalks, public parks, public transportation and public buildings, in the same manner as any other person.

**Right** to equal treatment by all state and municipal agencies, including but not limited to, public libraries, police, RIPTA, EMS, city and town halls and the state house.

**Right** employment nondiscrimination while seeking or maintaining employment due to the lack of permanent mailing address, mailing address being that of a shelter or social service provider, or because they know or think you to be experiencing homelessness.

**Right** to emergency medical care free from discrimination. You cannot be denied medical care or emergency services because of your housing status. You have the right to be treated when you seek medical attention.

**Right** to vote at your local polling place, register to vote, and receive documentation necessary to prove identity for voting without discrimination because of your lack of address.

**Right** to confidentiality and protection from disclosure of records and information, including but not limited to: shelter sign-in lists, service provider records, waiting lists, and medical records without appropriate legal authority.

**Right** to a reasonable expectation of privacy (protected from search or seizure) of your personal belongings, such as a backpack or a tent, to the same extent as if you were in a house.