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## Utah wins award for homeless efforts

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Utah's effort to eliminate chronic homelessness by 2014 has garnered national attention at the Council of State Community Development Agencies conference this week. The Utah Division of Housing and Community Development will be honored with the Sterling Achievement Award, which recognizes achievement over time to improve the live of low-income residents.

A 10-year plan that includes a massive housing and case management push has led to the decline of the chronically or frequently homeless population by 58 percent.

"The results of our Ten-Year Plan to End Chronic Homelessness show a commitment between government, non-profit and private agencies in eliminating chronic homelessness," said Gordon Walker, the division's director, said in a statement.

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