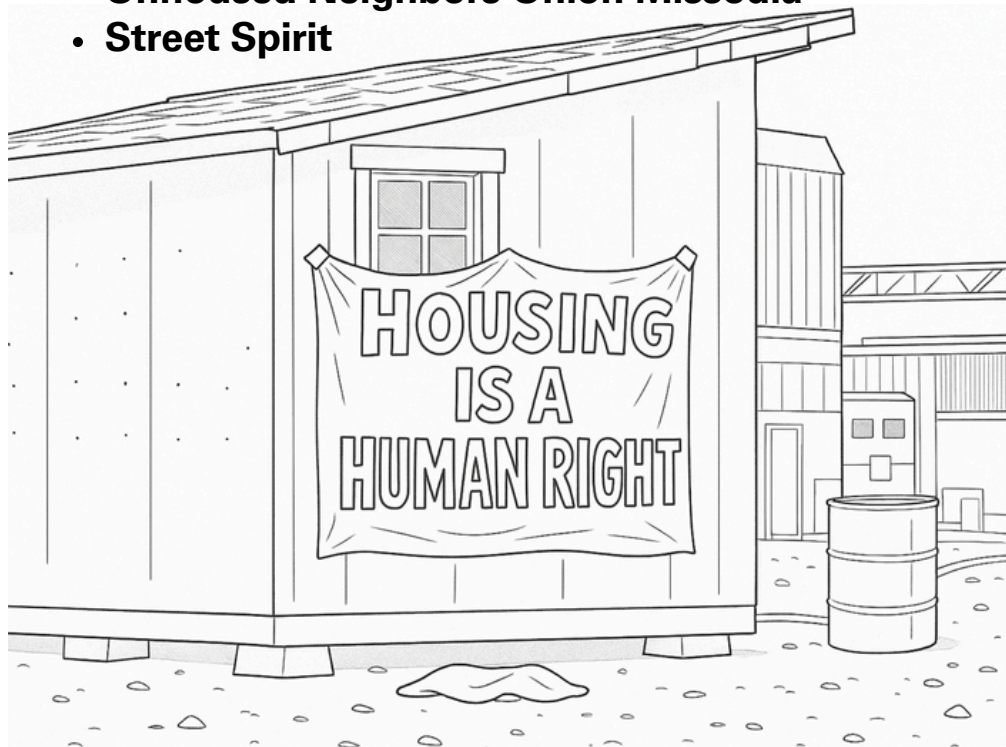


# Join the Fight for Our Right to Dignity & Respect!

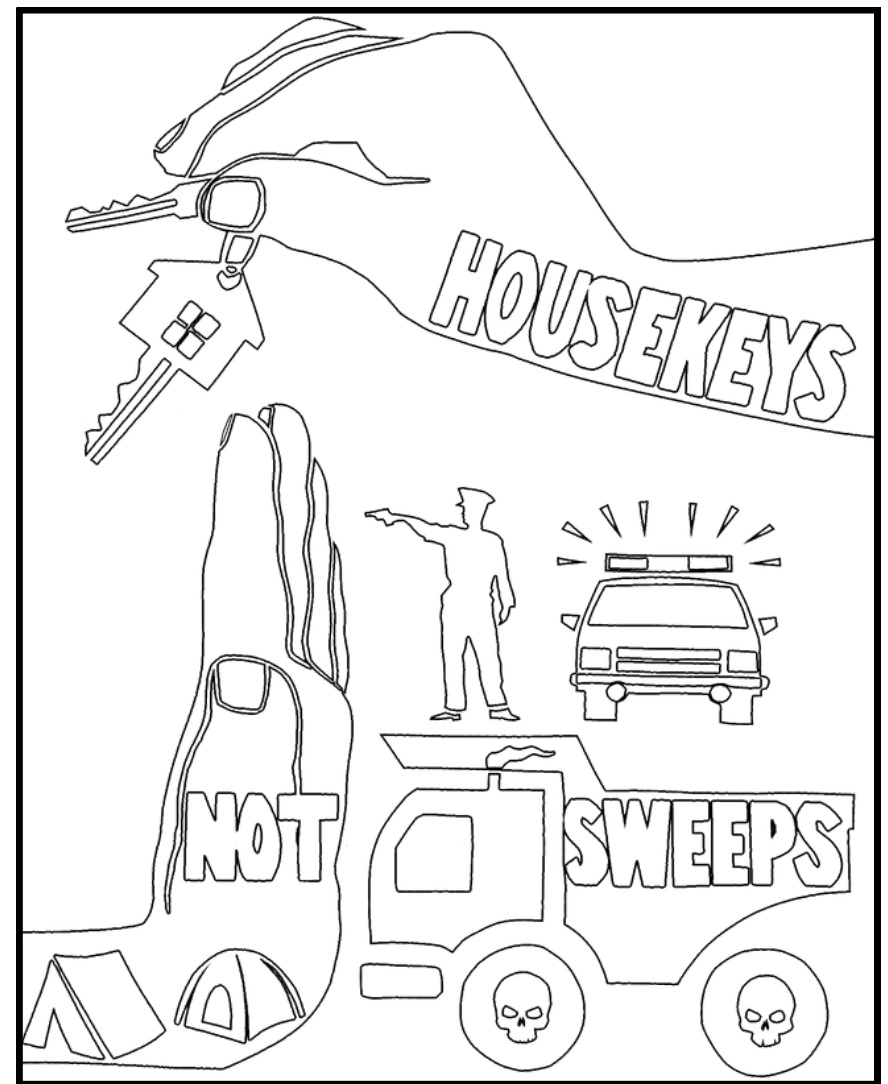
Get connected with a WRAP Member Today!

- Coalition on Homelessness, San Francisco
- Housekeys Action Network Denver
- Human Right to Housing Collective
- Judi's Midnight Diner
- Los Angeles Community Action Network
- Love & Justice in the Streets
- Unhoused Neighbors Union Missoula
- Street Spirit



**QR code takes you to our Sweeps website!**

Reach out to WRAP & we can connect you with a Member organization, assist your local organizing & plug you into our outreach effort!



## FIGHT SWEEPS & ORGANIZE

A coloring book to help understand sweeps, how organizers fight back against the criminalization, destruction of private property and banishment of poor & homeless people from our communities.

Contact Us: [wrap@wraphome.org](mailto:wrap@wraphome.org)

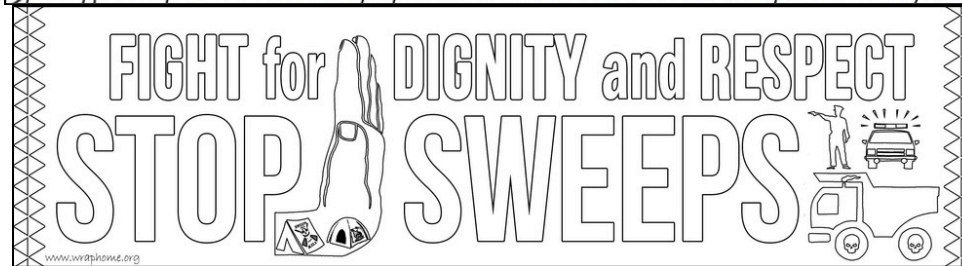


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# BREAKING DOWN WHAT SWEEPS ARE

- The forced disbanding of homeless communities & removal of homeless individuals from an area.
- The threat or use of force, arrest, citation, and/or destruction of property to coerce homeless communities to disband or individuals to disappear.
- The theft or destruction of property, including vehicles.

**... OR ANY COMBINATION OF THE ABOVE**



**Banishment** (*verb*): the action of getting rid of something unwanted; the punishment of being sent away from a place

# YOUR FIGHT IS MY FIGHT!

*Staying Accountable to Our Community.*

Since fall 2024, WRAP members have been engaged in a sweeps outreach initiative.

**300 OUTREACH FORMS  
COMPLETED ACROSS 6 CITIES!**



Community based outreach is what identifies the priorities and what keeps organizations accountable to the community!

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# DON'T TAKE OUR HOMES

## SWEEPS ARE ONLY A SYMPTOM OF THE LARGER PROBLEM

Trying to solve homelessness with criminalization, erasure & band-aid solutions will only lead to dead ends.

**73%**  
had their  
vehicles  
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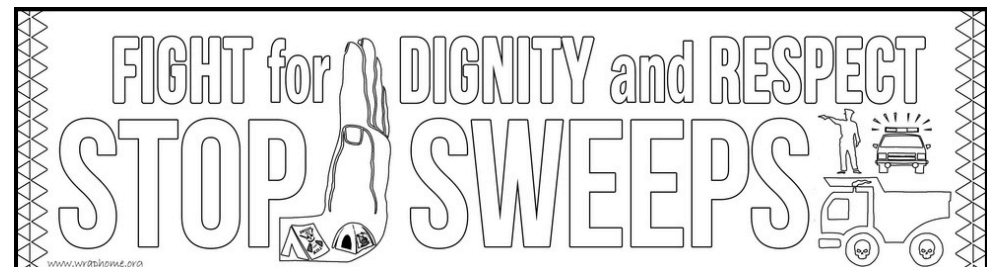
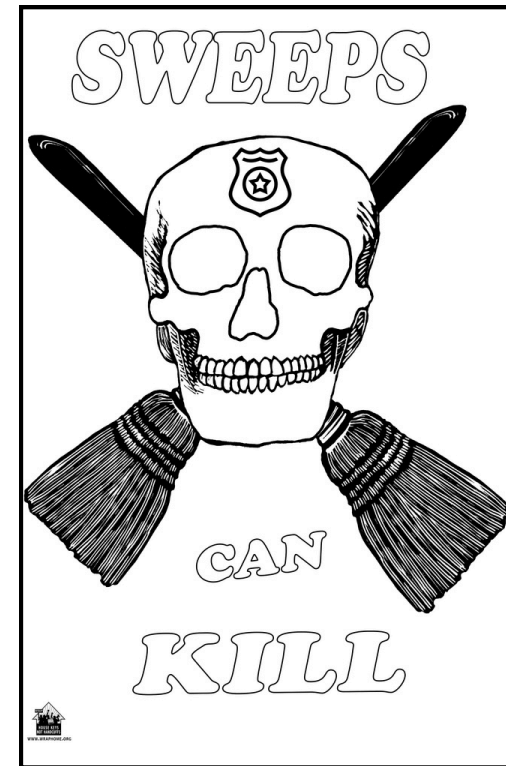
**95%**  
No access  
to legal  
services

**74%** of sweeps were  
conducted by police

Where did people end up  
after being swept?

**77%** Ended up back  
living on the streets

*Nothing ends homelessness  
like a home!*



# OUTREACH TRENDS

Sweeps are **dehumanizing**, result in **violence** & are a tool to **criminalize** unhoused people.

**71%** NO advance notice of a sweep

**40%** Threatened with arrest!

**88%** No service offered!

**74%** Reported belongings thrown away at the time of the sweep



*What is important for the broader community to understand about sweeps?*  
**#1 answer was simply "We are human."**

