

## **‘Faces of Homeless Women’ Panel April 14 at Stockton Atlantic City Campus**

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**Galloway, N.J.** – The William J. Hughes Center for Public Policy and Atlantic County Advisory Commission on Women are cosponsoring a panel discussion, “The Many Faces of Homeless Women,” which will explore the challenges facing area women who are homeless.

The event will be held from 4:30-6 p.m. Thursday, April 14, at the Stockton Atlantic City John F. Scarpa Academic Center, 3711 Atlantic Ave. Atlantic City. It is free and open to the public and will also be livestreamed on the Hughes Center website, [stockton.edu/hughes-center](http://stockton.edu/hughes-center).

The panel members are:

- **John McLernon**, Director, Social Services Atlantic County Dept. of Family & Community Development. (retired)
- **Christine Zoda-Egizi**, LCSW, Director of Atlantic Homeless Alliance & Justice Involved Services for Jewish Family Services
- **Kay Petrecca**, Community & Government Relations Representative at Atlantic City Rescue Mission, and a ACRM client
- **Claudia Ratzlaff**, CEO, Avanzar (formerly The Women’s Center).

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The Atlantic City Rescue Mission was founded in 1964 in Atlantic City. ACRM helps thousands of homeless and working poor people each year and is the largest provider of comprehensive services to about 25% of the homeless population in New Jersey.

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