

**Priority question for written answer P-002170/2020
to the Commission**
Rule 138
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Subject: Homelessness and Covid-19

Organisations assisting homeless people are drawing attention to the plight of such people during the Covid-19 crisis

People who are homeless, who are already in a very vulnerable position physically, are now daily exposed to the risk of infection with coronavirus, without any protection.

Measures are urgently needed to improve the conditions in which homeless people live and to provide the appropriate and necessary protection for their health.

1. What practical action and measures will the Commission take to respond as a matter of urgency to the specific needs of homeless people during the current Covid-19 crisis and future pandemics?
2. Will the Commission allocate appropriations from the following funds (FEAD, ESF, Solidarity Fund, European Civil Protection Mechanism) in order to assist homeless people and help to meet the needs of organisations providing assistance, and how will it do so?
3. Is DG-SANTE planning measures to help Member States to protect homeless people against Covid-19, such as special guidelines issued by the ECDC?