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Joint Statement from Legal Aid, Coalition for the Homeless in Response to Reporting that NYC DOI is Reviewing an Alleged Cover-Up Involving Potential Additional Violations of Law at the City's Shelter Intake Facilities

(NEW YORK, NY) – The Legal Aid Society and the Coalition for the Homeless, in response to a [report](#) that the New York City Department of Investigation is reviewing an alleged cover-up involving potential additional violations of law at the City's shelter intake facilities that have taken place since the City acknowledged it violated the law on July 17, 2022, when it left four families to sleep overnight in the intake office for families with children:

“The Adams Administration has been anything but forthright and transparent on this crisis, and the endless and confusing pivots warrant a spotlight. We welcome the news of a review by the New York City Department of Investigation into any potential additional violations of law concerning the City's shelter intake processes.

The City has still refused to provide us timely data, information we know is readily available, since the initial breaches of law first occurred weeks ago, which raises additional concerns. Our clients, homeless New Yorkers, including the newly arrived families and individuals from the southern border, are entitled to these long-standing protections that the City must provide.”

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