

Inquiry into Homelessness in Victoria

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Organisation Name:
Your position or role:

SURVEY QUESTIONS

Drag the statements below to reorder them. In order of priority, please rank the themes you believe are most important for this inquiry into homelessness to consider::

Housing affordability,Family violence,Public housing,Services,Indigenous people,Employment,Mental health,Rough sleeping

What best describes your interest in our Inquiry? (select all that apply) :

Concerned citizen ,Working in the health sector

Are there any additional themes we should consider?

YOUR SUBMISSION

Submission:

Homelessness needs to be addressed by providing stable housing. Provision of a stable place to call home is essential when you're getting back on your feet. The "Housing First" strategy has been successful in saving lives in Finland. It saves the health system money, and works at the roots to solve a growing problem. A home should be the secure foundation that makes it easier to solve your problems.

At Rukkila, a public house set-up in Finland, seven staff support 21 tenants. People experiencing homelessness need practical help navigating bureaucracy and getting education, training and work placements to activities including visits and learning – or re-learning – basic life skills such as cleaning and cooking.

Australia is a model in funding hospitals to treat people's physical conditions. Surely we have the insight to fund proven services that treat the roots of social conditions. If we fail to prevent chronic homelessness, we pay for it in the future with hospital beds.

Do you have any additional comments or suggestions?:

Please act out of love first, even if it is confronting or unpopular. We only move forward because of policies made from love, not fear.

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