



Over the last three months, Street to Home worked with people sleeping rough to identify their needs and assisted with housing, access to health, financial relief, legal support and other aspects of wellbeing. Many people supported by Street to Home had been sleeping rough for more than six months, or had complex health and social needs.

Moving from street to home



116 people

have been supported into housing in the last year through Street to Home



87%

of people supported into housing have retained their tenancy

Partnerships and collaboration

Over the past few months, Street to Home has been working closely with the amazing staff from the DASSA Aboriginal Connections Program (ACP). This partnership has assisted the Street to Home teams to support Aboriginal people sleeping rough to:

- Connect to homelessness support services
- Be included on the By-Name List through completion of the VISPDAT
- Connect to alcohol and other drug supports.

The partnership has been vital in creating positive and trusting relationships with Aboriginal people sleeping rough, which enables people to identify and express their housing and health needs.

We are grateful for the opportunity to work alongside ACP and look forward to further strengthening our partnership.



Street to Home acknowledges the Traditional Custodians of the land we work on and pays its respects to Elders past, present and emerging.

We celebrate, value and include people of all backgrounds, genders, sexualities, cultures, bodies and abilities.

The complexity of rough sleeping

Of all the people supported by Street to Home over the last three months:

90%

were experiencing homelessness

86%

presented for the first time

75%

were male

63%

were receiving Newstart

35%

identified as Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander

27%

were receiving a disability support pension

Street Connect



Street to Home has been part of the co-design and implementation of Street Connect. The South Australian Housing Authority website allows people who see someone experiencing homelessness to drop a pin of their location. The site alerts Street to Home of the area and within 24 hours someone from the team can come to check on anyone present. The technology helps to connect people with services and add them to the Zero Project By-Name List.

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Medical support intervention

Our Clinical team supports people experiencing or at risk of homelessness through medical support and clinical intervention.



80%

of people sleeping rough experience physical health issues*

Improved medical care

Since January 2019, the Clinical team has supported a rising number of acute wound care presentations, with subsequent medical intervention, education and care being provided for people experiencing homelessness in the CBD.



80%

of people sleeping rough experience mental health issues*

Accessing mental health support

Our clinical team have developed a strong relationship with the Brian Burdekin GP Clinic, with a steady increase in the number of people being referred for Mental Health Treatment plans, which are in turn enabling people to access additional psychosocial supports as needed.

**Information is taken from 199 people we connected with this period.*

Paula's story



"I was homeless and I was just on rock bottom. I had nowhere to go. I was seeing a social worker and instead of my appointment she got me the number for Street to Home and I went in [to the Hub] and saw them.

"It was scary at first. But it was all right. They were there to listen, even just to vent to. They've worked with me for the last like 12 months, and they're awesome.

"I have gotten my mental health back together. I've got borderline personality and bipolar, which has calmed right down now. They helped me get into the right place, especially when I needed it and they still check up on me.

"I've got my permanent home now. I know next month I don't have to worry I haven't got a place to live. Other than that, I would have been out in the car or doing something stupid.

"At the end of the day, they can give you the advice, but it's up to you to take the advice. Now I am looking where I am going next. At one stage I didn't know what I wanted to do, I didn't want to be here, but I'm about halfway up the top of the hill now and it's looking a lot better."



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