



The Role of Philanthropy in Systems Change

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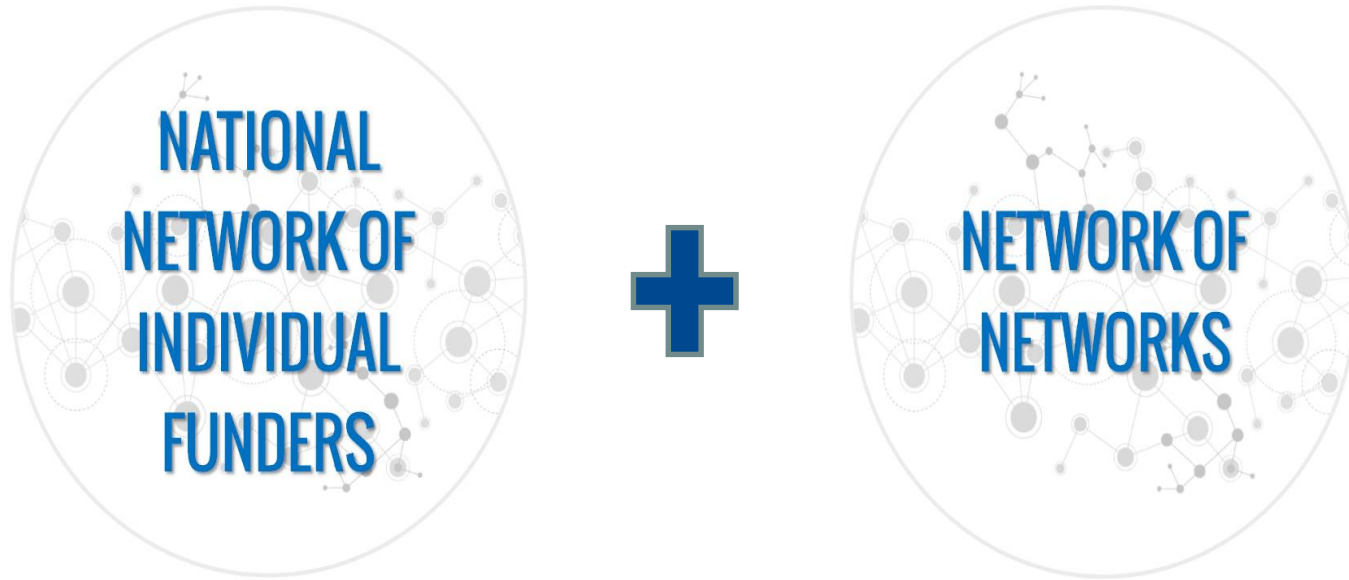
About Us

Funders Together to End Homelessness is a growing network of grantmakers working to end homelessness.

“Even the largest foundations in the world can’t go it alone. Funders Together has given us a rich collection of peers that have positively impacted the effectiveness of our grantmaking.”

-David Wertheimer, Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation and
former Funders Together board chair

About Us



- ~175 members in 36 U.S. states and Canada
- 5 affiliate networks: Los Angeles, Houston, San Diego, Canada, Florida with more in the works

What We Do

- Help members understand their role in creating solutions to complex problems.



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Promote implementation of best practices and lessons learned around systems change to end homelessness



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- Paint the national picture - and connect local with national – around solutions to homelessness
- Represent the voices of funders to the federal government



But we don't *Do* homelessness!



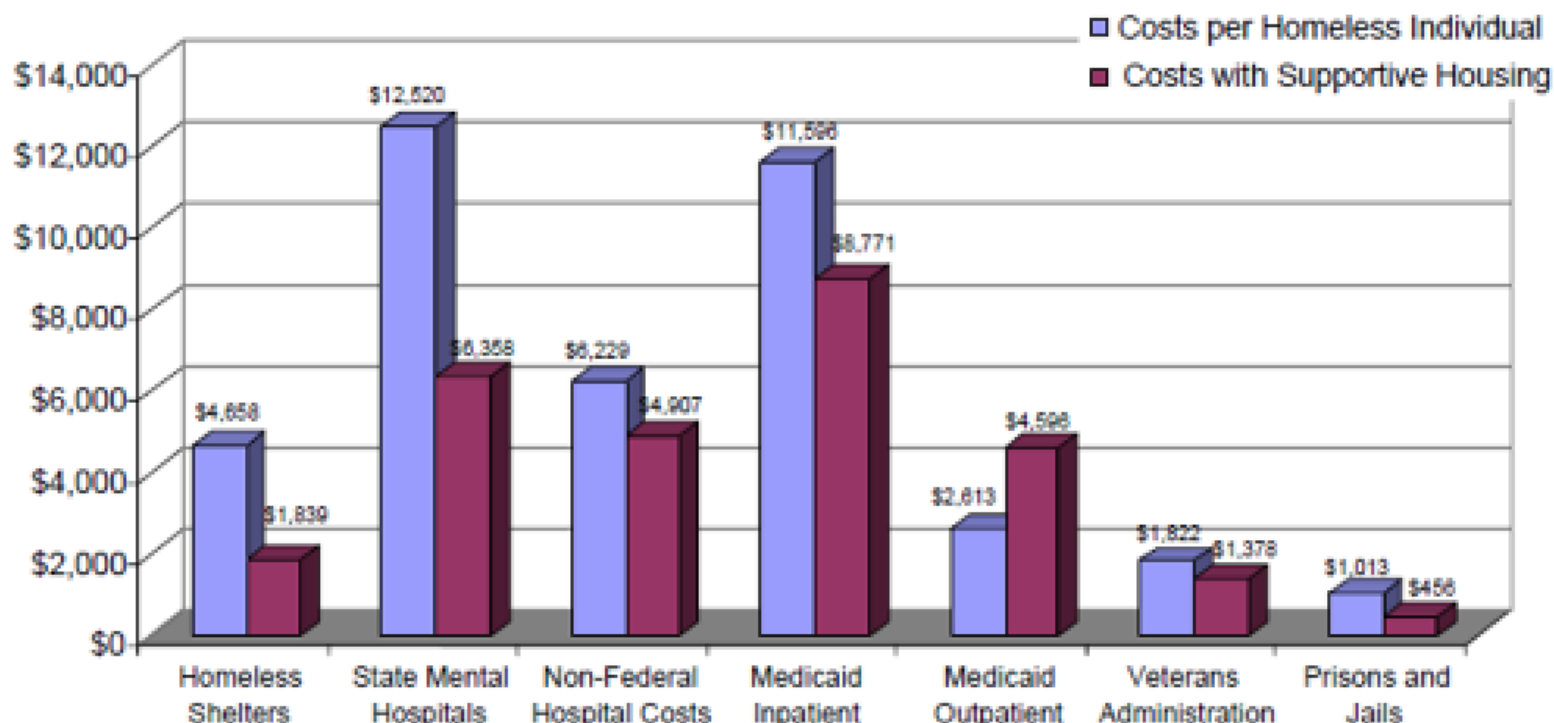
Healthcare and Homelessness



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- The graph below compares the costs (health, criminal justice, etc.) of homelessness with and without permanent supportive housing (PSH) for people with mental health and/or substance abuse issues. The graph can be found on the NAEH website.

Exhibit 1: Annual Cost of Supportive Housing vs. Homelessness



The Human Costs of Homelessness



Human
Trafficking

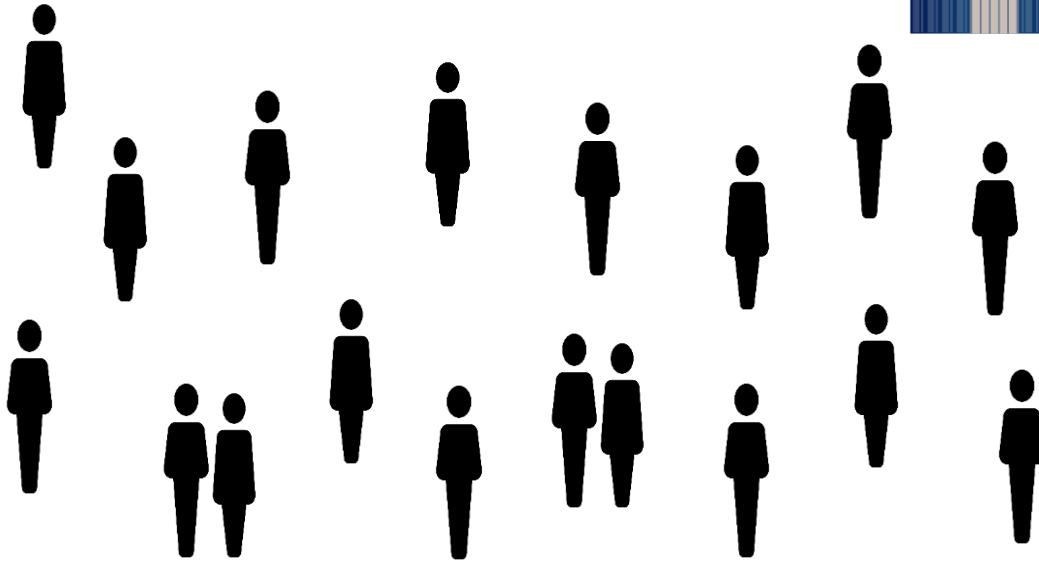
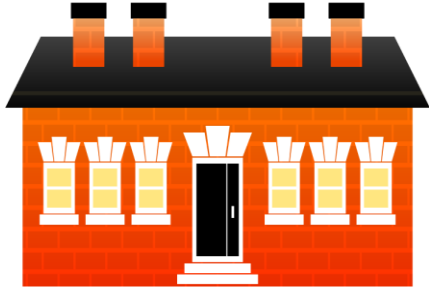
Poor
Education
Outcomes

Foster Care

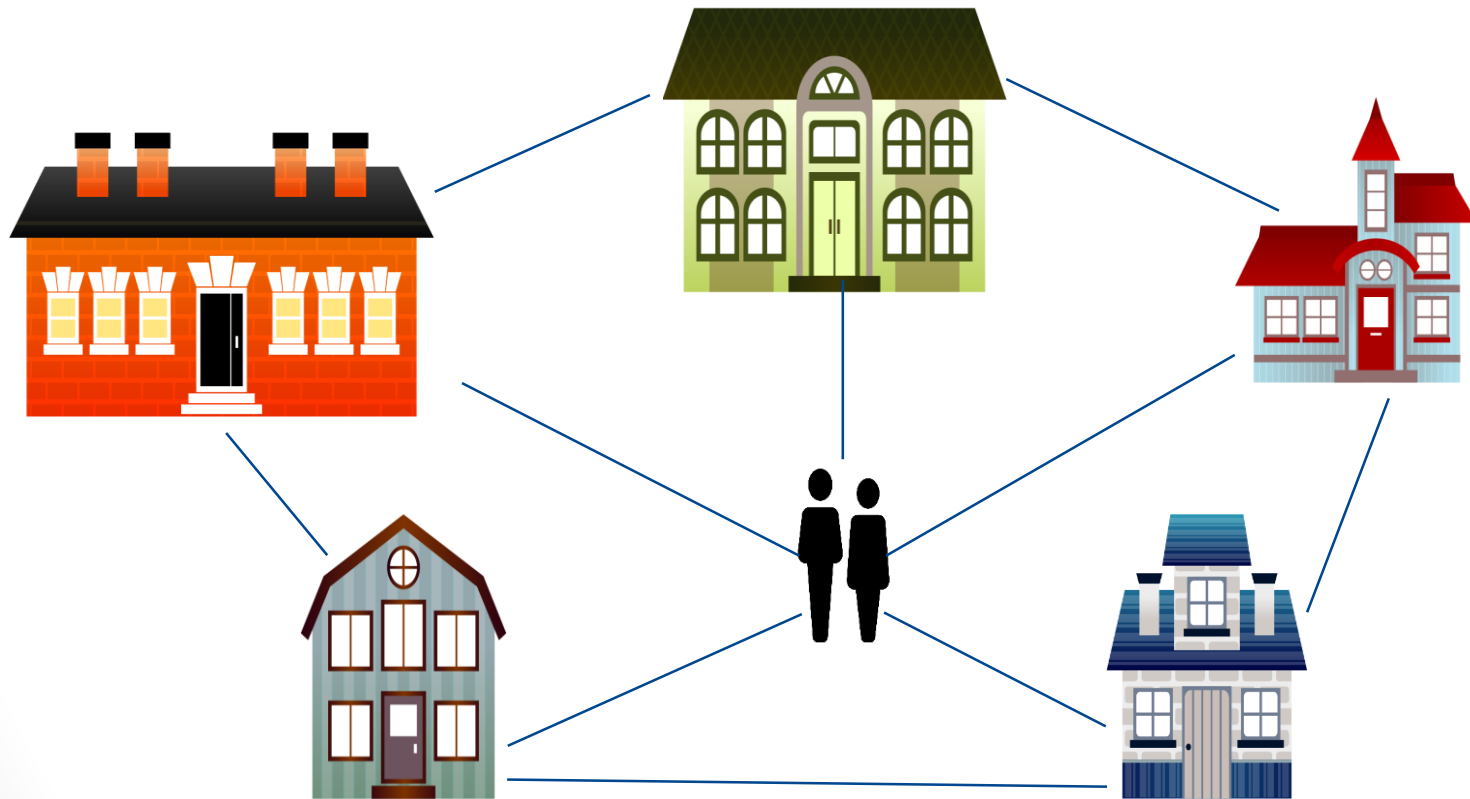
Adopting a Systems Approach

- See the whole system:
- What are the barriers to services and housing that the homeless face in your community?
- What is your role?
- How are you helping? How are you hindering?
- Who should you connect with to achieve your goals?

Current System



With a Systems Approach



Build Relationships

**It's all about
relationships**

Invest Strategically



Build System Capacity

Capacity Building



Advocate



Speak Up!
Take Action!
Create Change!

Philanthropy ~~Can~~ Must Help End Homelessness

