

## Submission to the Parliamentary Inquiry into Homelessness

This form was made by Council to Homeless Persons to support people who are or have been without a home to have their say in the Parliamentary Inquiry. It represents the personal views and experiences of the person filling it in [REDACTED].

I have lived without a home or am currently without a home.

I would prefer not to leave my contact details

I give permission for another person to submit this on my behalf

I request that this submission be kept confidential

Name: PEDRO

Phone number:

Address:

Email:

What would have ended my homelessness is:

\* MORE FUNDING FOR AFFORDABLE HOUSING.

\* MONEY TO BE SPENT ON AUSTRALIANS IN AUSTRALIA, RATHER THAN BE WASTED ON TOURISTS/BACKPACKERS WHO ABUSE OUR SYSTEM.

IE... A LOT OF HOMELESS SERVICES ARE SEEING AN INFLUX OF NON-AUSTRALIANS COMING TO GET FREE FOODS, CLOTHES ETC.

A LOT OF THESE ARE TOURISTS.

ALSO PEOPLE WHO ARE NOT IN NEED ARE ATTENDING MEAL SERVICES, AND SOME HOMELESS PEOPLE ARE GOING WITHOUT

I might have avoided homelessness if the Government provided:

- \* ADEQUATE RESOURCES AND HELP FOR PEOPLE WHO HAVE LOST JOBS OR ARE ON BENEFITS
- ⊕ COST OF LIVING AND SURVIVING IS GOING UP, YET WHAT INDIVIDUALS EARN OR RECEIVE IS NOT
- \* A MORE STRUCTURED SYSTEM TO ASSIST PEOPLE WHO ARE IN NEED.

What would you like to tell the Government about being without a home:

ITS A VERY HARD LIFE BEING A HOMELESS PERSON, WE ARE CONSTANTLY LOOKED DOWN ON, TURNED AWAY OR ARE SHUNNED IN PUBLIC.

HIGH PERCENTAGE OF US ARE TRYING TO GET OUR LIVES BACK IN ORDER, BUT IT IS A STRUGGLE.

AND WITHOUT SUPPORT MANY ARE FALLING THROUGH THE CRACKS. AND IT DOESN'T HELP THAT RESOURCES FOR THE HOMELESS ARE BEING TAKEN AWAY, OR THAT SERVICES ARE BEING TAKEN OVER BY NON-HOMELESS OR TOURISTS/BACKPACKER... THEY COME FOR FREEBIES LEAVING HOMELESS TO STRUGGLE EVEN MORE, AND FEEL LEFTOUT OR FORGOTTEN.

Thank you for taking the time to have you say to the Parliamentary Inquiry into Homelessness. This submission can be emailed to [homelessnessinquiry@parliament.vic.gov.au](mailto:homelessnessinquiry@parliament.vic.gov.au) or posted to:

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