## Inquiry into Homelessness in Victoria

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In order of priority, please rank the themes you believe are most important for this Inquiry into homelessness to consider:	Public housing, Services, Mental health, Indigenous people, Family violence, Housing affordability, Employment, Rough sleeping
What best describes your interest in our Inquiry?	Concerned citizen
Are there any additional themes we should consider?	
Submission:	Since early 1990s ALL Governments have progressively reduced spending on public housing thus creating homelessness crisis of today. I know this since a friend staying with me in 1990s in Inala, Brisbane attended Housing Dept. meetings where reduction in spending on public housing was discussed! There was push to get more people into private rental accommodation but it's been a dismal failure since Gvt. rent assistance is nowhere near what private rental costs are now. Increasing rent assistance payment amounts won't solve anything since private landlords will simply increase rents to be paid! Governments need to acknowledge 'the elephant in the room, & massively increase Government spending on public housing!!!!!!!
Do you have any additional comments or suggestions?	
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