

Deep Dive: In My Home

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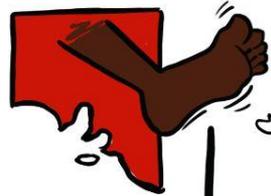
IN MY HOME

"I HAVE A ROOF OVER MY HEAD, THAT'S ALL I NEED"



THINK BACK to WHAT was 'HOME' for you as a 17 year old...

"I JUST GET PUT ON ANOTHER WAITLIST & NOTHING F**KING HAPPENS!"



PROGRESSIVE & DIVERSE OPTIONS for YOUNG PEOPLE leaving OUT of HOME CARE & YOUTH JUSTICE to DISRUPT the TROUBLING CYCLE of DISADVANTAGE affecting some of SOUTH AUSTRALIA'S MOST VULNERABLE YOUNG PEOPLE

CHANGE is A FOOT in S.A

- PROFESSIONAL SALARIED FOSTER CARE
- INTRO. of TREATMENT FOSTER CARE OREGON (TF CO)
- REDUCTION of SOME FUNDING (BROKERAGE & LOW INCOME HOUSING INCENTIVES)
- NEW HOMELESSNESS CONSORTIUMS
- DIVERSE & PROVEN SERVICES AVAILABLE to YOUNG PEOPLE
- "OUR HOUSING FUTURE 2020-2030" SAHA

CRITICAL GAPS

- ⚠️ CURRENT FUNDING PARAMETERS & individual NEEDS of YOUNG PEOPLE
- ⚠️ "HOME" differs ACCORDING to YOUNG PEOPLES NEEDS (NURTURING, ACCESS: ED/EMP/FAMILY, CULTURE)
- ⚠️ NEEDS BASED discretionary FUNDING !!!

⚠️ DATA ACCESS CONSIDERATE of the SPECIFIC DEMOGRAPHIC



WE are SEEKING NEW MEMBERS in OUR LAB TEAM to FIND OUT WHAT the GAPS ARE!

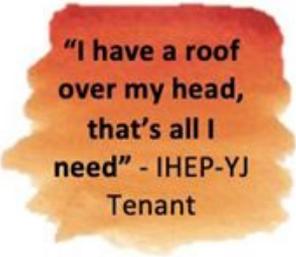
About **us**

The *IN MY HOME TEAM* is focused on creating **progressive and diverse options** for young people leaving out of home care and Youth Justice to **disrupt the troubling cycle of disadvantage** affecting some of South Australia's most vulnerable young people

What is a **home**?



"If I didn't have this house I would be where I was before- couch surfing or in the training centre"- IHEP-YJ Tenant



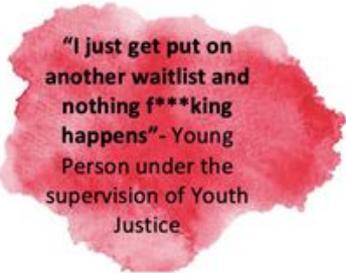
"I have a roof over my head, that's all I need" - IHEP-YJ Tenant



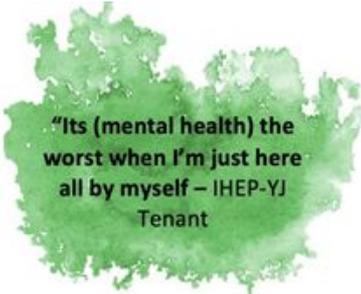
"Too many people not enough beds"- EAYHS Case Manager



"Young people exiting the training centre have had the roughest starts then we punish them for that- EAYHS Case Manager



"I just get put on another waitlist and nothing f*king happens"- Young Person under the supervision of Youth Justice**



"Its (mental health) the worst when I'm just here all by myself – IHEP-YJ Tenant



"The police will go to my neighbour's house but then just come knock on my door as well- IHEP-YJ Tenant



"I just felt bad for them, because they had nowhere to live either... I was being too nice" – IHEP-YJ Tenant

Environmental **scan**

At this time the team have recognised the need to be across the considerable amount of changes occurring in SA for this cohort

Significant change currently being experienced and introduction of new and improved services to this sector include;

- The introduction of **professional salaried foster carers**
- The introduction into South Australia of **Treatment Foster Care Oregon (TFCO)** through OzChild
- The **reduction of some funding** relating to brokerage and low income housing incentives
- The **new homelessness consortiums** currently establishing and the unknown service factor
- The acknowledgement that there are **diverse and proven services available to young people**, which, given the appropriate funding can flex to meet these needs.
- Consideration of the progress of “**Our Housing Future 2020-2030**” SAHA

Critical gaps and **ask**

Funding guidelines V's need of Young People

- Through conversations with practitioners and people with lived experience, we have come to understand that there is a critical gap between current funding parameters and the complex and individualised needs of young people as they transition into adulthood.
- The team has explored the definition of home and investigated how this differs in accordance with young people's needs (including nurture, access to education/employment/family, culture)
- We will continue to investigate social impact funding models as a means to inject new funding into the sector (specifically focussed on young people's transitions) once further discovery into model is complete. Initial investigations point to the need for discretionary funds based on an individual's needs

Difficulty in accessing cohort specific data

- Given the age range, specific demographic information required includes CALD, First Nations , location, type of order, length of order, young people's needs, cost of care and clear impact markers of program success (for SIB) and analysis of need.

We will be seeking further members to join our lab team or assist us within a research capacity with a focus on data as well as consolidating the current environmental scan.

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