

IN JUST THREE STEPS - IT COULD BE YOU

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LIFE PRESSURES

LOSS OF JOB, HEALTH ISSUES, SEPARATION

MYTH: Homelessness is caused by lack of planning or only happens to people with pre-existing "problems".

REALITY: Any number of life pressures and events can cause homelessness; such as being made redundant from a job, a relationship breakdown or a health crisis.

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MONEY MATTERS

EVEN MILLIONAIRES CAN BECOME HOMELESS

MYTH: Homelessness is caused by lack of insurance, savings or financial planning.

REALITY: Homelessness is not limited to those without economic security. For example, not all financial products such as income or health insurance cover all conditions and savings and/or superannuation can be quickly depleted when income is rapidly reduced or lost altogether.



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NOWHERE TO GO

AFFORDABLE HOUSING OPTIONS LIMITED

MYTH: People can always find somewhere to go, stay with family or in shelters.

REALITY: There often isn't enough shelter accommodation and it may not be appropriate to the needs of the person or family experiencing homelessness. Australia does not have enough affordable housing options and staying with family creates just another form of homelessness - known as secondary homelessness.