



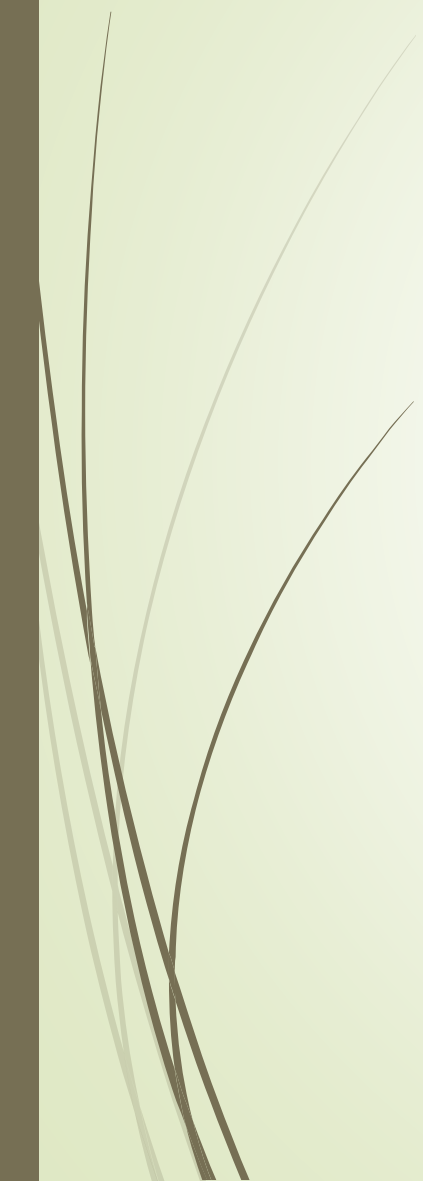
Madison/ Dane County **Homeless Response System**

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HUD's Categories of Homelessness

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- Category 1 – Literally Homeless
 - Category 2 – Imminent Risk of Homeless
 - Category 3 – Homeless Under Other Federal Statutes (e.g. Dept. of Education)
 - Category 4 – Fleeing/Attempting to Flee DV
 - At risk of Homelessness

Who Experiences Homelessness?

ON A GIVEN NIGHT
2019 January PIT count

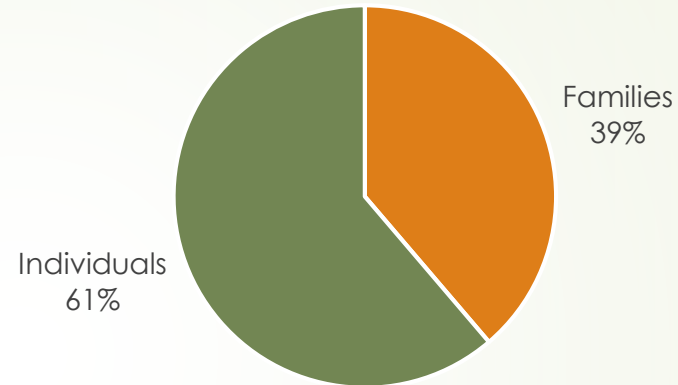
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11 in every 10,000 Dane County residents
were experiencing homelessness

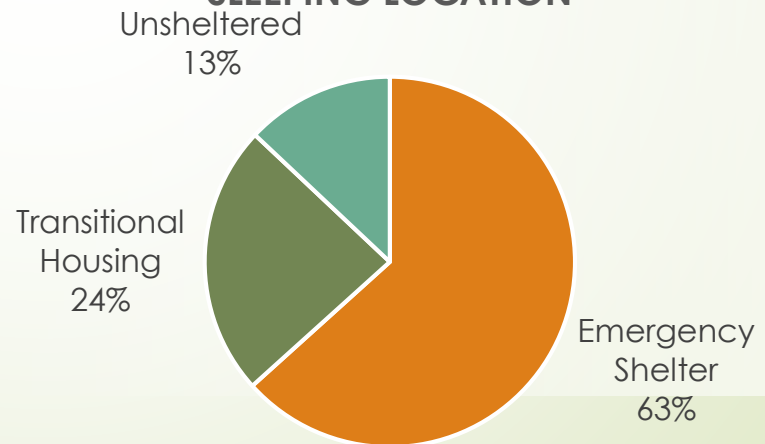
ANNUALLY
*2018 Served in Shelter or
Transitional Housing*

2758

HOUSEHOLD TYPE

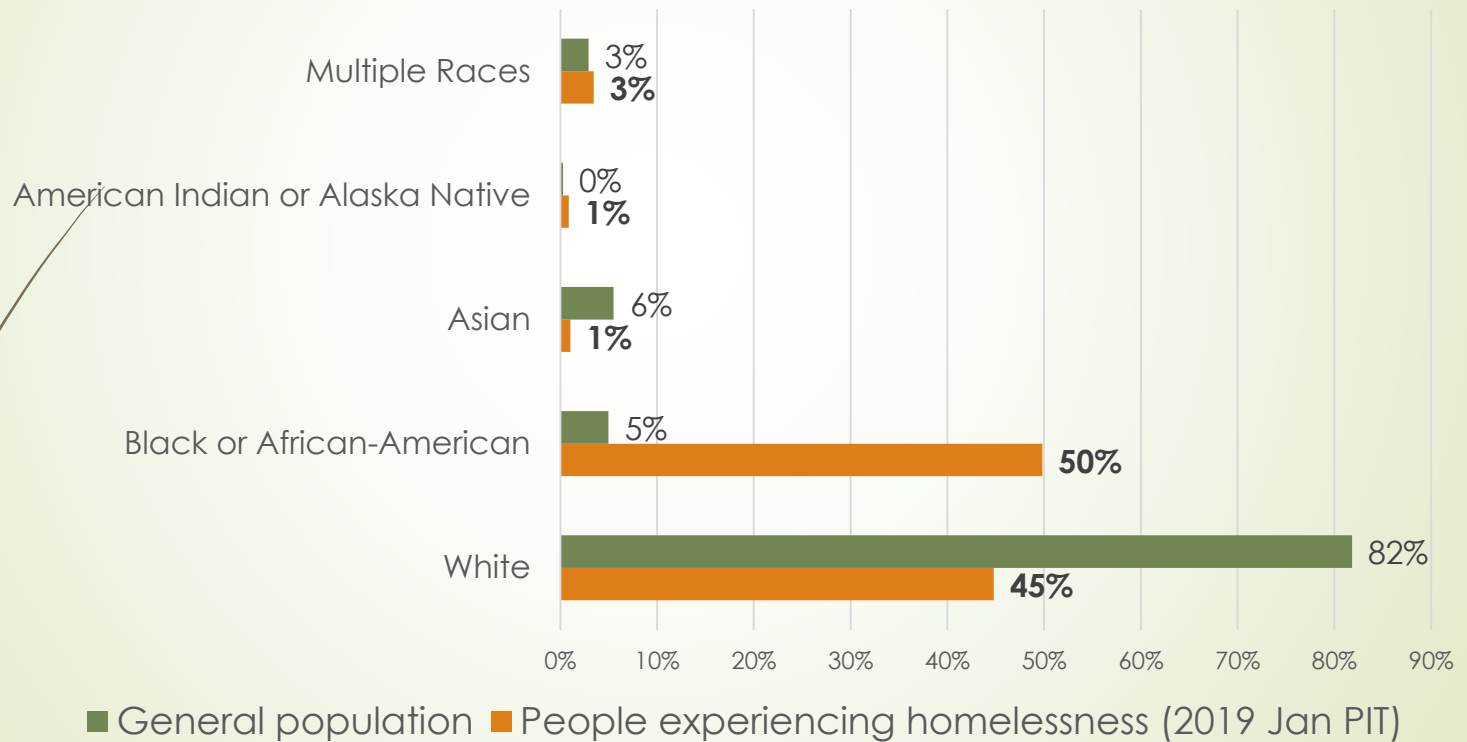


SLEEPING LOCATION



Homelessness disproportionately impacts people of color.

Race and Homelessness



What Contributes to Homelessness?



**AFFORDABLE
HOUSING**



**BEHAVIORAL
HEALTH**



**CHILD
WELFARE**



**CRIMINAL
JUSTICE**

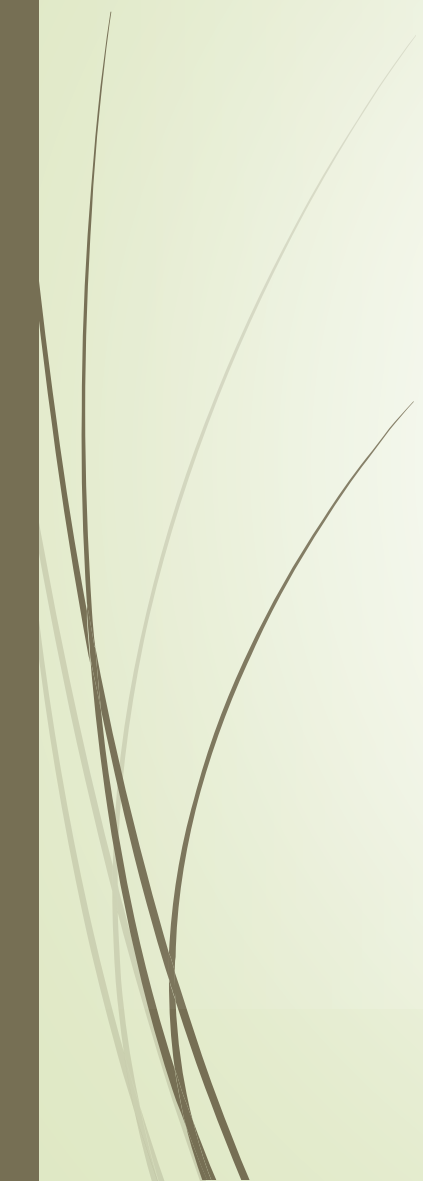


EMPLOYMENT

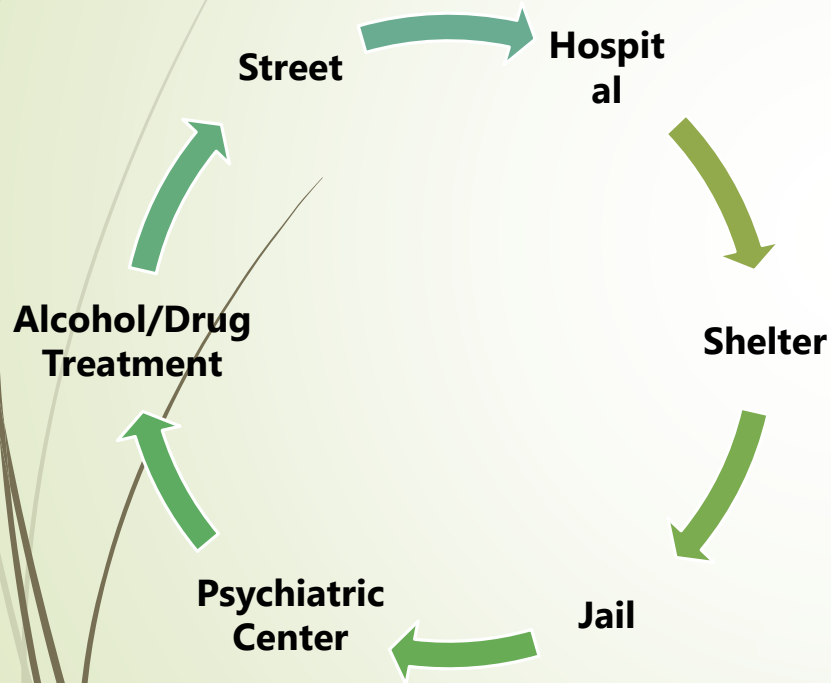


Lack of Affordable Housing

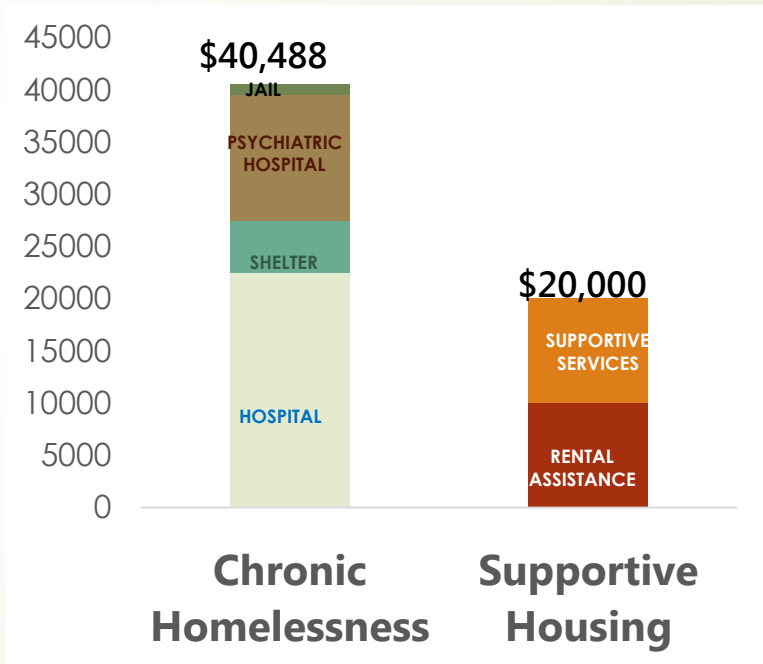
The main reason people experience homelessness is because they cannot find housing they can afford.

- **59%** of gross income is needed to rent a one-bedroom apartment while working full-time at **\$10/hr.**
 - Social security disability benefit is **\$750/mo.** Median rent for a one-bedroom apartment is **\$1,017/mo.**
 - Dane County's affordable **housing gap is 13,050 units** (27% increase between 2010 and 2018).
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What Does Homelessness Cost?



Annual Cost per Chronically Homeless Person



Culhane, Metraux, and Hadley (2002)



Our Community's Vision

Prevent and End Homelessness

Our community will have a systematic response in place that ensures that homelessness is prevented whenever possible

or is otherwise a **rare, brief, and one-time** experience.



Goals and Strategies for Achieving the Vision

RARE

PREVENTION

Prevent individuals and families from ever becoming homeless

- Eviction Prevention Financial Assistance
- Housing Stabilization Services
- Legal Aid

BRIEF

CRISIS RESPONSE

Create pathways out of homelessness and into permanent housing

- Street Outreach
- Diversion
- Emergency Shelter
- Transitional Housing
- Rapid Rehousing

ONE-TIME

HOUSING

Create and support permanent and affordable housing opportunities

- Permanent Supportive Housing
- Other Permanent Housing



Ending Homelessness: Functional Zero

HOW DO YOU DRAIN THE TUB?

- Reduce Inflow: **Prevention**
- Increase Outflow: **Housing**
- Speed Matters: **30 days or less**



System Performance Outcomes

Measure 1: Length of Time Persons Remain Homeless

Measure 2: Extent to Which Persons Exit Homelessness
Return to Homeless

Measure 3: Number of Homeless Persons

Measure 4: Employment and Income Growth

Measure 5: Number of Persons Who Become Homeless for
the First Time

(Measure 6: Homeless Prevention and Housing Placement
of Those in Category 3 of Homeless Definition)

Measure 7: Placement into Permanent Housing



Length of Time Persons Remain Homeless

- Looks at average and median length of time people remain in homeless situations
- Days spent in emergency shelter, safe haven and transitional housing
- **GOAL: Reduce Length of Time Persons Remain Homeless**



Placement into Permanent Housing

- Housing placement for people served in street outreach projects (Moving inside is considered successful)
- Housing placement and retention for people in various sheltered or housed situations within the homeless system
- **GOAL: Increase the Total Percentage of Clients Exiting to Permanent Destinations**



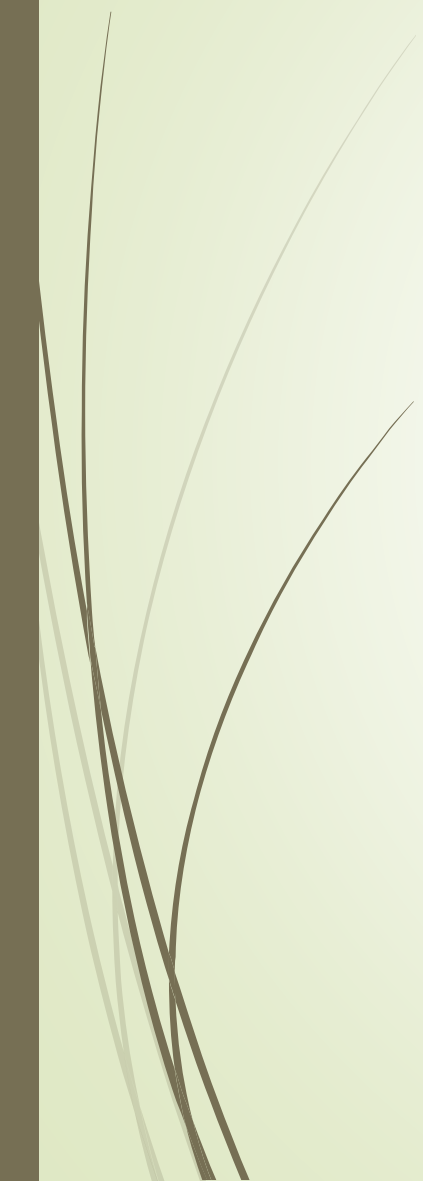
Extent to Which Persons Exit Homelessness Return to Homelessness

- People who exited into permanent housing returning to shelter, safe haven, or transitional housing
- Rates of return at 6, 12 and 24 months
- **GOAL: Reduce Percentage of Persons Returning to Homelessness**





Our Approach: Housing as the Solution

- **Housing-First (vs Housing-Ready)**
 - Based on the belief that all people are housing ready
 - Low barrier
 - Voluntary services with a commitment to high engagement
 - Full rights and obligations as a tenant
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Our Approach: A Coordinated System

To end homelessness, a community-wide coordinated approach to delivering services, housing, and program is needed.

Equitable access to resources

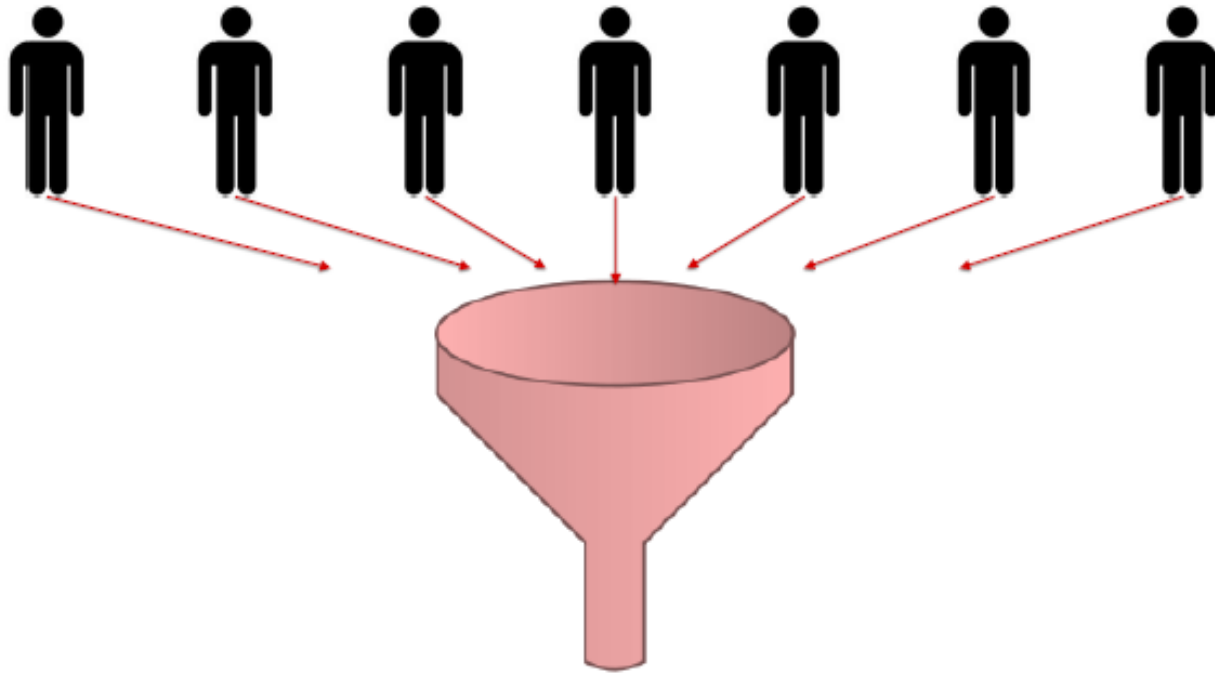
Prioritization based on vulnerability

Streamlined & person-centered

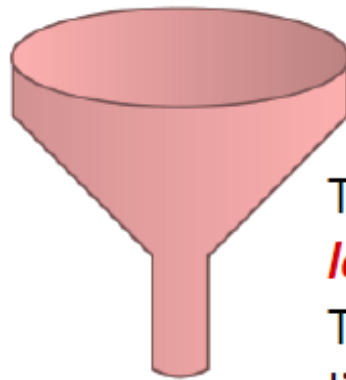




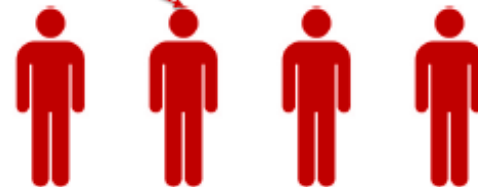
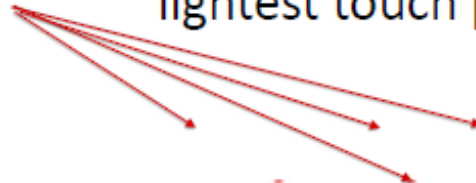
These people are all **homeless**
but they are ***not a homogeneous*** group



They need to all be **assessed**
using a **common tool**,
which will determine their **acuity**
and the best intervention for them

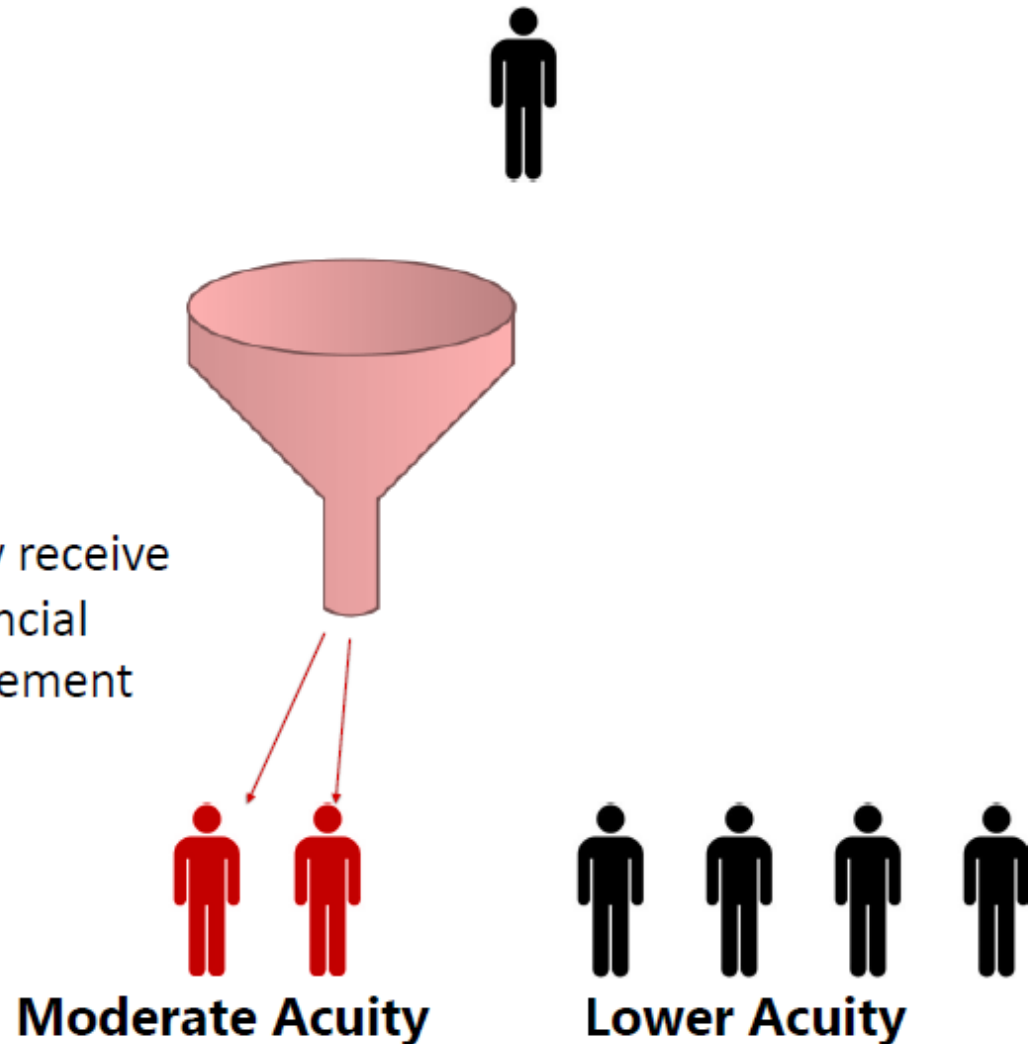


These folks have
lower acuity.
They should receive the
lightest touch possible



Lower Acuity

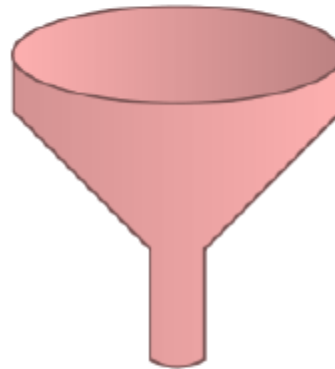
These folks have
moderate acuity.
They should usually receive
time-limited financial
and/or case management
supports



These folk(s) have
higher acuity.

They usually need a

Housing First
intervention and/or
**Permanent Supportive
Housing**



Higher Acuity



Moderate Acuity



Lower Acuity



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