



Shelterhouse: Addressing Homelessness in the City

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Shelterhouse's Mission

“To ensure homeless women in Cincinnati have access to basic human needs such as shelter, food, emergency clothing items, basic toiletries, and safety”

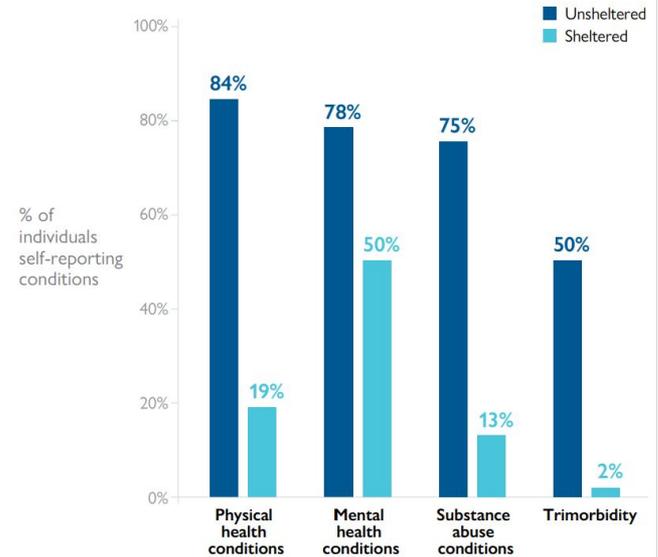
GOAL: Transition into permanent housing in 30 days or less with an increase in income.



Social Determinants of Health

- Healthcare access
- Economic stability
- Social and community context

FIGURE 4. Physical health, mental health, substance abuse, and trimorbidity by shelter status¹¹



<https://www.capolicylab.org/wp-content/uploads/2023/02/Health-Conditions-Among-Unsheltered-Adults-in-the-U.S..pdf>

Our Project

Advocate for local changes that will reduce upstream factors leading to homelessness among women

Relevance to Cincinnati Citizens

- 2,122 individuals spent time in one of the Shelterhouse facilities (2022)
- Improve physical and mental health
- Reduce drug issues
- Prevention > Reactionary responses

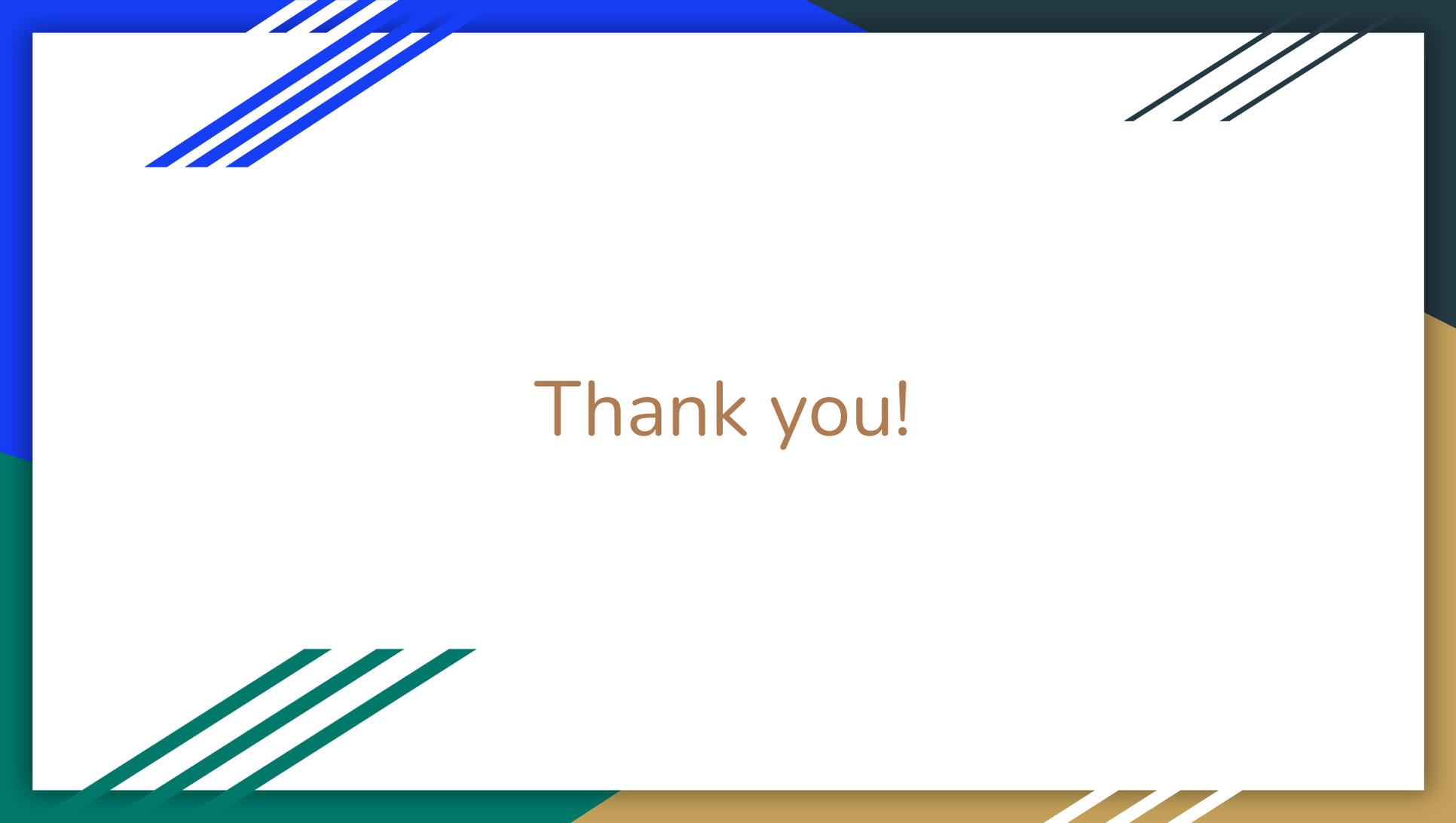
Cincinnati City Government's Role

- Increased options for people experiencing housing insecurity
- Expansion of support for individuals struggling with addiction
- Improve support for individuals who have experienced intimate partner violence
- Medical debt relief for individuals experiencing homelessness



Our “Ask” from City Council

- Awarding grants and tax breaks to non-profits already helping with homelessness and programs that help with drug addiction
- Expanding affordable housing
- Using the justice program to connect inmates to these programs when they are released
- Training police officers to help recognize domestic violence and help individuals connect with safe houses and programs



Thank you!