KERRY VIDEO

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THE UNHOUSED MENTALLY ILL: A MODEL FOR SYSTEM CHANGE

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HEART FORWARD

We do not have a mental health system

Housing First is not a policy that meets the needs of the two percent

Others have succeeded where we have failed – there is a reason to hope

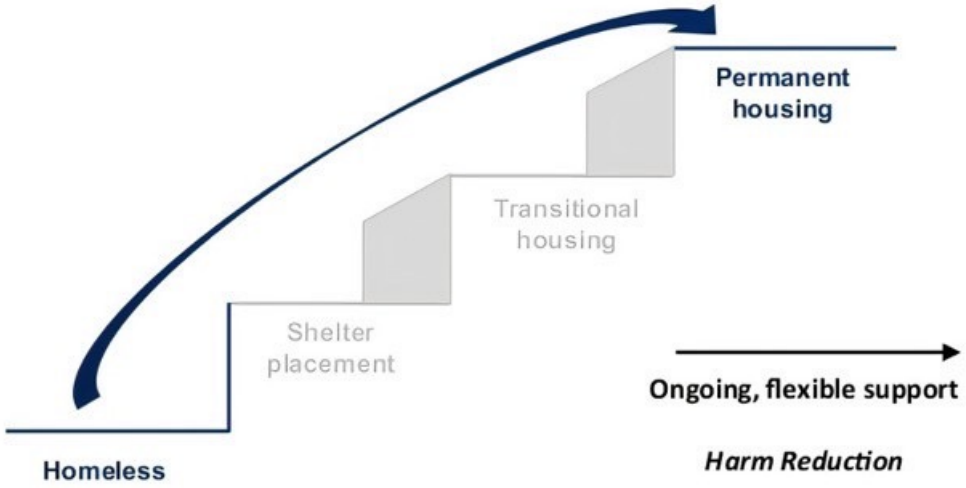
WE DO NOT HAVE A MENTAL HEALTH SYSTEM

EVERY ASPECT OF THE SYSTEM REVEALED

- No accountability to one person
- No attempt to connect family to care
- No expectation that a person can recover their life and pursue their dreams
- No long-term commitment to recovery – instead "stabilize and release"
- No community-based system of care
- No access to treatment beds when needed
- No guaranteed bed other than jail

HOUSING FIRST FAILS TO MEET THE NEEDS OF THE TWO PERCENT

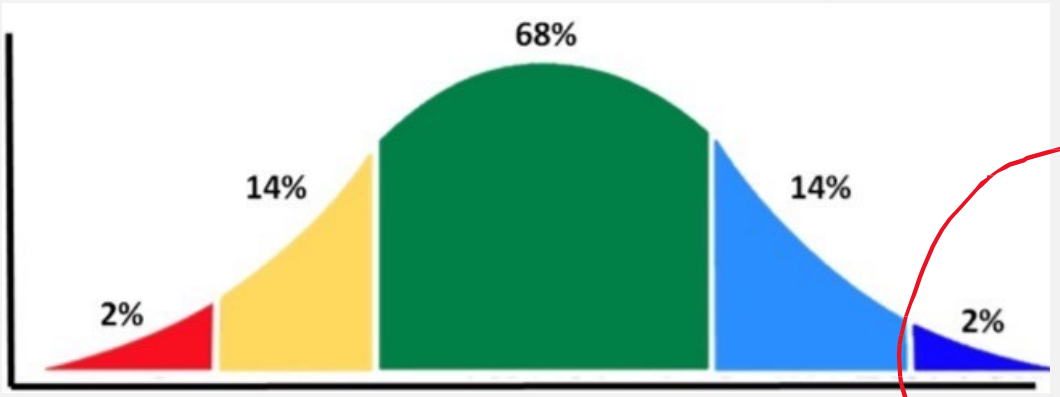
Housing First approach



2020 COUNT
66,437 LA COUNTY
41,290 LA CITY

1,328

825



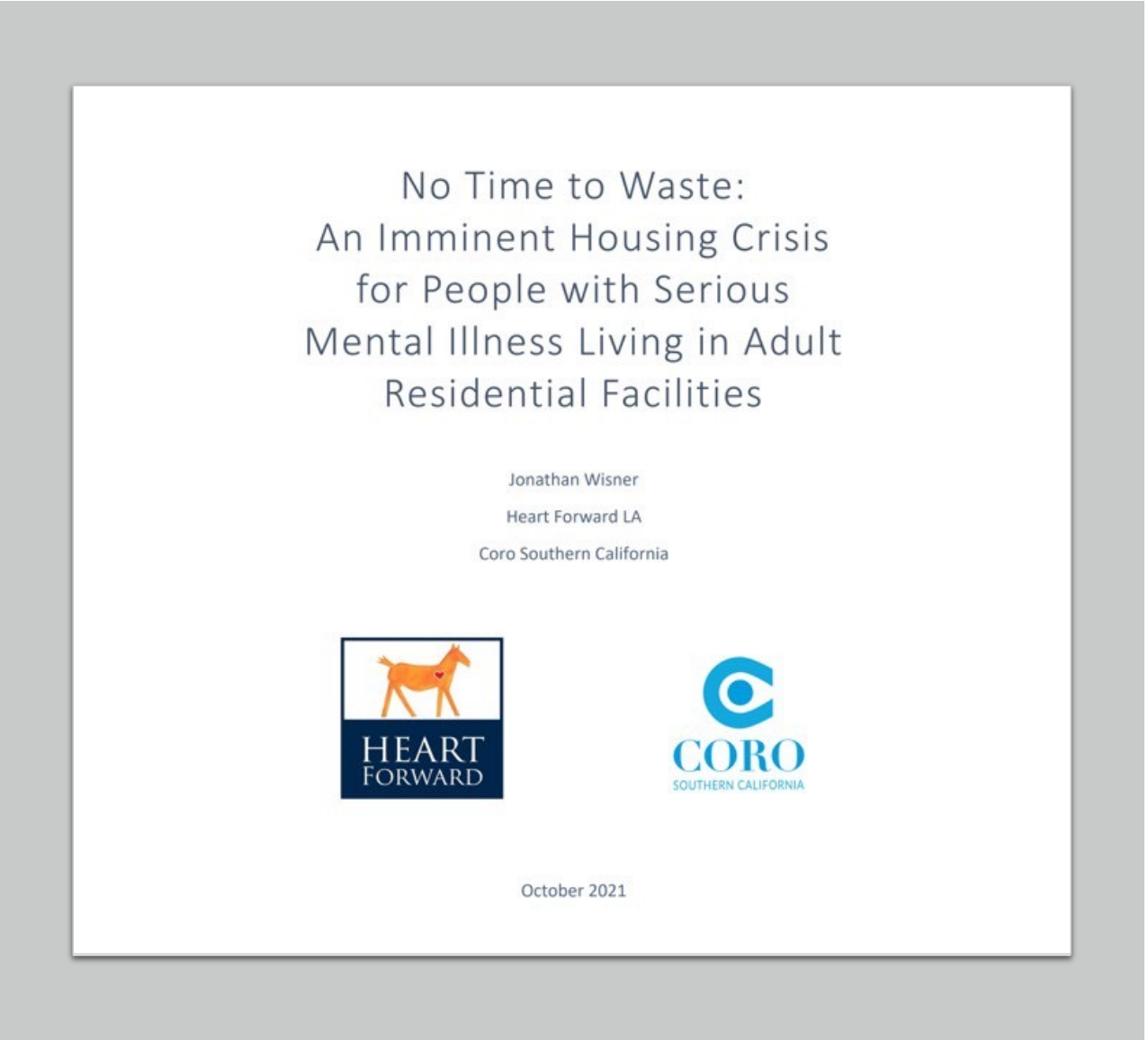
PERMANENT SUPPORTIVE HOUSING

BOARD & CARE (ARF'S)

$35/day

- Three meals a day plus snack
- Medication management
- Laundry and bedding

•Assistance with activities of daily living (ADL)



THERE IS A REASON TO HOPE

only in HOLLYWOOD℠

NO ONE HAS A "RIGHT" TO DIE ON OUR SIDEWALKS

BY KERRY MORRISON JULY 16, 2014

You see that guy every day. He sits with a mountain of stuff at the bus bench. Even on a hot day, he seems to be wearing all that he owns. He's been there for years.

People who know I've inserted myself into the homeless issue will ask, "Why can't people like him be helped?"

I couldn't begin to answer that question until recently. In Hollywood, we've committed ourselves to changing these individuals' stories. Last year we identified our **"Top 14" in Hollywood**: 14 severely vulnerable people who *remain homeless despite our best intentions*

Trieste?

The “City That Cares”

Recognized by World Health Organization (WHO) as a global best practice for community-based mental health care

City of 230,000 people with six psych beds in central hospital – unlocked ward, no restraints

Il manicomio
non serve a curare
la malattia mentale
ma solo a distruggere
il paziente

The asylum
does not serve to
cure mental illness
but only to destroy
the patient

Franco Basaglia

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ONCE YOU'VE SEEN TRIESTE, YOU CANNOT PRETEND IT DOESN'T EXIST

BY KERRY MORRISON NOVEMBER 21, 2017

Here is the humbling reality.

I had the privilege to attend an international conference on mental health last week in Trieste, Italy. There were 36 countries represented; panels, speakers and site visits stretched out over four days. Not surprisingly, there were no speakers invited from the U.S. to share

Guiding Principles . . . of the Trieste System that Inspire Us

Social Recovery

Human connection is therapeutic and can be more impactful than psychiatric interventions. Kinship -- family, friends and pets – matter.

Purposeful Life

You have a human right to pursue meaning in life that comes from work, creativity and the opportunity to learn.

Radical Hospitality

You are welcome here and you are safe. You are seen. We hear you. Your voice matters. As humans, we are equal.

System Accountability

You will not be left to figure out this system alone. We will catch you if you fall. You will be served by familiar faces who won't lose you.

Whole Person Care

You are not your diagnosis. We will support you in your life plans and your daily needs.

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WHAT CAN YOU DO?

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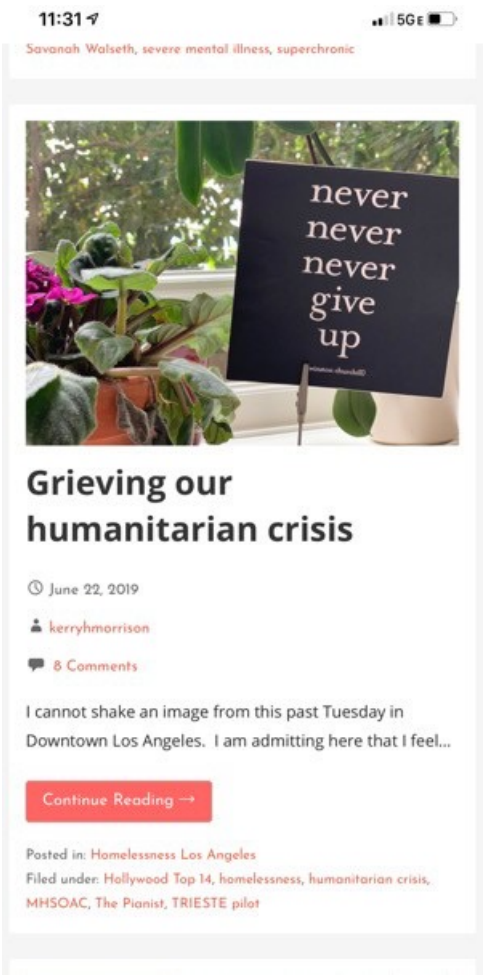
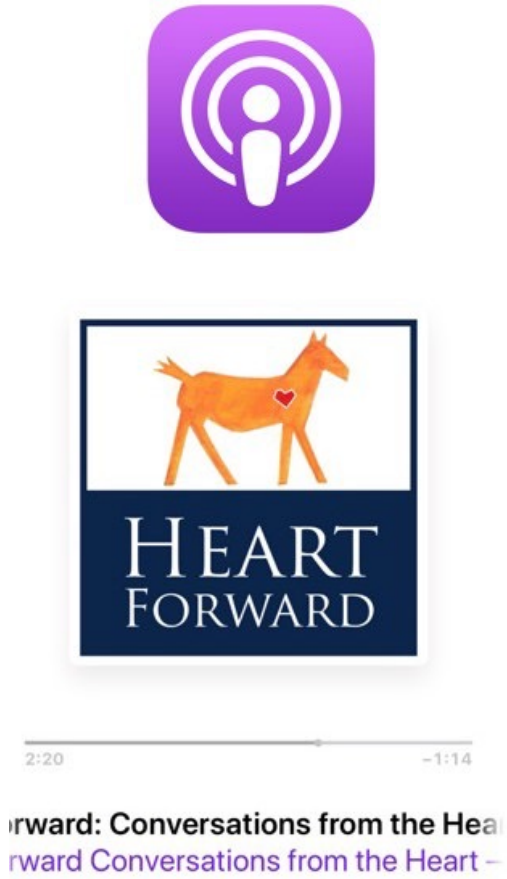
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