

### On any given night, more than 7,600 people are on the streets. We now have the nation's fifth-highest homeless population.

Who are the homeless? They are adults, families with children, veterans, and youth. They come from all backgrounds and circumstances.

**Homelessness in Silicon** 

Valley is at crisis levels.

Sadly, the average life expectancy of someone living on the streets is just 47 years.

**HomeFirst** 

## We have the solution, we just need the will.

HomeFirst helps people find and keep long-term, stable housing with a proven strategy called Housing First.

We get people off the street and into homes guickly and support them so they can stay housed permanently.

Silicon Valley is home to some of the most innovative and creative people in the world. We can do this!



#### **LEARN**

Visit our website to learn about ending homelessness.

#### DONATE

Contribute online and register us for your employer matching program.

#### **VOLUNTEER**

At our shelters and family living centers, or in our kitchen.

### **ADVOCATE**

For more affordable housing to end homelessness.



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# **Anyone** is at risk of homelessness. **Everyone** deserves a decent place to live.

**Andy** was very ill when we found him and his partner in a San Jose homeless encampment. He was unable to manage his diabetes while living outside and both of his legs had been amputated.

We acted quickly to find a landlord who could accommodate Andy's special needs and his income level. Today he is safe, warm, and on the road to better health.

After his career ended in the dot-com crash, **Ed** lost everything and ended up homeless. At our shelter, he began working in our New Start employment program and helped counsel other veterans there.

Today Ed has a home and works two jobs as a shelter worker and doing street outreach to veterans. He's found a new calling as an advocate for homeless people. **Manny** was a single father who barely made ends meet in shared housing. When they lost their place, Manny stayed in his car while his kids moved in with a relative.

We provided Manny with a housing subsidy so he could be reunited with his children, and helped him enroll in a career training program. Now he has the ability to create a more secure future for his family.

As a former foster child, **Alyssa** beat the odds and went to college. But she became completely overwhelmed with two jobs, a full class load, and financial worries.

We gave her counseling and a housing subsidy, then helped her learn to budget and find a better job. Now graduated, she is working full-time and is happy, healthy, and financially stable.

