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“Ten years in the forest”

From Streets to Homes Association

Our activities

From Huts to Homes	Based on Housing First approach
Housing Now!	Social Housing Agency and SZÁD
Give Work!	Weekly support group focusing on labour market integration
Solidarity Accommodation	Helping ukrainian refugees to find short term accommodation
Other activities in development	Women's group, Cleaning Social Enterprise, Peer support team



Some background

FSHA is an NGO

- 10 years old, roots in housing activism
- not registered as a social service provider
- does not receive any direct government funding
- 25 staff + 2 “full time” volunteer + trainees + volunteers
- Housing programs: 46 flats, 96 tenants + Solidarity Accommodation

Housing First → From Huts to Homes: 26 flats 50 tenants

- 25 men, 21 women, 4 children
- 15 people under 50 years old, 18 p. over 50 years old,
- 7 p. over 65 years old



“Just look into the fridge, I have everything”

The story of Hajnalka’s moving in (by PartizánDOKU)

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=wek_bl5Wo60



Before moving in

Rough sleepers in the forest:

Hut / Tent / Occupied Building (abandoned railway buildings)

- Safety: stealing, robbing, violence, harassment
- Daily necessities: water carrying, wood cutting, shopping, cooking...
- Traveling: long distances and poor infrastructure
- Health issues: poor physical and mental state, discrimination and traumas in healthcare system, bad circumstances for recovery, high risk for infection
- Partnerships: Being alone in the forest as a woman is so dangerous. Usually the relationships does not based on love or romantic feelings, but on dependency → could go hand in hand with abuse



After moving in

Housing First: The housing must be the first step in social support, and not its final goal. Housing First offers individual housing, and provides a real possibility of social integration.

- Formal tasks about housing, public utilities, registration for the GP
 - Official address → old debts could surface, debt collectors will find them
 - Usually some health issues turn out: accompany to medical examinations, help understanding, safeguarding of interests and appropriate treatment
- The trauma of moving in: Big change for elderly people, sleeping problems
- Make new routines and give up old ones: KERAK - day center for homeless people
- Poor social relationships: get in touch with family again





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