



### **Herts Young Homeless**

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## Who are Herts Young Homeless?



## Today we will look at

- . What it means to be homeless
- . What hyh do
- What you can do to help

## Take a moment





### **Key Trends**





70% of young people & families have reported either a diagnosed or undiagnosed mental health need.

Our Hub and Outreach Housing Support services continue to see an increase in the complexity of issues - including association with **gangs and exploitation**.





Supported accommodation is in very high demand.

Affordable move on options for young people are becoming even more limited and in demand.

Cost of living continues to impact all of us.



## What does home mean to you?





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## Our new Vision, Mission & Values





## **Our Mission** To break the cycle of youth homelessness in Hertfordshire through education, advice and support for young people and their families.

### What do hyh do?







We spoke to over 9000 students last year in assemblies and lessons



### **Mediation**

89% of those we supported last year remained in the family home





A place for 16-24 year olds to get help from Homeless Prevention Services in Hertfordshire

## **Outreach services**

Our services for young people over 18.

#### Monthly budget for a young person on Universal Credit





## MY MONTHLY BUDGET\*





#### MONTHLY INCOME

+£291.81

I get the maximum total benefit for a single person through Universal Credit.

#### SERVICE CHARGE -£100

The average service charge in supported accommodation is £15-£20 per week.

## FOOD & HOUSEHOLD ESSENTIALS

-£160

The biggest chunk of my budget goes on food, toiletries, and household essentials.

## PHONE - £25.43

I need my phone to apply for jobs, pay bills, talk to my landlord, claim benefits and speak to my outreach worker at hyh. As well as keeping in touch with friends.



### GAS & ELECTRICITY

-£140

**COUNCIL TAX** 

-£31.20



-£23

### -£187.82 LEFT EACH MONTH

JUST SOME OF THE THINGS I WISH I COULD AFFORD...

HAIRCUT
CLOTHES
TRAIN FARE TO SEE A PAL
BIRTHDAY PRESENT FOR MUM
PAY OFF SOME OF MY CREDIT CARD



Like everyone, my bills have continued to increase forcing me to make difficult decisions on how I spend.



\*PASED ON INDICATIVE COSTS

### Monthly budget for a young person on minimum wage









### MONTHLY INCOME

+£1445

I get paid minimum wage for my full time job. This is my take home pay after tax and National Insurance.



#### FOOD & HOUSEHOLD ESSENTIALS

-£160

The biggest chunk of my budget goes on food, toiletries, and household essentials.



I need my phone to pay my bills, talk to my landlord as well as keeping in touch with my friends.



TRAVEL

I pay for a monthly bus pass -£113.85 to get to work.



This is the average for a one bed flat in Hertfordshire which is why many single young people choose

GAS & ELECTRICITY

WATER

-£23



JUST SOME OF THE THINGS I WISH I COULD AFFORD...

**COUNCIL TAX** 

Like everyone, my bills have continued to go up forcing me to make difficult decisions on how I spend.



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### Real life experiences of homelessness





### **Future Roots**



Future Roots, our new accommodation project has been running for over 18 months.

The project helps transition 18-24-year-olds from homelessness to independent living over approx. 18 months. The house mates have a live in support worker to help with personal and social advice & guidance.

Our first young person left at the end of 2023 and is thriving. We have also supported at least 2 of our young people with work experience from our Corporate supporters.

Our hope is to expand this project to other parts of the county.



# Every day we need to raise £300 to help young, vulnerable people in your local area



£10 = answer an urgent call to our helpline

£30 = a mediation session

£50 = 12 young people attending employment training

£100 = a starter pack for a young person moving out

## Partnering with Herts Young Homeless huh

We believe in the strength of partnerships and collaborating with local groups to enable us to continue our mission of preventing youth homelessness in Hertfordshire.

#### How can you support hyh?

Charity of the Year

Consider us when you are fundraising and making donations

Volunteering for street collections/charity bag packs/collecting raffle prizes

Follow us on social media (including liking, commenting and reposting)

I am here to support you with any fundraising plans, volunteering and ideas that you have if we work together

## hyh events 2023



Some dates are yet to be confirmed - more details will be provided throughout the year.

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Classic Ibiza

London to Brighton

Berko Golf Day

Great Big Walk

Royal Parks Half

Autumn Update

hyh Quiz Night

hyh Sleepout

20<sup>th</sup> & 22<sup>nd</sup> July

19th Aug

11th Sept

28th Sept

30th Sept

8th Oct

Oct 2023

12<sup>th</sup> Oct

10th Nov



## Thank you for inviting me





