The background is a light blue gradient with several realistic water droplets of various sizes scattered across it. The droplets have highlights and shadows, giving them a three-dimensional appearance.

UNSEEN AND UNHEARD: EXPLORING MEN'S HOMELESSNESS IN THE UNITED STATES

TRANSFORMATION TALK

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UNSEEN AND UNHEARD ABOUT ME...



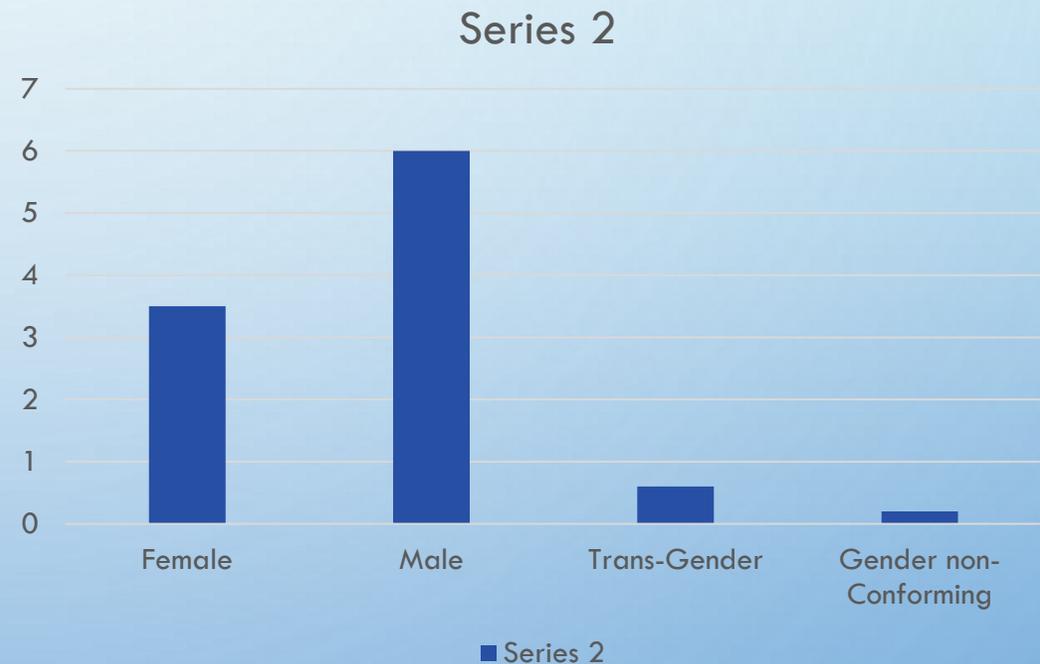
THE WHY...

- WHY MEN'S HOMELESSNESS?
- WHY IS THIS SO IMPORTANT?

ESTIMATED SHARE OF HOMELESS INDIVIDUALS IN THE UNITED STATES IN 2022, BY GENDER



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HISTORY ON MEN'S HOMELESSNESS

- “THE EARLIEST ACCOUNTS OF HOMELESSNESS DATE TO THE 1600S, ALTHOUGH THE TERM DIDN'T EXIST BACK THEN. IN EARLY AMERICA, PEOPLE REFERRED TO HOMELESS MEN AS “WANDERING POOR” OR “VAGRANTS” ...
- “MEN ACCOUNT FOR SOMEWHERE BETWEEN 70% AND 84% OF ALL HOMELESS PEOPLE. THIS NUMBER HAS NOT BEEN ADJUSTED IN ANY WAY. IT REFLECTS THE UNIVERSAL CONDITIONS OF HOMELESSNESS – SHELTERED AND UNSHELTERED, MARRIED AND SINGLE, REGARDLESS OF RACE, RELIGION, OR AGE. THE FACT THAT THIS INSIGHT IS RARELY SHARED PUBLICLY IS A HUGE PART OF THE PROBLEM.”

KEY INSIGHT

- “ACCORDING TO HUD, OVER 60% OF ALL PEOPLE EXPERIENCING HOMELESSNESS ARE MEN. NEARLY 70% OF PEOPLE NOT IN SHELTERS ARE MEN AS WELL. THE HIGHER RATE OF HOMELESSNESS AMONG MEN MAY BE ATTRIBUTED TO A NUMBER OF REASONS: UNEMPLOYMENT, LIMITED SOCIAL SUPPORT NETWORKS, AND ISSUES REGARDING MENTAL HEALTH AND SUBSTANCE ABUSE...”

FIVE TRAUMAS LEADING TO HOMELESSNESS

- CHILD HOOD TRAUMA
- DOMESTIC VIOLENCE
- MILITARY TRAUMA
- SEXUAL TRAUMA
- NATURAL DISASTERS



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CALL TO ACTION!

AS WE CONCLUDE OUR EXPLORATION OF MEN'S HOMELESSNESS IN THE UNITED STATES, I URGE US TO CONSIDER OUR ROLE IN ADDRESSING THIS PRESSING ISSUE.

NOW, LET'S CONTEMPLATE TOGETHER:

- "HOW CAN EACH OF US CONTRIBUTE TO AMPLIFYING THE VOICES OF HOMELESS MEN, ENSURING THEY ARE SEEN, HEARD, AND SUPPORTED IN OUR COMMUNITIES?"

LET'S EMBARK ON THIS JOURNEY TOGETHER, COMMITTED TO ADVOCATING FOR CHANGE AND CREATING A MORE INCLUSIVE AND COMPASSIONATE SOCIETY. THANK YOU FOR YOUR ATTENTION AND DEDICATION TO THIS IMPORTANT CAUSE.

THANK YOU!!

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