

LET'S TALK ABOUT HOMELESSNESS...

We've put together some resources to help young people to start talking about homelessness.

Below are some questions to help you get the conversation started...

Have you ever seen somebody who is homeless?

What made you think they were homeless?

Why might somebody become homeless?

What can we do to support those who are experiencing homelessness?



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HOMELESSNESS CAN HAPPEN TO ANYONE...

If Someone is living...

On the streets



In a hostel

In empty or abandoned buildings

In friends or families houses or sleeping in a car

There are many reasons that someone might become homeless...

A falling out with family and friends

Getting into financial difficulty or losing their job

A physical or mental health issue



There are a few simple ways that SIFA Fireside helps people who have no home...

providing food, clean clothes, a hot shower and a supportive ear

But there are also many other ways that we help people back into a home...



Financial advice and support

Legal advice

Connecting them with health and wellbeing services

Employment support

Its not always easy to know how best to support someone who you think might be homeless... but if you support a charity like SIFA Fireside you know that we will be here when someone needs a little bit of extra support, from a hot meal to getting them back into a home.

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WHAT DOES IT MEAN TO BE HOMELESS?

Let's start with a quick mind map - what does it mean to be homeless? Write down your ideas, or draw some pictures. Bring it back to the importance of home, draw a picture of what home means to you, what do you think is important to have a happy and fulfilled life?



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LIVING FROM A RUCKSACK?

What items would you pack if you were to become homeless?

Have a think about the list below and what else you would want to keep...

Phone

Food

Money

ID

Photos of loved ones

Clothing

Sleeping bag

Waterproofs

Pets

Computer

Toiletries

Books



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