

Running Head: Homelessness of women and children
In Houston, Texas

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Homelessness is a major issue in the whole world and in particular a major problem in Houston Texas. These problems have been brought by the economic deterioration in Houston. Due to this problem many coalitions have been started with an aim of helping these people who are homeless. (Dennis, 2005)

In the process of trying to help these people, I would agree with Houston mayor Bill to help the Houston homeless people through organization that cater for their welfare than directly. This is because when you offer your financial assistance directly to these people. Some might use that money to buy drugs instead of using it to purchase some of their basic needs such as food or clothes. This can be very detrimental to their health and life, and mostly if the people involved are children or women. Since the children can become addicted to these drugs such that they cannot be able to concentration on their studies or they might even lead them to drop from school to go and look for money to buy drugs. If they continue abusing these drugs they buy from the money given by people, when they grow up a they can even turn to crime for example robbery in case they find that people are not giving them money or the money they are getting is not enough to buy food clothes and drugs. (Dennis, 2005)

On the other hand, financial assistance given to women can have equal impact on them. This is because due to the psychological problems they have in addition to be homeless; some of them can use that money you give them to buy drugs. These drugs can make them become careless with their lives and also promiscuous. This can increase their chances of contracting HIV and eventually die because of AIDS related complications.

As a result of these problems I would suggest what people should try and help the homeless through those organization that supports them. This is because once you offer your contribution to these groups; they can be in a better position to be able to help these people by educating them. (United States Congress, 1996)

The children apart of the need to have shelter, food and clothes they need education very much. This is because once they are empowered with knowledge by being helped to access education facilities and schools they will get the academic qualification that will enable them get good jobs in future with good salaries. As a result they can now be self reliant instead of been ever dependant on other people, on the other hand these children apart from being independent will also contribute to the development of Houston through the services they will be offering as some will be doctors, engineers etc.

According to United States Congress (1996), this will also help minimize the level of crime in Houston as some of these children who would have been tempted to turn to crime in the future can now be in a position to earn their daily bread in the right way.

The women are also helped through these coalitions get some training through which they can become productive members of the society as they can be able to earn an income with these skills they acquire. This also helps to minimize their risk of acquiring HIV and die with Aids. So they can now have an opportunity to look after, and provide for their children through the income they get with their skills.

Therefore people should stop giving direct contribution to the homeless but instead give their contribution through the coalitions. This will ensure that these organizations are empowered financially and are in a better position to offer better services to the homeless.

By ensuring the homeless children are able to get education facilities and also attend school. This will assist them become very important members of the society who will contribute positively to the growth and development of Houston through the services they will be offering. (Stimpson, 1988)

On the other hand, the money these organization will receive when you stop giving your support direct to the homeless can be used to advance the courses they offer to these women such that when they acquire these skills will become very marketable in the job market. Hence they can earn an income that will help them become independent and productive members of the society. (Stimpson, 1988)

In conclusion contribution offered to the homeless should be given to coalitions than to individuals, since the organization will use that money to offer a lasting solution to these people through education empowerment.

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