

Intersectionality
between
homelessness and
disability

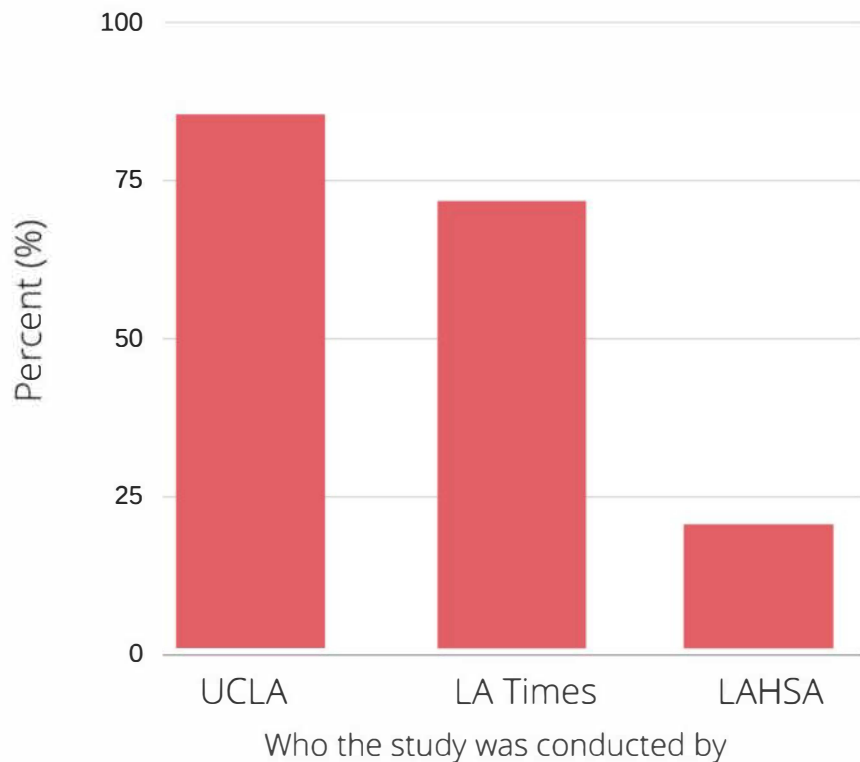
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DISABILITY and **HOMELESSNESS** are irrefutably **LINKED** together.



Through this infographic, we hope to show you how they are linked and what we can do to **IMPROVE** the **LIVES** of **DISABLED HOMELESS PEOPLE** and **END HOMELESSNESS**.

Percent of Homeless people with disabilities
in Los Angeles County



The LA times compiled data from different studies, including their own, on **HOW MANY HOMELESS PEOPLE HAVE DISABILITIES** in the Los Angeles County

The organisation LAHSA had a **DRASTICALLY LOWER** number because they go by federal guidelines of what disability is.

If almost **80%** of homeless people in LA are mentally ill according to UCLA and only **20%** according to the federal law. What will the US be able to do if the **MAJORITY OF ITS CITIZENS AREN'T "OFFICIALLY" DISABLED**

In **2008** **42.8%** of the people were using a shelter

verses

In **2007** there were **37.1%** using homeless shelters



Shelters

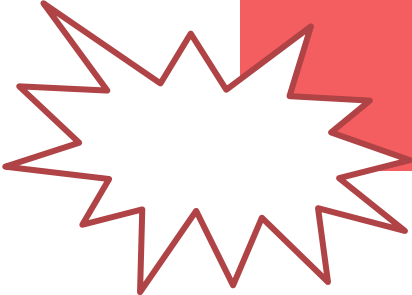



HOMELESSNESS AFFECTS ALL AGES & RACES

More than **40%** of the homeless population is disabled



DID YOU KNOW??



HOMELESS CHILDREN ARE MORE LIKELY TO EXPERIENCE DISABILITIES SUCH AS DEVELOPMENTAL DELAYS, ASTHMA EXACERBATIONS AND ADMISSIONS, OBESITY, DENTAL AND VISION PROBLEMS, AND MENTAL HEALTH PROBLEMS

Between 2006-2010

<1.6 mil children were homeless annually

54% of homeless preschoolers had developmental delays

40% of those kids were under 6 years old

Homeless kids have 3x the rate of emotional & behavioral issues

2x more likely to repeat a grade, be suspended, or drop out

1/4 have witnessed violence

Boston's Support



In **2015**, US Secretary of Labor and former Boston Mayor, Martin J. Walsh began the “Boston’s Way Home” initiative to create housing for those in need. Within one year, about a sixth of the entire city’s homeless population was sheltered. Through this initiative and other plans like the Jamaica Plain affordable and free apartment complex with medical care, the city of Boston is playing their part in ending chronic homelessness.

How you can help the homeless and disabled community

Visit the Linktree in our bio for petitions to sign, volunteer opportunities and more!

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