

Houston's Regional, Community-Driven Homeless Response System

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8,500

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Enough is Enough



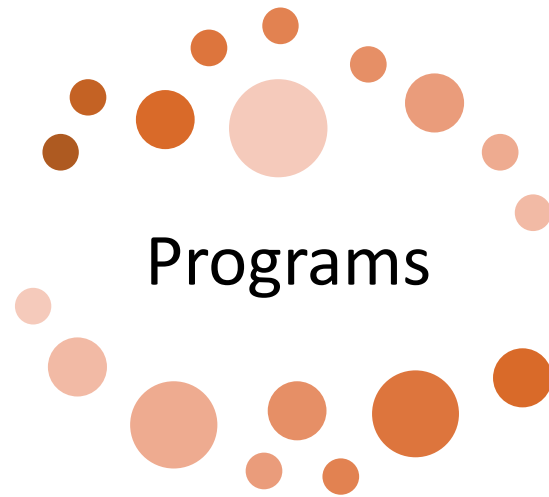
Basic Root Cause of Homelessness



Evolution to a Coordinated System



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Past: A diverse collection of independent providers employing lots of methods seeking various goals



Now: An integrated network of providers coordinating efforts & resources to achieve maximum impact.



HOUSING

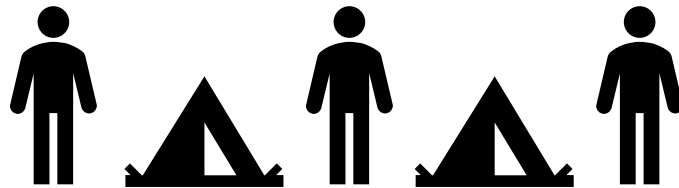
Why Housing Works

Tickets

Arrest

Shelter

Sweeps



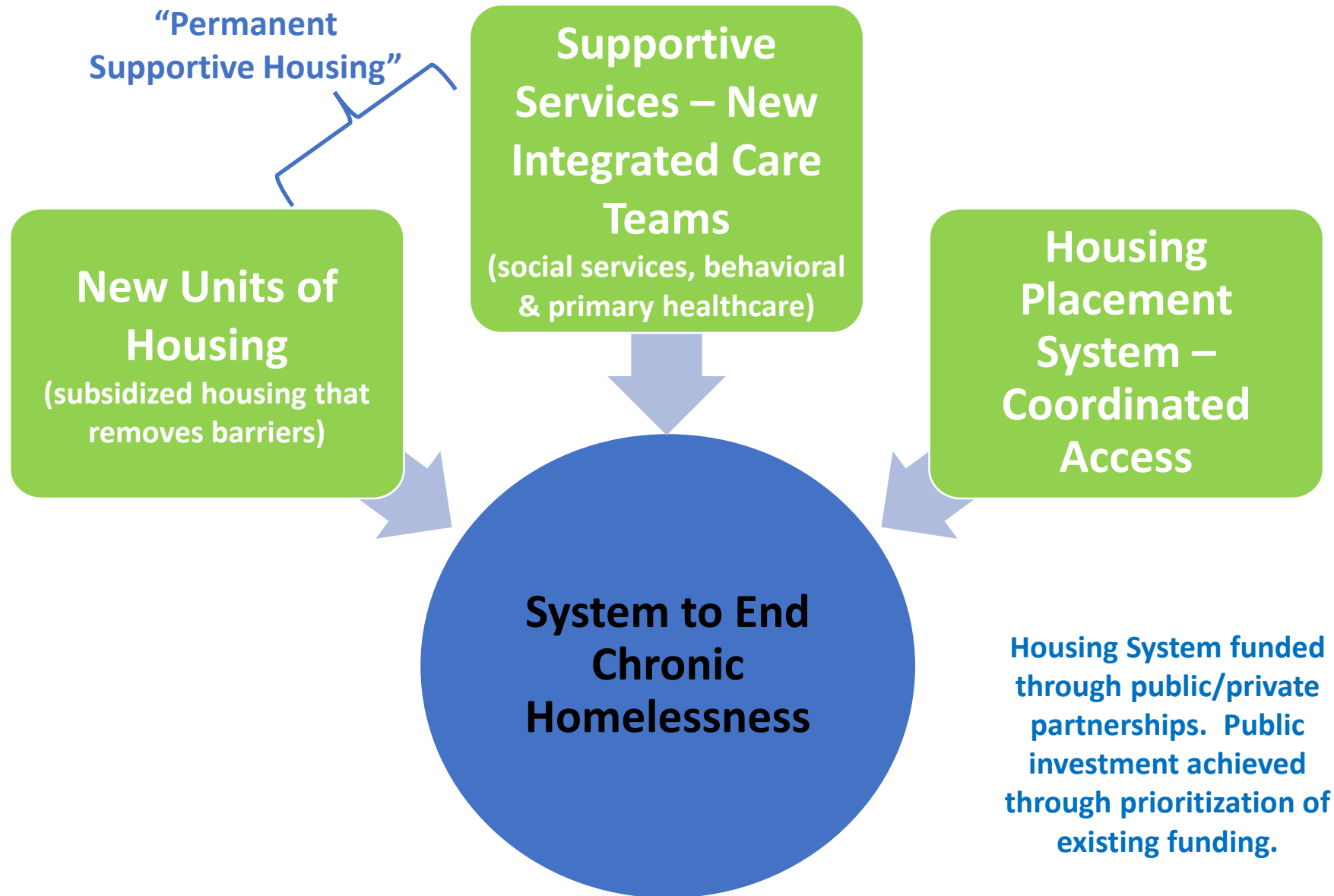
Traditional “Transitional” Housing



Housing First

- **Shelters**
- **Data-proven, National Best Practice**
- **Individual Choice**
- **Housing first, then Services**
- **Fiscally Conservative**

Strategy - Ending Chronic Homelessness



Supportive Housing – What we think it is?



PSH Communities



New Hope Housing - Sakowitz



The Women's Home - Jane Cizik Garden Place

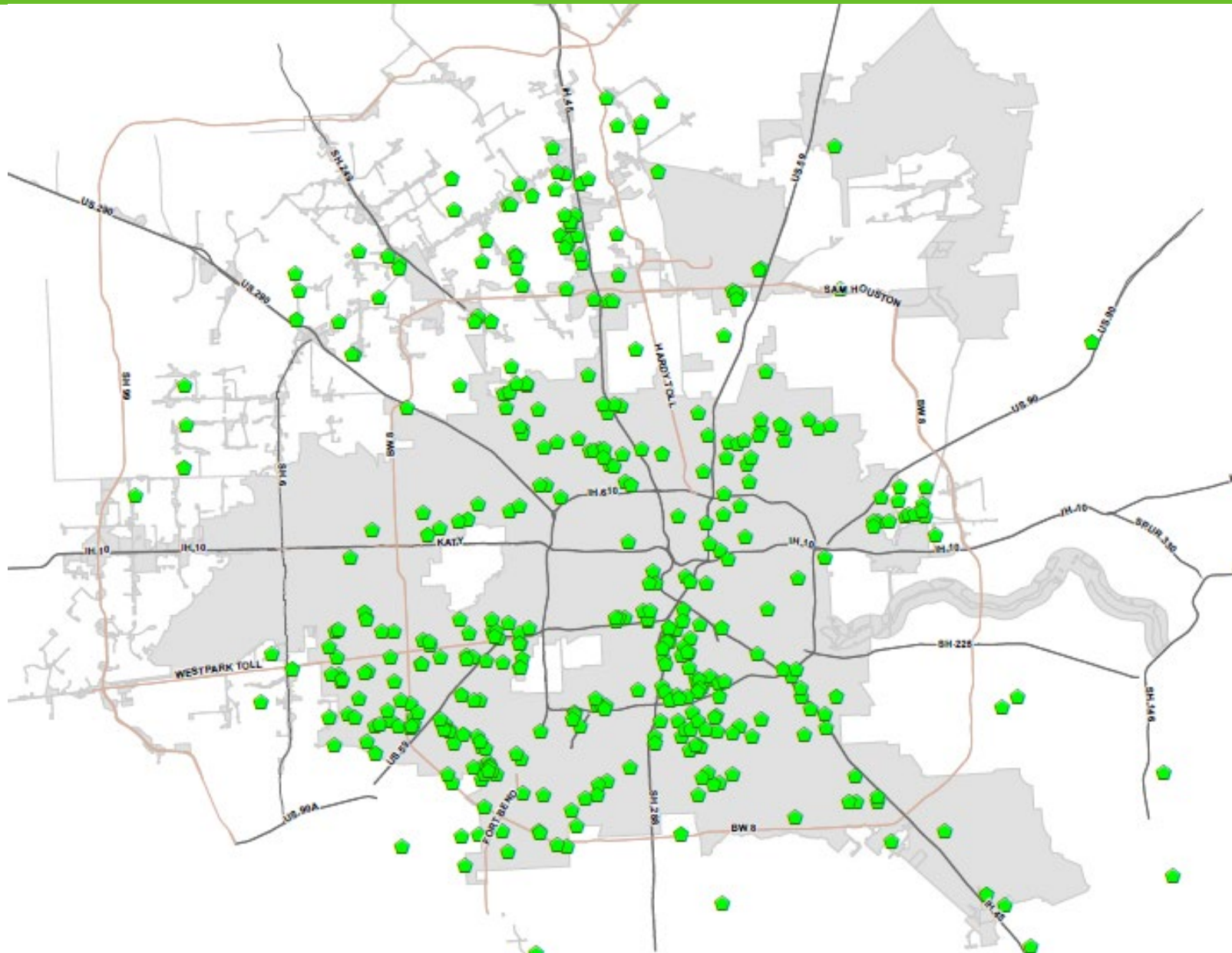


New Hope Housing's Rittenhouse



Travis Street Plaza Apartments

PSH – Scattered Site



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- **Guaranteed rent and utility payments**
- **Lower your eviction rate and costs**
- **Supplemental tenant management and services provided**



Coordinated Access

Housing Program Eligibility and Capacity

All programs available for enrollment are listed below. By default only programs that have eligibility criteria are displayed. The selected client is evaluated against the eligibility criteria for each program and a result for each is displayed below.

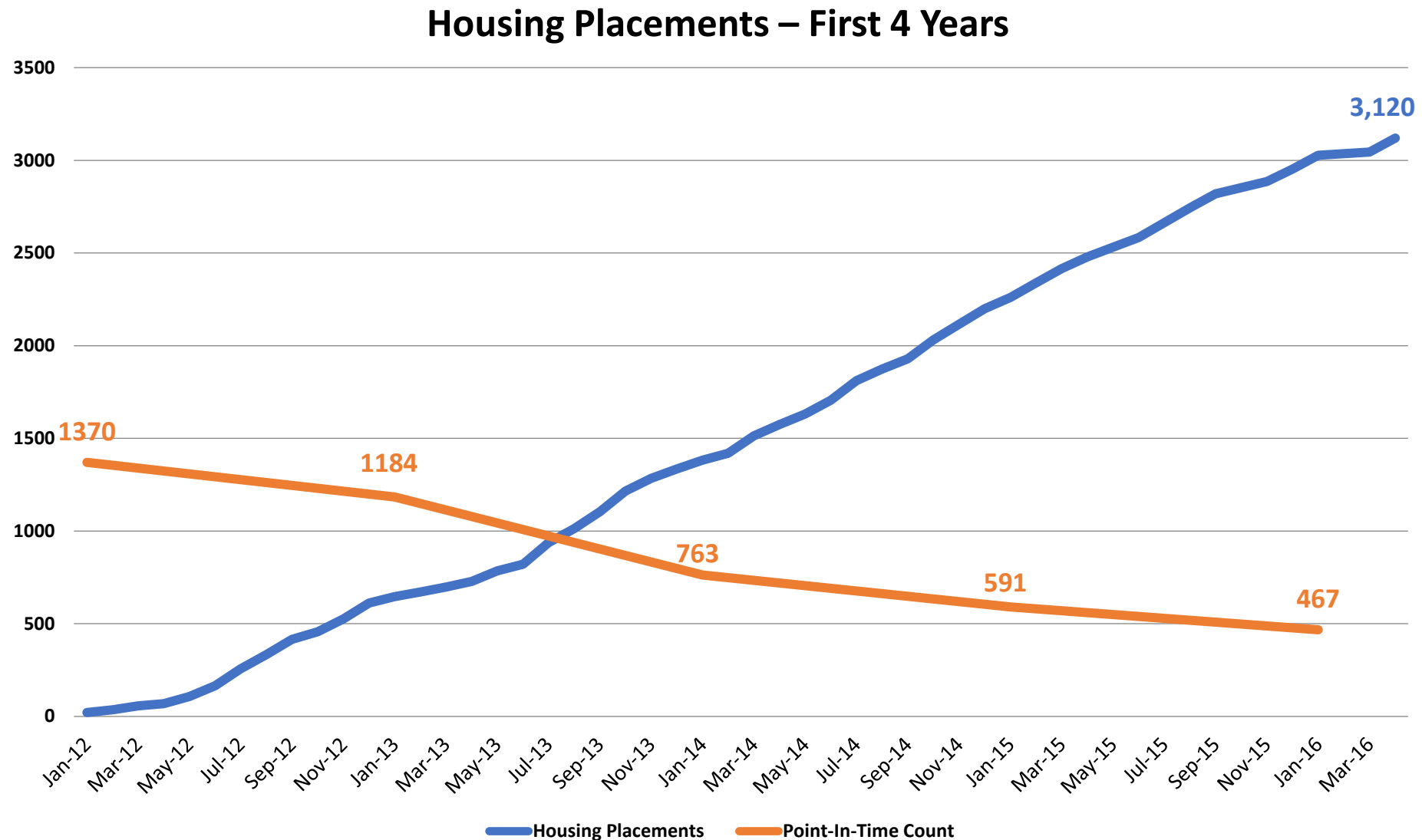
Only Display Programs with Eligibility Criteria: ☒

Facility	Waitlist	Eligibility Result	Additional Eligibility Detail	Program Details	Contact Phone	Facility Availability
A Helping Place (PSH for Singles) 500 W. Alabama Houston, Houston 77027		Passed				7 of 10 Bed(s) Available
A1 Family Housing (PSH for Families) 1111 Calhoun Houston, Houston 77002		Fail				29 of 29 Unit(s) Available
AFH - Project T.E.X.T.M.S.G. (Program Eligibility Requirements) 900 N. Durham #124 Houston, Houston 77004		Not enough data			713-623-6706	12 of 18 Bed(s) Available
Harmon House Permanent (PSH for Singles) Harmon House Permanent Houston 77002		Passed			713-623-6706	27 of 27 Bed(s) Available

Referral

Unit Availability

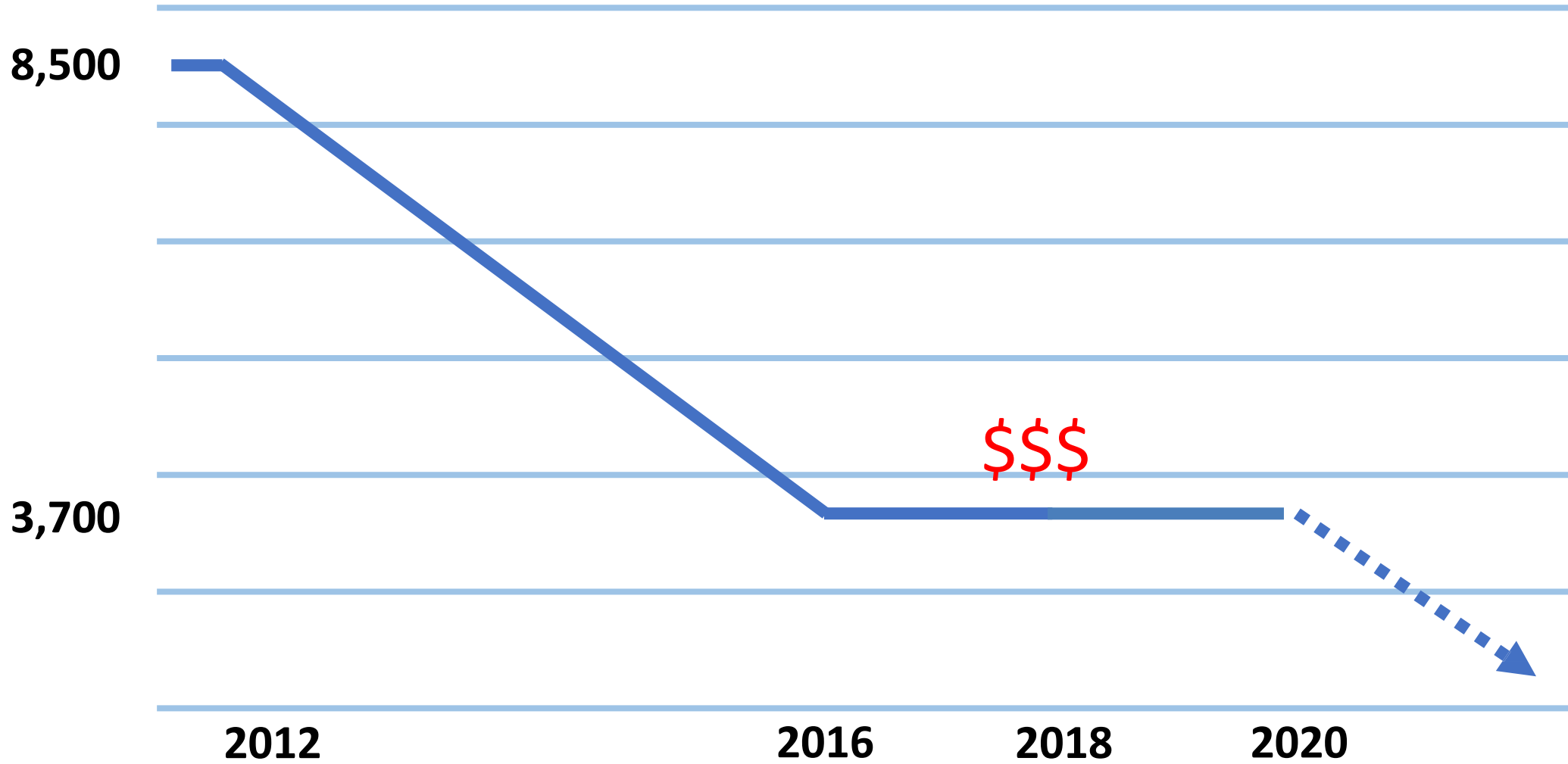
Chronic Homelessness



- 76% reduction in chronic homelessness (1/2011 – 1/2015)

COVID Homeless Housing Program

Homeless Population – Houston / Harris County



Community COVID-19 Homeless Housing Program (CCHHP)

Overview



Goal - House 5,000 Individuals

- 2 Year Program
- Housed 7,000+ individuals in first 14 months.
- Leading the nation in permanently housing the homeless during COVID



\$65 Million

- 90% Federal Funds
- 70% Federal COVID-19 Funds
- 13 different funding sources from 4 different entities
- Outreach/Housing Navigation, Rent, Supportive Services, etc.



Joint Project – City + County

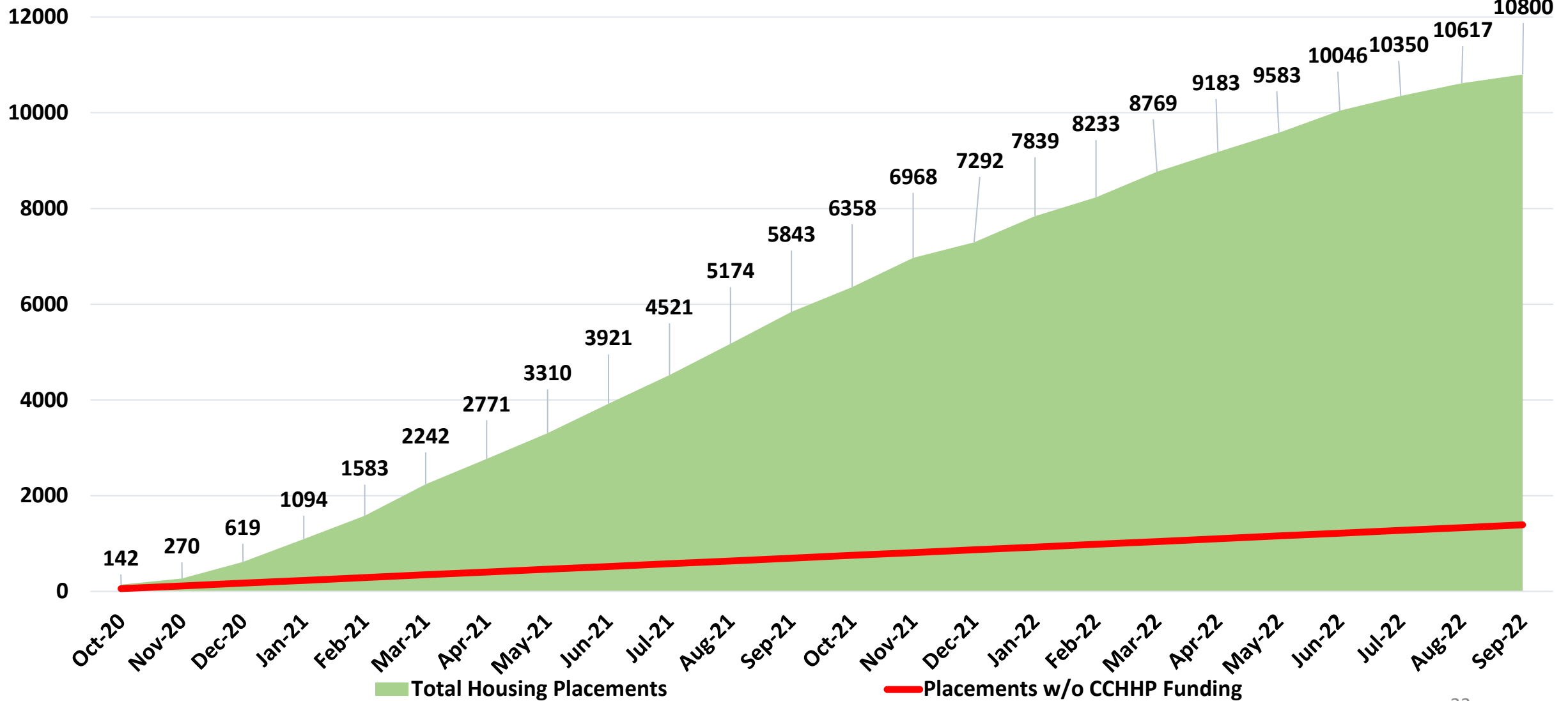
- Coalition for the Homeless – planning & management
- Local homeless agencies – housing and case management



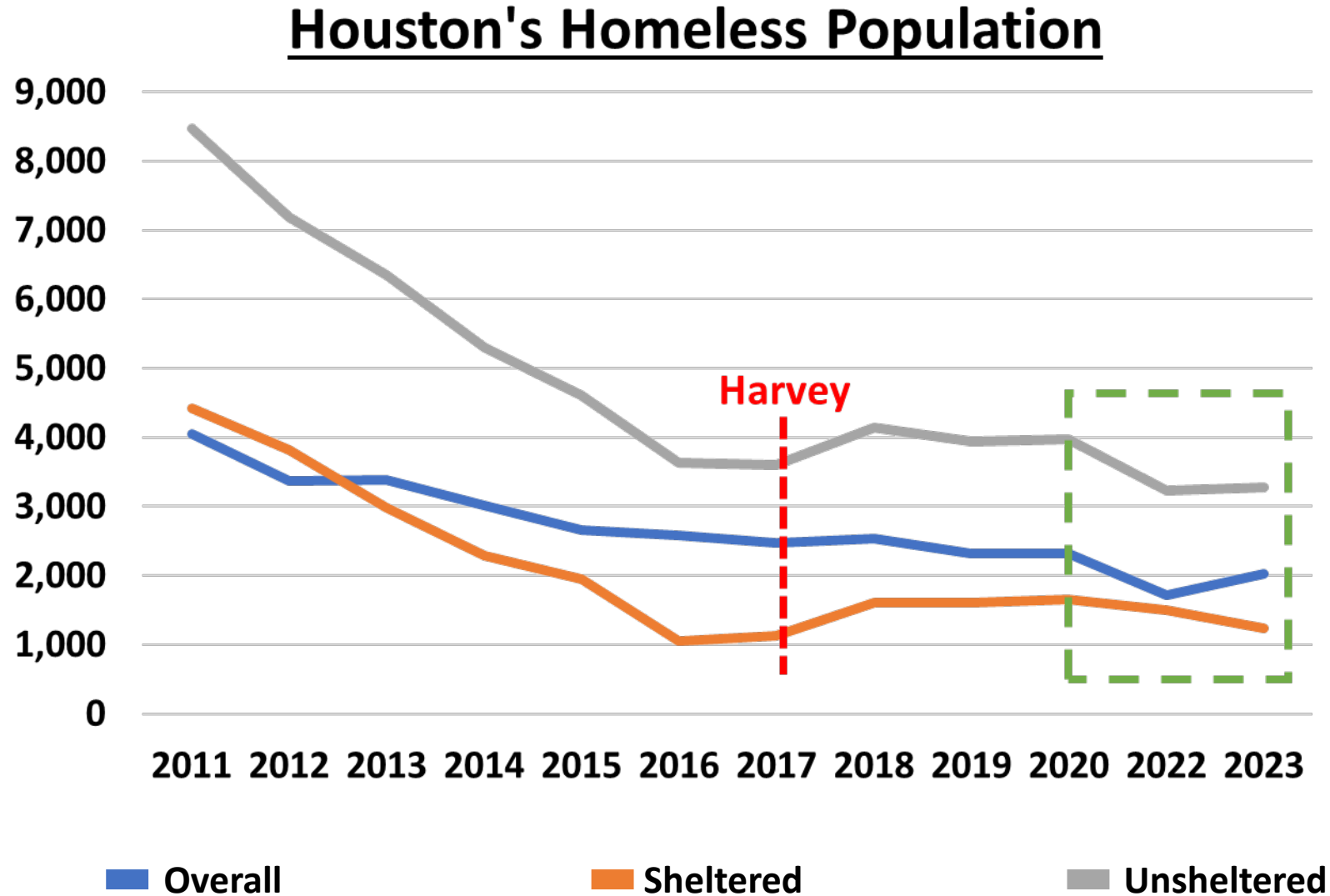
Housing as an Infectious Disease Control Response

COVID-19 Homeless Housing Program

Total Individuals Housed



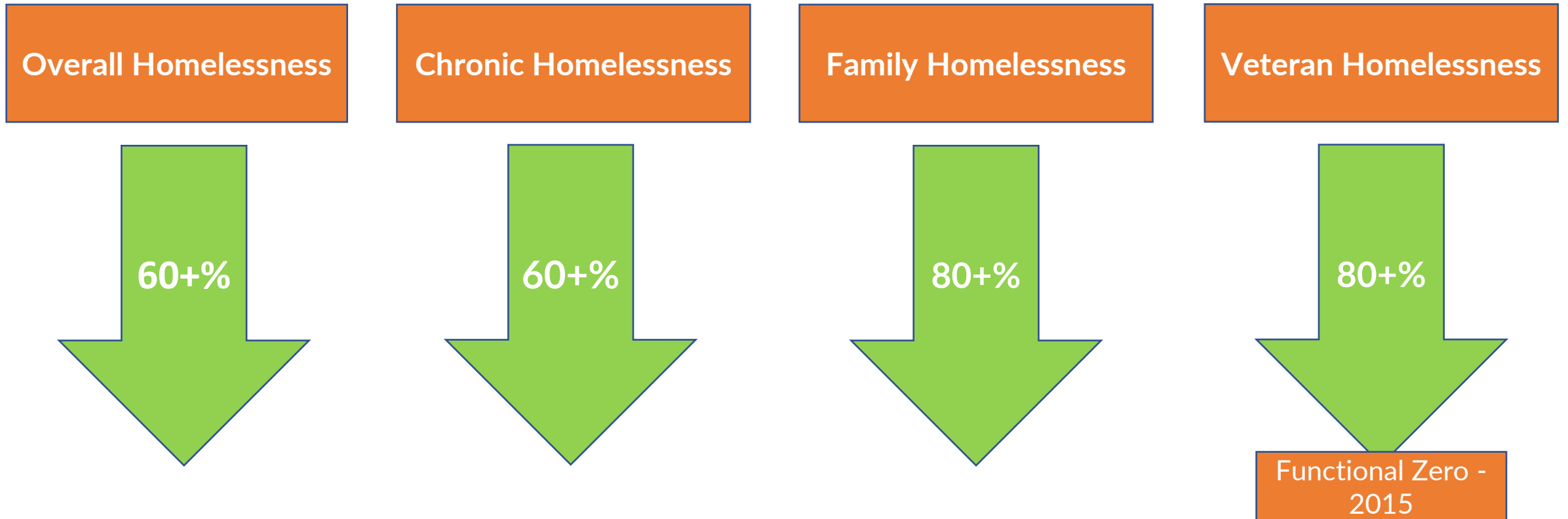
Impact: Population Trends/Changes



29,000+
Homeless Individuals

PERMANENTLY HOUSED
since 2012

60% reduction in homelessness since 2011



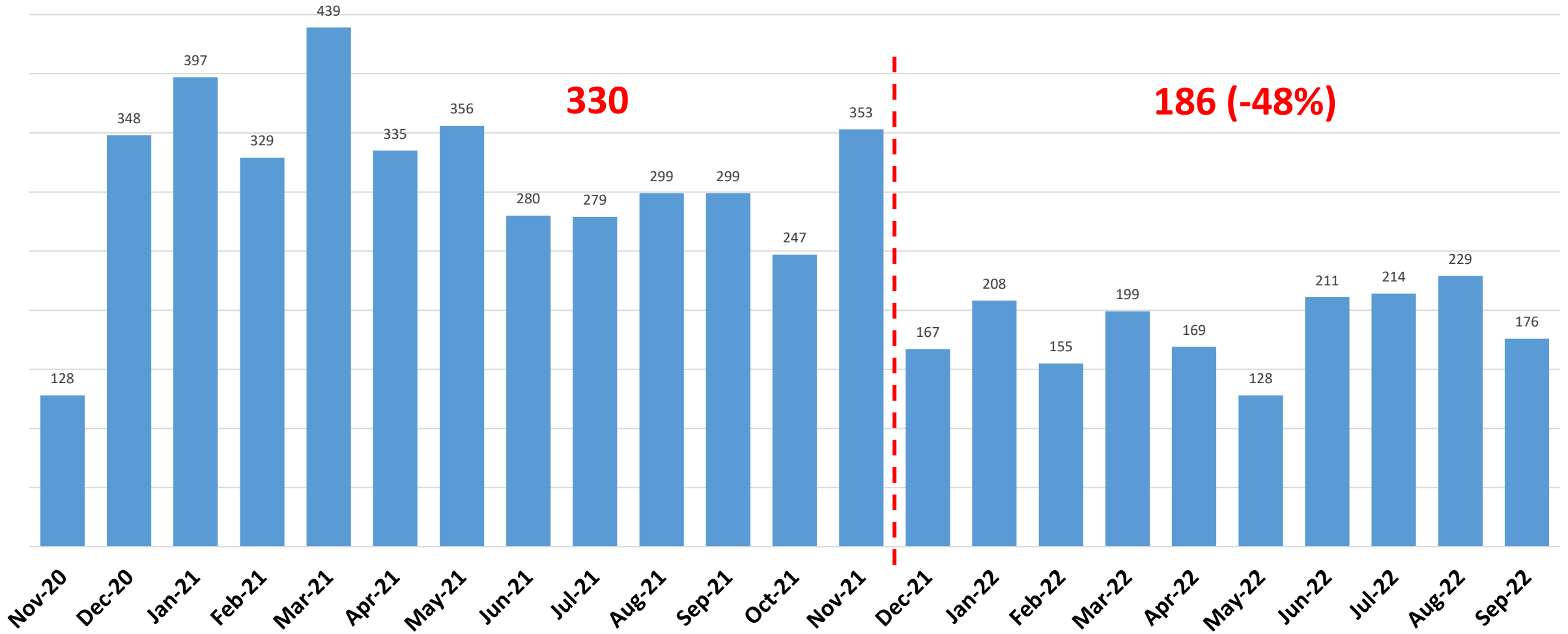
- 28,000+ Individuals Permanently Housed since 20011
- 9,300+ Clients Currently Housed

Creating Housing Units

Three Keys of Homeless Housing

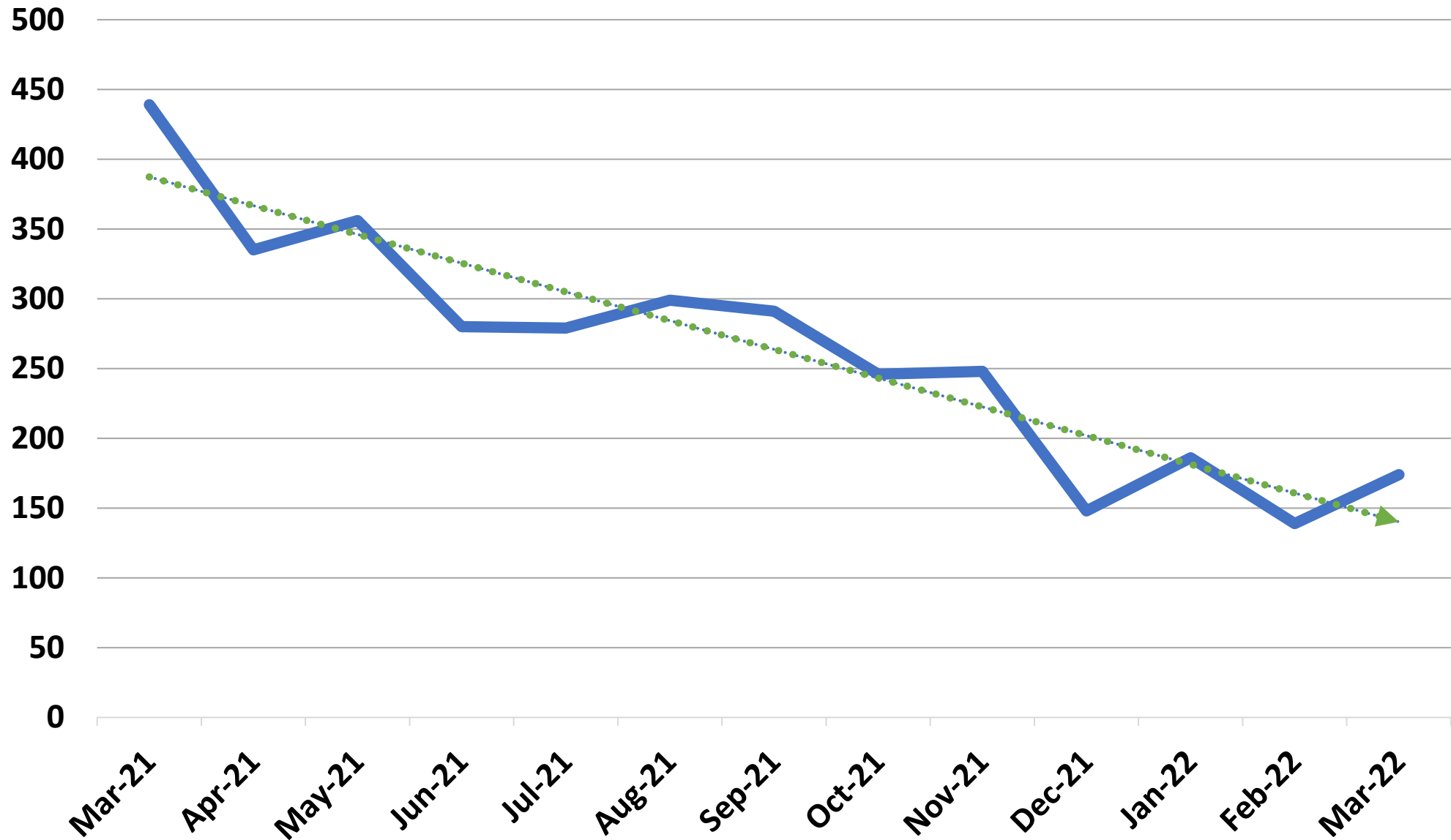


Total Monthly Housing Placements



1-Bedroom Shortage – Impact on Individuals Housed

(Permanent Housing: PSH + RRH)



Which Option?

- **Capital Development**
- **Multifamily Acquisition**
- **Non-Traditional Acquisition/Conversion**
- **Incentivize the Rental Market**

Additional Tools/Options

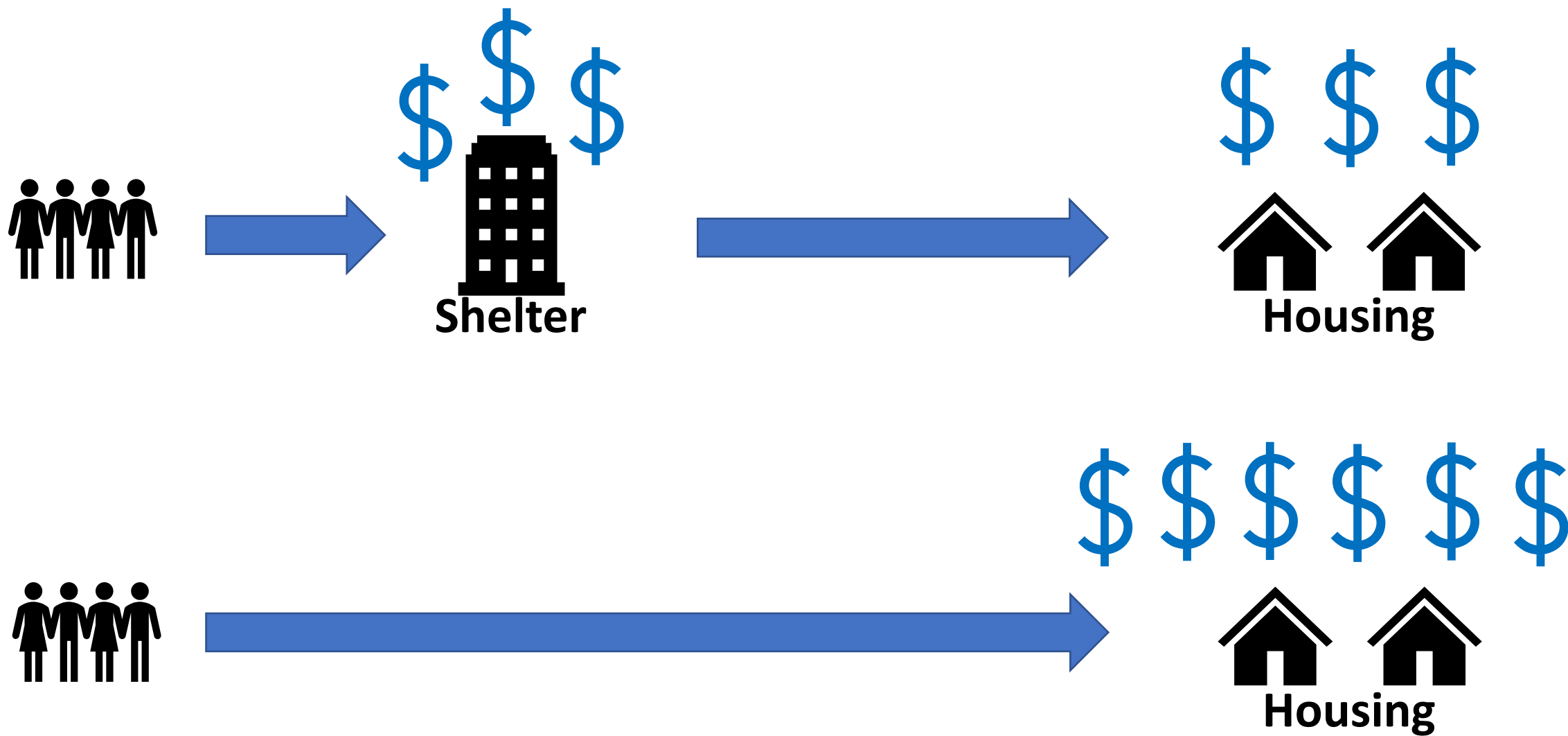
- Pipeline Meetings
- Concierge / Fast-Tracking
- Streamline Regulations

Key Principles

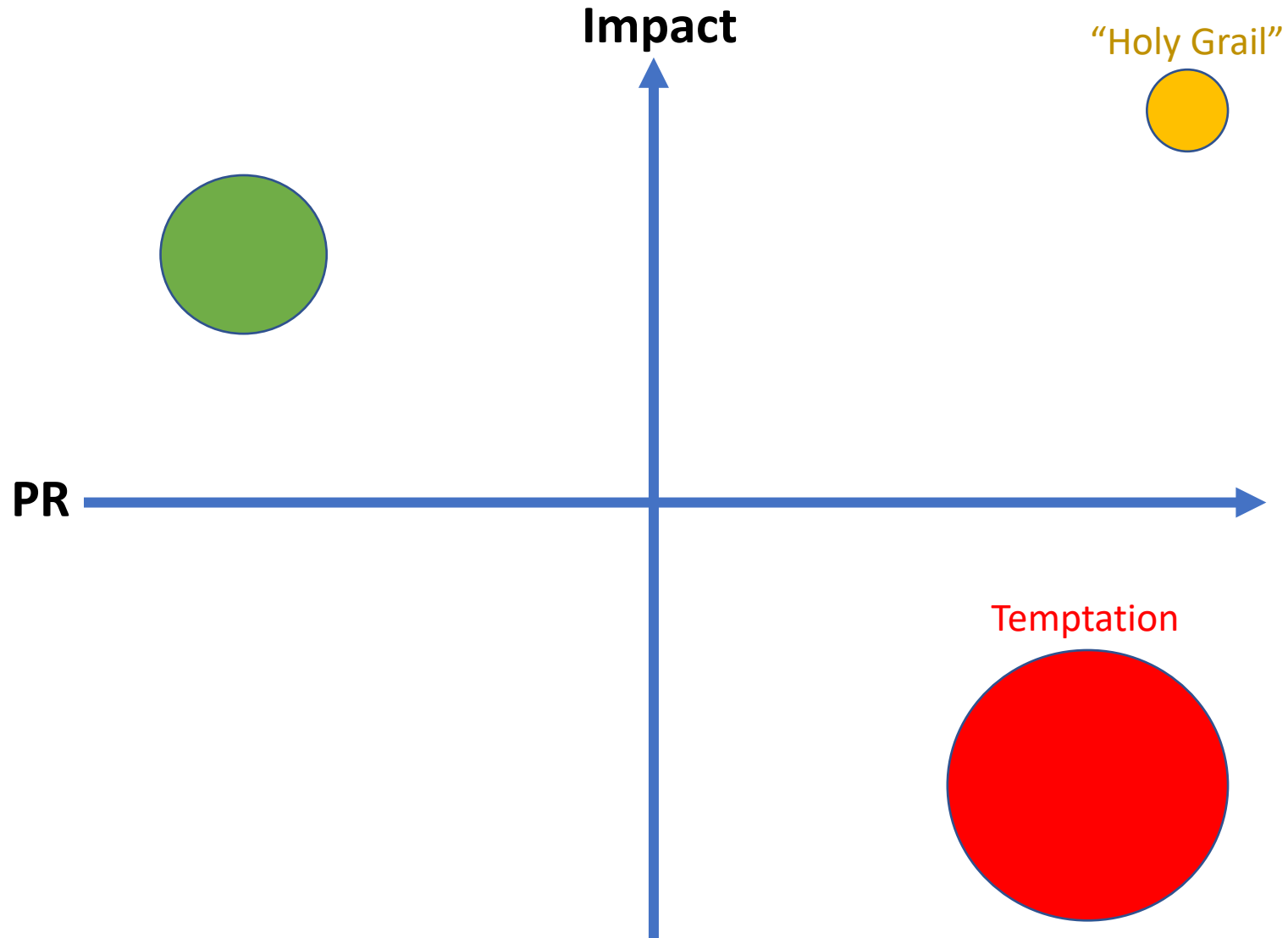
One Track Mind – Housing

Responding vs. Reducing

Housing Focused – Maximizing Resources



Impact vs. PR



Utilization ≠ Impact

Creating Housing vs. Creating Housing to Drive Impact

Homeless System - Integration

**Creating Affordable Housing
is NOT Enough**

Scalability

The Perfect vs. The Good

The 80% Rule

Move Fast, Modify As Needed

Culture of:
“Yes”
&
Barrier Busting

Political Will

Segmentation & Flexibility



Laser Focus



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