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Shifting Mindsets from the
Staircase Model to Housing First

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Who we are

- *A social initiative entity, non for profit, independent and plural*
- *Working at the national level*
- *Created in 1998*
- *We are certain that it is possible to eradicate homelessness.*

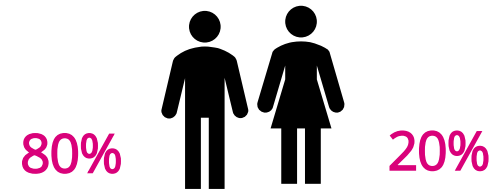
HOMELESSNESS IN SPAIN

8.000

People permanently
sleeping rough

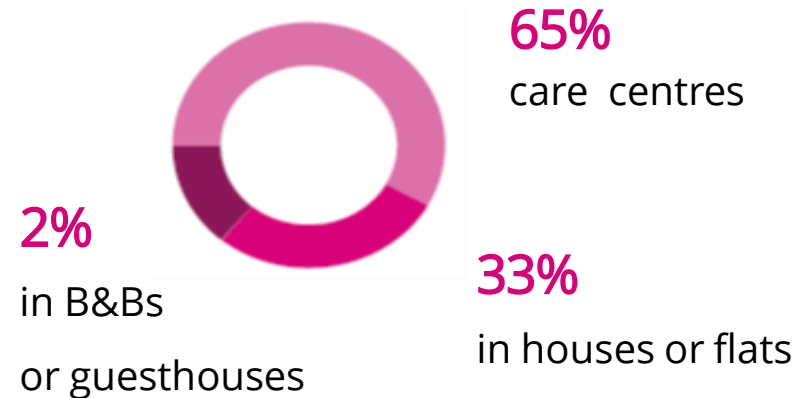
23.000

People experiencing
homelessness are using
services specialized for
them



20.643

beds in
homelessness
services

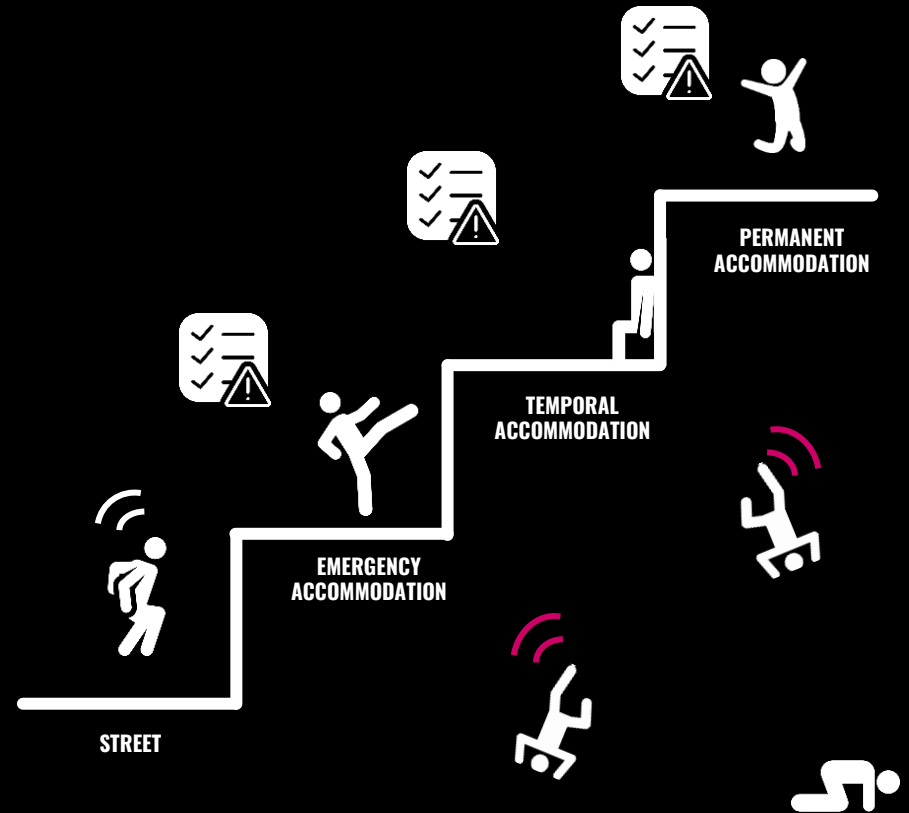


THE SYSTEM

There are a small percentage of people that are success

Many people are using homeless services in a stable way or as revolving door

The chronification is increasing and their life expectancy decreasing



HOUSING FIRST IN SPAIN: General context

Increase in the number of people on the street

Investment in homelessness

2012 – 201,135,223€

2014 – 220,782,022€

2016 – 314,146,756€

2018 (official figures)

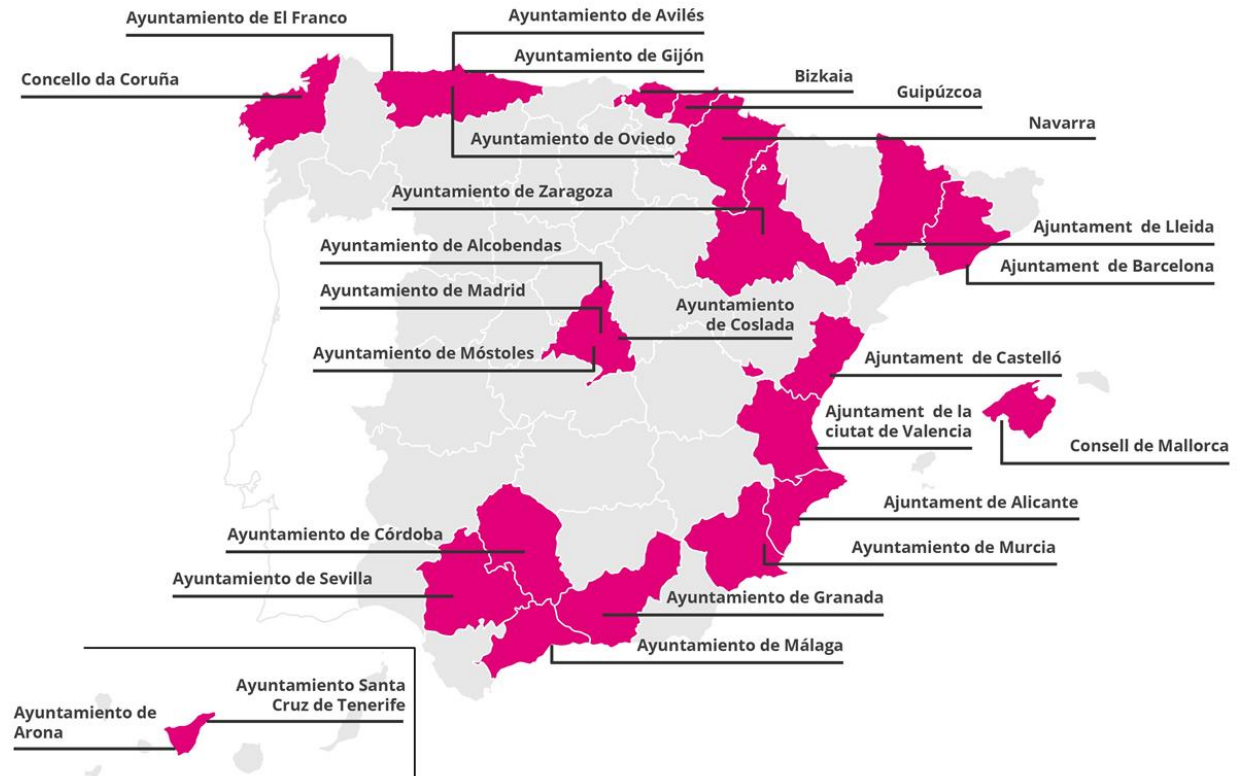
20,643 places (occupancy 89%)

373 HF homes (1.8% places)

2019

Approx. 500 HF homes

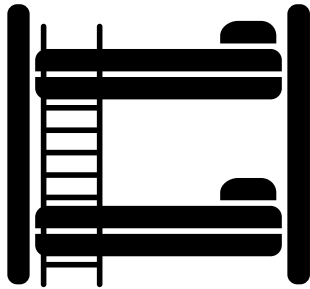
20 entities



2020: COVID-19

APPROACH: FROM PERSONS TO THE PROBLEM

Homeless people



IN THE CENTRE

Homelessness



FOCUS ON STRATEGY

The programme

Individual housing in the community (public and private)

Intensive case management and financial support

Housing support ratio 1/20 - Provivienda

Socio-educational support 1/10 – HOGAR SÍ

Customer commitments

One visit per week

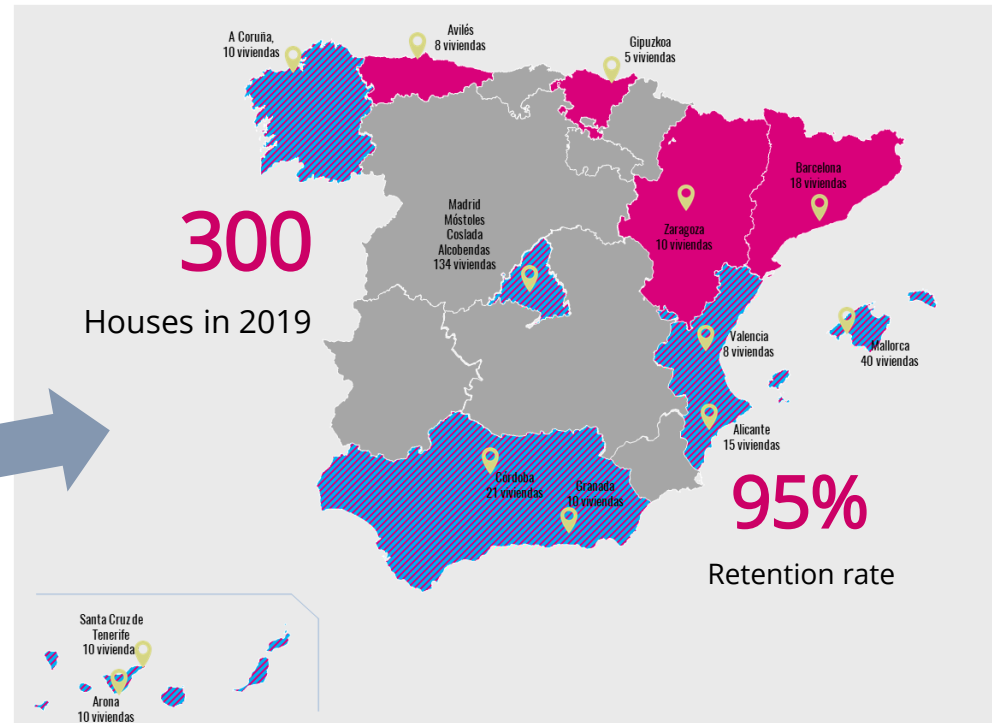
Provide up to 30% of income (if any)

Good coexistence and use of the house

Participate in the evaluation every 6 / 12 months



Houses in 2014



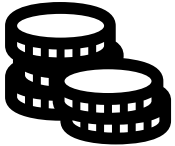
WHAT WAS WORKING?



Data



European projects and networks



Housing First cost



University



Experiences



Mass media

CHALLENGES FOR SHIFTING MINDSETS FROM THE STAIRCASE MODEL TO HF



- To **define public policies** that make homelessness visible and address it in a specific, transversal and effective way.
- To have **specific budget** items aimed at developing and implementing policies for homelessness.
- To advance in the inter-institutional and interdepartmental **coordination** necessary to implement policies against homelessness.
- **Conflicts of competence** between the National and Regional administration, especially in the area of housing.
- Enable a context of greater **government stability** that facilitates the sustainability of public policies
- Generate a **friendly** administrative, legal and financing **environment** for the technical implementation of Housing First projects run by public administrations.
- To facilitate the **professional transition** of homelessness services based on emergency management towards a system focused on the eradication of homelessness

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