

What are the barriers faced by previously incarcerated individuals in securing adequate housing in Toronto?

According to studies, housing and employment are two main things that help in successful reintegration into society and reduce the chances of reoffending

Percentage of homelessness Pre Custody



2.3 out 10 are found to be homeless

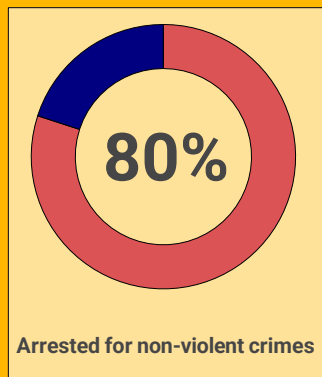
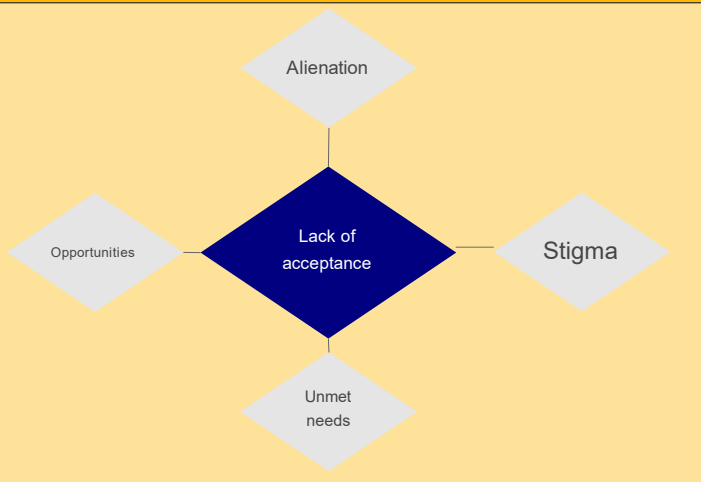
Percentage of homelessness Post Custody



3.2 out 10 are found to be homeless

Barriers

- Landlord Reference
- Credit Score
- Unemployment
- Social Stigma



Recommendations

- ✓ Access to suspend their record upon release free of charge, upon displaying the ability to become a law abiding citizen.
- ✓ Reduce societal stigma through education
- ✓ Personalized services based on individual's need

Source:

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