



HF4Y Housing First 4 Youth



ENDING HOMELESSNESS WITH HOUSING FIRST

What Do We Mean?

Housing First for Youth is rights based approach to supporting young people in housing which has adapted the core principles of Housing First to meet the specific needs of young people. History: co-developed in Europe and Canada starting in 2015

Strong evidence base:

- HF4Y pilot projects in Scotland and France, success in Ireland, Netherlands, and Canada



WHY DOES IT WORK?

Adapted for young people's needs:

- Different support networks
- Different housing options
- Relationship-based model
- Youth-oriented support
- Prevention and example of DI
- Particularly for care-experienced young people;
- Bridge between care system and independent adult life



HF4Y– Key Elements

- 5 core principles
- Support for young people throughout transitions
- Positive outcomes for young people and workers
- Prevention focused
- Trigger – starting point – for systems change and coalition working – A Way Home approach



Immediate access to housing
with no pre-conditions



Social and community
integration



Positive youth development
orientation



Individualized and
client-driven supports



Youth choice and
self-determination

CORE PRINCIPLES OF HF4Y



THANK YOU!

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