

In this Unit we will explore the root causes of homelessness from the systems' perspective.

It aims at discussing:

- the root causes of homelessness
- the situation at European Union level
- the role of the peer supporters in the homeless sector

How to keep up:

Through the discussion you will have the possibility to explore on stereotypes and prejudices, the ways they are strengthened, their consequences and the exclusions they create and support, and how such stereotypes may be considered as caricatures of the persons they refer to. As a peer supporter you will come across different challenges. Being open to discuss them and defining your role with clarity will help you to overcome them.

Facts

There are several websites where you can find out useful information about the current situation of homelessness in Europe or other parts of the world. There are a few links below if you wish to have a look:

1. [Combatting homelessness – a priority for Social Europe](#)
2. [FEANTSA Homeless Bill of Rights](#)
3. [UN Homelessness and human rights](#)
4. [Majority of Canadians believe it's urgent to end homelessness](#)

Listen some interesting stories and get to know the [World Homeless Day](#).

[Cardboard Stories](#) | [Homeless in Orlando](#)

