

# Ready to Roommate - The McCarthy Shared Housing Model



## The Struggle of \$even

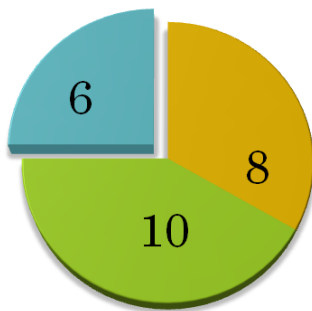
- The median income for those experiencing homelessness in New Haven is \$721 (SSI)
- People have to choose between eating or sleeping with such low incomes
- We needed a non-subsidy housing option for low income single adults

## The Model

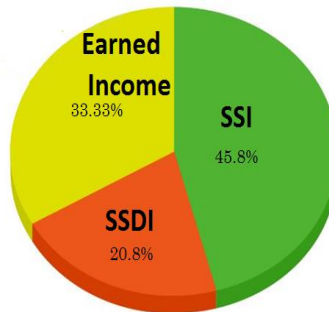


- Apartments – Three bedroom with common areas (kitchen, bathroom, living room)
- Leases – Individual six month leases, always renewable
- Rents – Never exceed \$500 and as low as \$300
- Groups – A six week curriculum reduces anxiety and acclimates clients into housing
- Expectations – Roommate to roommate & tenant to landlord are set by the tenants
- Turnover – The rooms are a stepping stone, movement equals opportunity

Retention



- Current
- Walked Out
- Moved On



## Rents reflect income

