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The goal of the Adelaide Zero Project is to end street homelessness in the inner city and ultimately end homelessness in South Australia.

This project will engage with all people sleeping on the streets of the Adelaide inner city area.

A person is recognised as a rough sleeper if they are living in a:

- Street/park/out in the open
- Improved building or dwelling
- Tent
- Boat
- Motor vehicle
- Cabin

Source: SA Housing Authority



Coverage

The City of Adelaide boundaries, which includes the Central Business District, North Adelaide and the parklands.

- Central Business District
- North Adelaide
- Parklands

Functional Zero

Functional Zero is reached when the number of people who are homeless in a city at any point in time is no greater than the average monthly housing placement rate.



Housing First

Housing First is a key principle of Adelaide Zero Project.

Homelessness Funding in SA

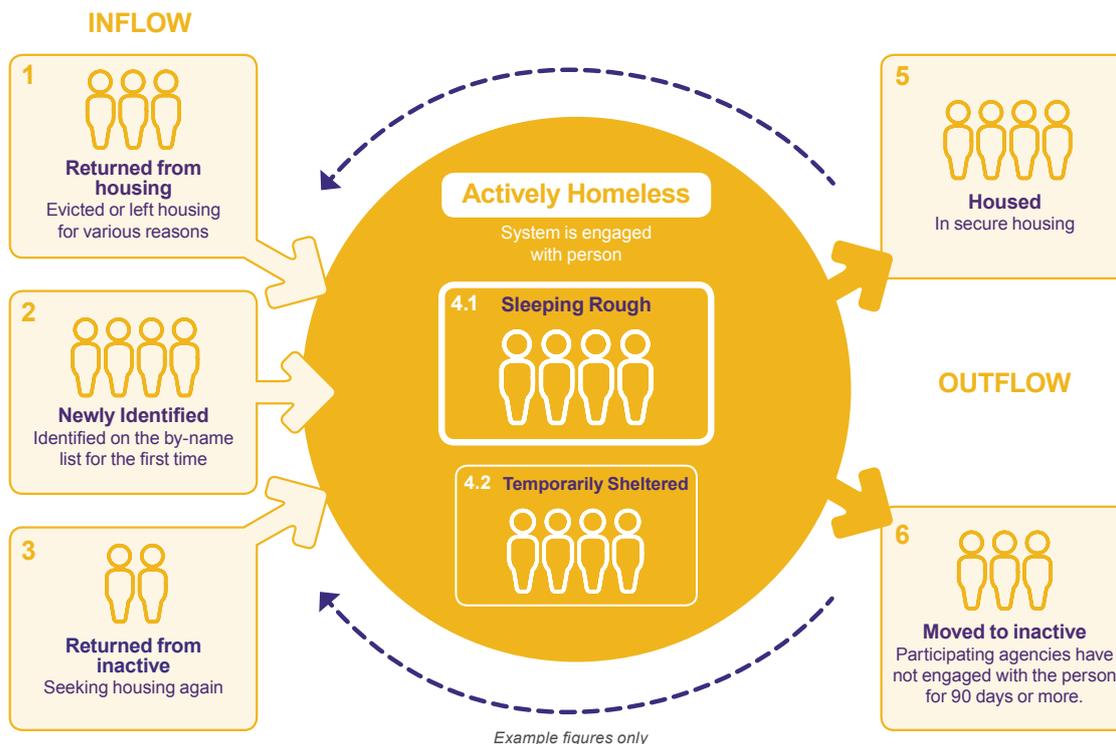
\$ **67** Mil
in funding provided
from various sources in 2018/19.

This funded...

37 government and non-government organisations

79 programs over 97 service outlets across the state

17 key government & non-government Specialist Homelessness Services in the inner city



Phases of the Adelaide Zero Project



Rough sleeping in Adelaide's inner city

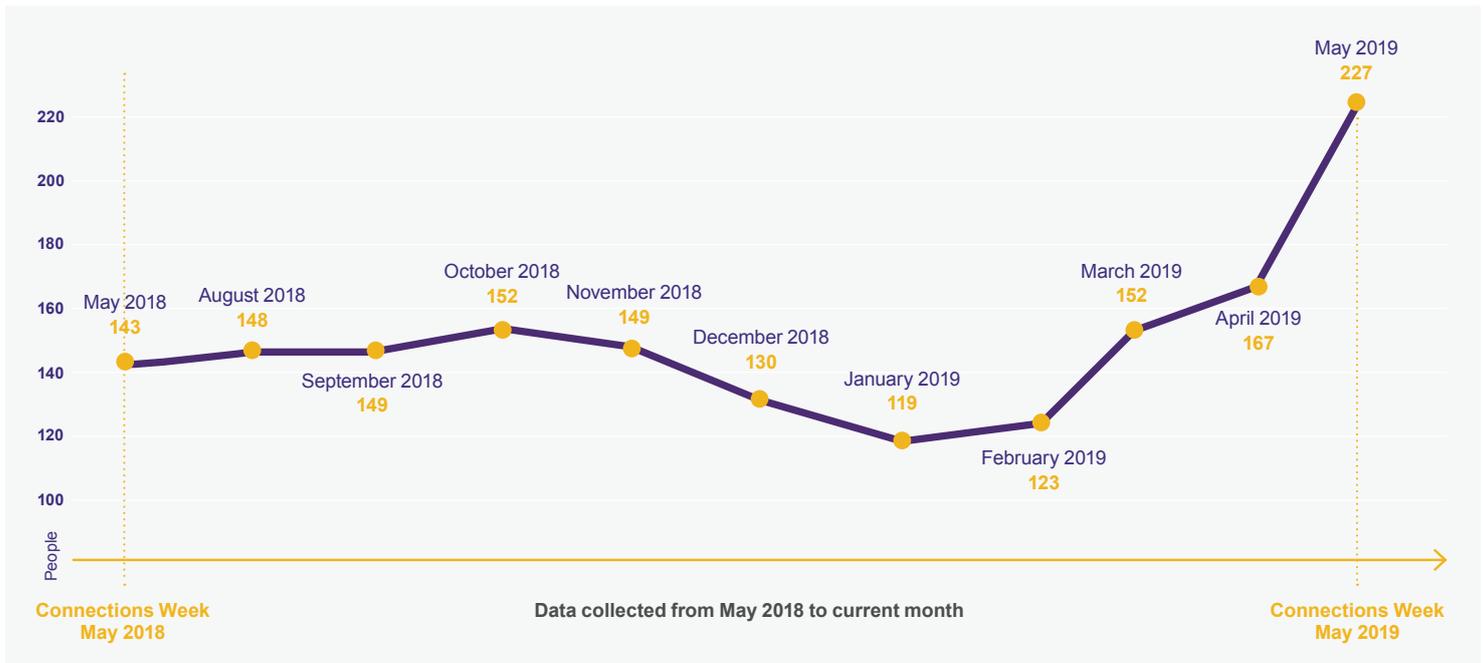
2019 Connections Week data

Information collected in Connections Week helps services to improve a real-time By-Name List used to coordinate housing and support for people sleeping rough in the city. In May 2018, volunteers engaged with **143** people sleeping rough during Connections Week.

227  people were known to be **sleeping rough** in Adelaide's inner city during **Connections Week** in May 2019.

161

 **housing placements** have been offered to people on the **By-Name List** **SINCE MAY 2018**

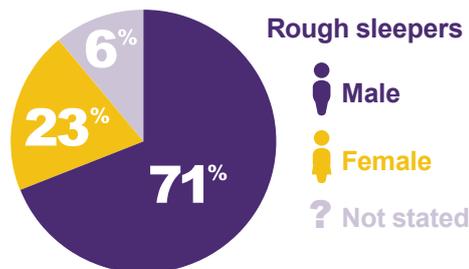


Demographics and Impacts on Homelessness*

32.6% of rough sleepers were **ABORIGINAL** and/or **TORRES STRAIT ISLANDER**



despite being only 2% of the South Australian population



Length of time sleeping rough*

58%

had been sleeping rough for more than **2 years**

40%

were homeless **3 or more** times in the **past year**

26%

has been sleeping rough for less than **1 year**



72%
Physical health issues



72%
Mental health issues



73%
Substance abuse



44%
Relationship breakdown



47% have a **combination** of physical, mental and substance abuse issues

*Based on 119 people surveyed during Connections Week in May 2019

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