

From Streets to Homes Association

We create homes



Aims and principles

We believe that everyone needs a place they can call home. Our aim is to alleviate the housing crisis, so we work to help **as many homeless and needy people as possible get social housing**. According to our **Housing First** approach, the existing shelter-based system of homeless care cannot offer a real way out of homelessness, therefore instead of shelters we must offer social housing at a reasonable price and help tenants with **intensive social work**. In the course of our work we have already provided housing for almost 40 people and we help our clients every week. Over the past years more than a hundred volunteers have joined our home-creating work. Besides this, we also consider it a central task to help change people's thinking regarding homeless people and the services targeting them.

Our housing programs

From Huts to Homes!

Our program offers the possibility to use municipality-owned flats that are in a bad condition and are not suitable for living. These are renovated with the help of civil society organizations, private donors and future tenants; this produces profit for the municipality and provides long-term sustainable housing for tenants. Homeless people living in the street or in self-built huts can move into these flats and pay affordable rent for them. The renovation is done by volunteers and future tenants. At present, our From Huts to Homes! program operates in 14 flats in the 10th and 19th districts of Budapest.

Housing Agency – Housing Now!

Our flat agency program, realized in cooperation with Housing Now Foundation, handles privately owned flats that are trusted to us by their owners and are used as social housing. This helps reduce the number of empty, unused flats in the country.



Mobile home program

Our Mobile Home Program is an innovative social enterprise; our organization's flat agency connects homeless people, municipalities and private philanthropic investors who own real estate. Our clients in need can rent insulated homes with all modern conveniences and with low rental and maintenance costs built on plots. We buy or rent empty plots of land and plant Scandinavian-style second-hand mobile homes on them, which are considerably cheaper than flats but provide the same level of comfort. For supporters this is a form of investment, which after a while pays off

Give Work!

An indispensable part of our housing programs is successful integration into the labor market. We find it important to help our clients not only with creating safe housing but with making them able to keep it by finding a job. Give Work! is a service which connects people living in poverty and social exclusion and wishing to work, and employers who look for short- or long-term employees. The program includes an online advertising platform where you can search by employee and by job, and we organize weekly meetings where those looking for work can offer peer support to each other.

