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BECAUSE NOBODY SHOULD SUFFER FROM DENTAL PAIN

OUR VISION

Our vision is to create a Dental Service that is accessible to the Homeless community so that **EVERYONE**, regardless of their housing situation and regardless of who they are, are able to be free of dental pain.

OUR MISSION

Q: Have you ever found yourself in a position where you aren't sure where your next meal will come from?

Q: Have you ever slept outside in the cold because you don't have any other choice?

Q: Have you ever feared going to sleep, because you sleep on the streets?

Now imagine having to do this while suffering with dental pain.

Our mission is to offer Dental Treatment to those in need. To those that through circumstance are unable to access Dental treatment through the traditional channels.

Together, we have the ability to Solve this crisis.

OUR PLAN

The Pain Clinic is partnering with a well established charity in Central London called "**Shelter from the Storm**".

Shelter from the Storm have 1 clear mission. That is to "House and support the homeless in London whoever they are, wherever they come from. Our vision is of a society where charities like Shelter from the Storm are no longer necessary."

Shelter from the Storm have worked tirelessly since its formation in 2007 to bring their vision a little closer to reality.

They have partnered with companies such as Cafe Nero and The Pullman Group to offer their guests access to paid work, in order for them to begin rebuilding their lives.

Shelter from the Storm guests have access to Medical care, Careers advisors, mental health advisors and many more services to support them in rebuilding their lives.

This is where **The Pain Clinic** comes in to action!

OUR PLAN

It is our intention to provide access to immediate dental care. Whether that be a routine check up, a filling or an extraction. **The Pain Clinic** plans to offer these services onsite to the guests of **Shelter from the Storm**.

Initially, we will deliver this service on a monthly basis.

Once we are established and confident that we are able to meet the needs of the Guests at **Shelter from the Storm**, we will take our services to other shelters, in and around London.

Once we have established ourselves in London and are supporting as many people as possible, we will begin to move across the UK, making this a nationally recognised charity, working hard to increase access to Dental Services for **EVERYONE**.

WHY SUPPORT US?

Well, simply put, why not.....?

If you aren't convinced that this is a worthy cause and that the need does not exist by now, please continue to read this Pamphlet for some of the statistics that exist around homelessness.

If you are convinced that this is a worthy cause, please reach out to pledge your support!

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THE REALITY

In February 2021, Shelter estimated that over 280,000 people were homeless in the England alone.

This figure is separate from 98,000 people living in temporary accommodation such as hostels.

Shelter also reports that there may be an additional 62% of this 98,000 population, that are "Sofa Surfing". Not through choice.

In recent years, London has become an epicentre for homelessness, with 1 in 13 homeless people being recorded here.

Its reported that homeless people actually cost the UK more per head on an annual basis. Figures suggest the cost is £20,000 per year rather than £11,000. This additional cost is due to a number of contributing factors:

- 82% of homeless people are reported to have a mental health illness
- The longer a person is homeless, the higher the chance of them becoming reliant on Drugs or Alcohol
- Homeless people often utilise crime to fund these addictions

THE REALITY

- A homeless person will often have great health concerns, often as a result of not being able to access support or medical attention like you would.
- Shockingly, the average life span of a longterm homeless person is 47 (44 for women), compared to the national average of 77

It is important to remember that homelessness isn't always as a result of Drug and Alcohol abuse. There are a raft of reasons some of which are:

- Being made Redundant
- Low Wages
- Unaffordable housing rendering people unable to meet their monthly commitments.
- Unhealthy or unsupportive family environment
- Sexuality

YOUR HELP

For **The Pain Clinic** to succeed, we need all the help we can lay our hands on.

From donations of materials and equipment, to time and financial support.

Everything that we receive will be poured in to achieving our mission of **Offering dental treatment to those that through circumstance are unable to access Dental treatment through the traditional channels.**

Attached to this pamphlet is a list of Equipment and Materials that are essential to enabling us to achieve this mission.

Can you help....?

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