1,000 homeless people sleeping on the streets in S’pore: Study

Six in 10 of the homeless interviewed in nationwide study were working, mostly in low-wage jobs

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The first nationwide study of homelessness in Singapore found that about 1,000 people were sleeping on the streets. They were sleeping rough in most parts of the island, but more were found in the outlying and large housing projects such as those near the airport.

These areas are also where more rental flats are located. "Homelessness is linked to poverty. The study did not specify which areas in the city it was referring to," said an official.

Most of the homeless interviewed said they were working, mostly in low-wage jobs. But they all had different incomes, ranging from $600 to $1,000 a month. The Ministry of Social and Family Development has identified a number of factors that lead to homelessness, including a lack of affordable housing and the increasing cost of living.

Some of the homeless interviewed said they had been fired from their jobs, or had lost their homes because of financial problems or trotz verloren gehen. Others said they had been diagnosed with mental health conditions and had difficulty finding employment.

The study found that most of the homeless in Singapore were helping others to find work and housing. Some of them were also helping to provide money for medical expenses. The Ministry of Social and Family Development is working with community partners to provide housing and financial assistance to the homeless.

The study also found that the homeless and their families are very socially connected. They often provide each other with food, clothing, and other basic necessities. The Ministry of Social and Family Development is working with community partners to provide housing and financial assistance to the homeless.

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Half of the homeless were found to be sleeping on the streets for less than a year, and nearly one in three said they had been homeless for five years or more. They slept in places like void decks, commercial buildings, and playgrounds.

The study was conducted by the National University of Singapore and the National University of Singapore. The researchers interviewed a total of 300 homeless people, including 200 from low-income families and 100 from other socioeconomic groups.

The researchers who came up with the first nationwide study of the homeless in 2019 have drawn up a list of recommendations to better support the homeless. The group is led by Professor Khi Lim, an expert in geriatric medicine and social work from the National University of Singapore.

Professor Lim said the Ministry of Social and Family Development needs to make more investments in affordable housing and public transport to help homeless people get back on their feet.

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