

Better support for elderlies who experienced homelessness

Trieste, 8th June 2022

Poverty
Observatory

Training

Community
building

Young Caritas

Counseling

Specialised
services

Reception
system

Basic
needs

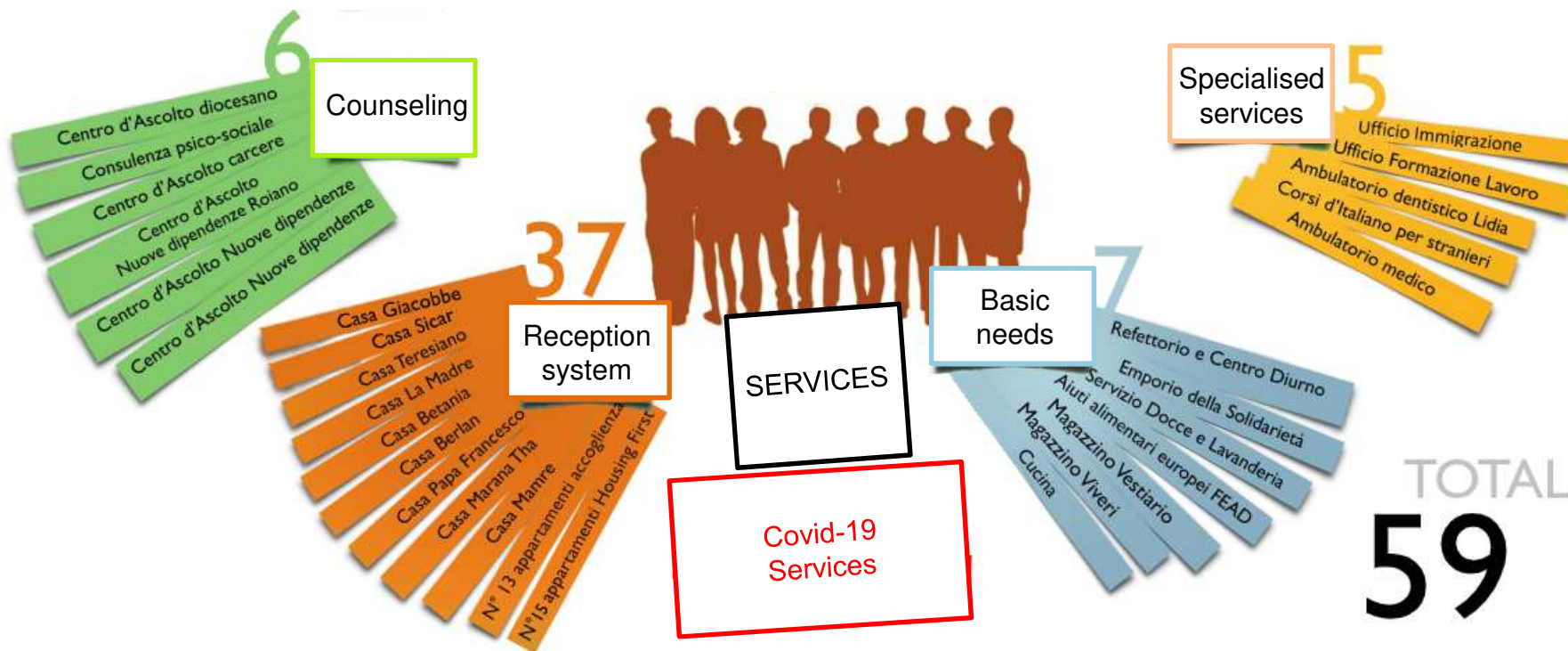
SERVICES

Covid-19
Services

TOTAL
59
SERVICES

130 employees

450 volunteers



TRIESTE (Italy)



234.493 inhabitants

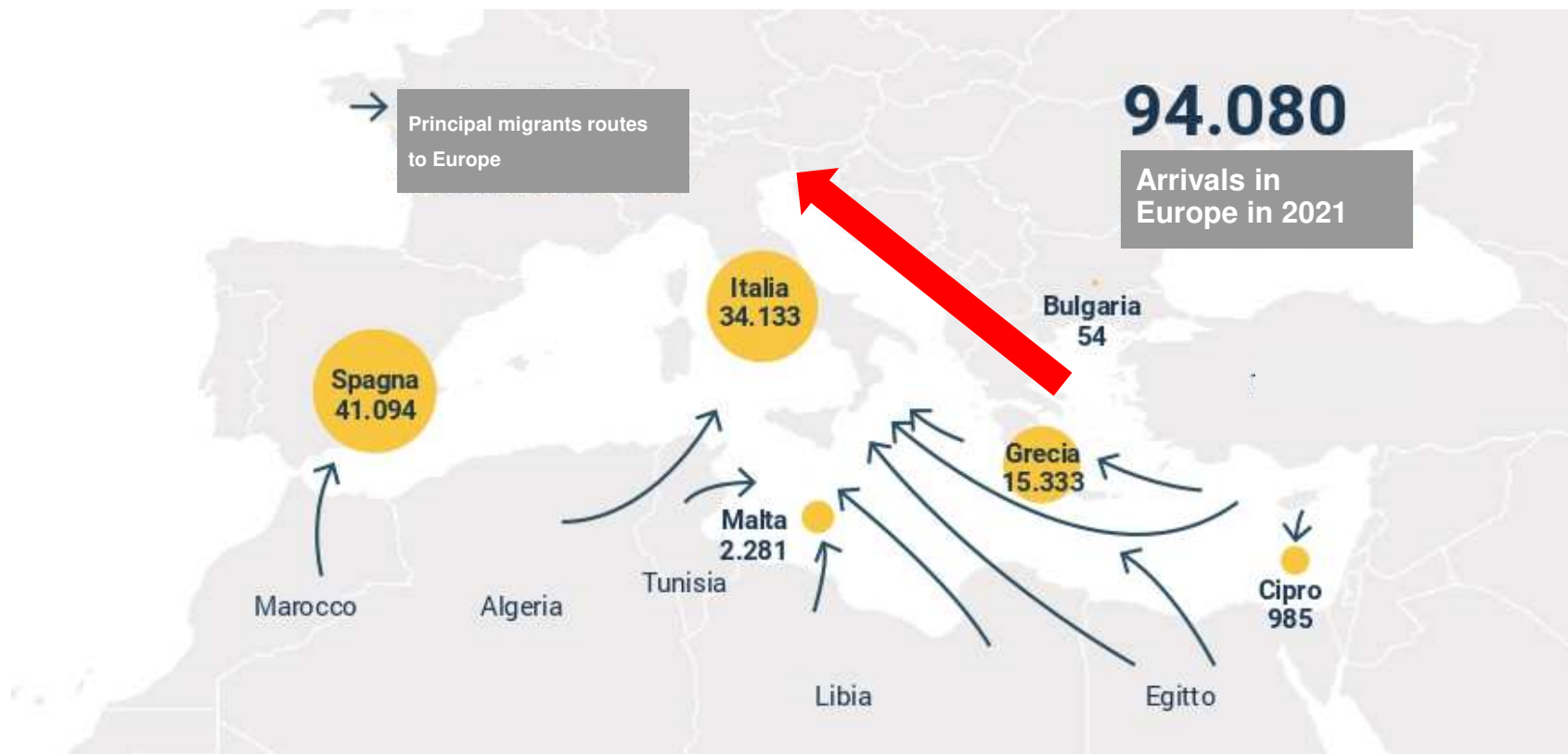
10,1% resident migrants

28,3% over 65

Around 500 homeless



BALKAN ROUTE (2021)



4,931 migrants received in Trieste

HOMELESSNESS IN TRIESTE (2021)

476 Homeless in Caritas Reception System

36,5% fiduciary isolation

36 over 65 (7,6%)

83,3% single

36,1% female

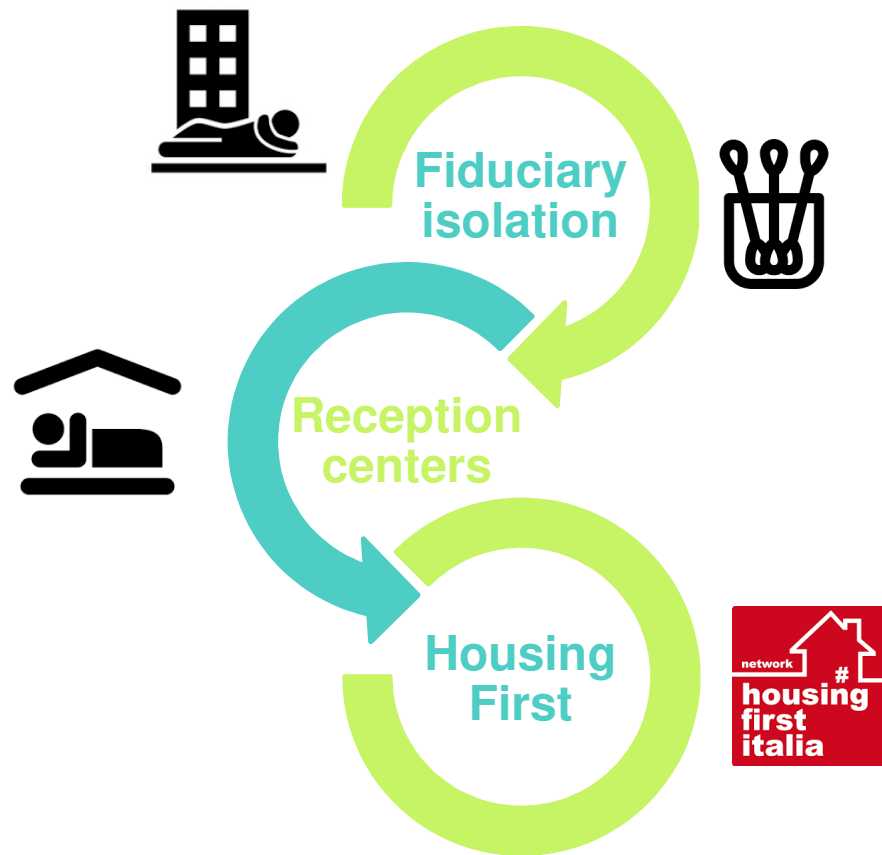
80,6% UE

33,3% no residents

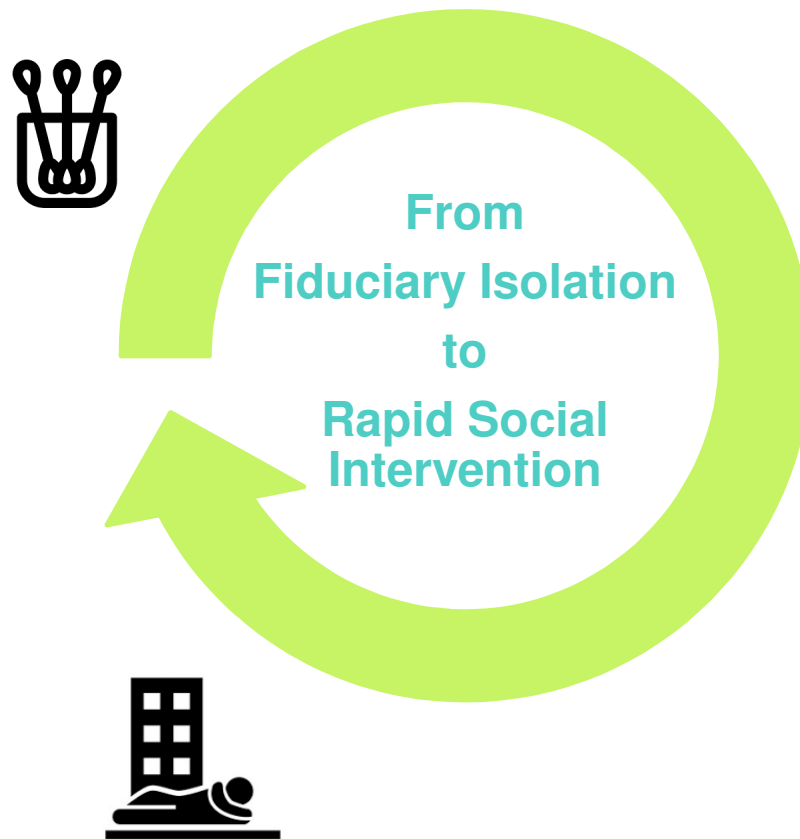
41 average days

100% in reception system

RECEPTION SYSTEM FOR HOMELESS



RECEPTION SYSTEM FOR HOMELESS # 1



Essential Levels of Social Benefits for Extreme Poverty

RECEPTION SYSTEM FOR HOMELESS #2



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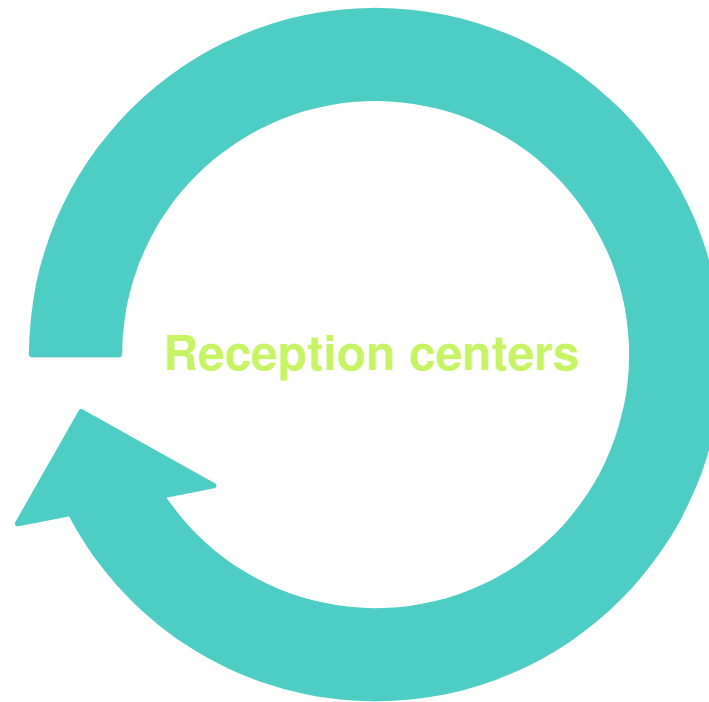


Teresiano (residents)

125 people (8,8% elderly)



Betania (resident families)



From cold emergency to stable system

RECEPTION SYSTEM FOR HOMELESS #3



A new approach

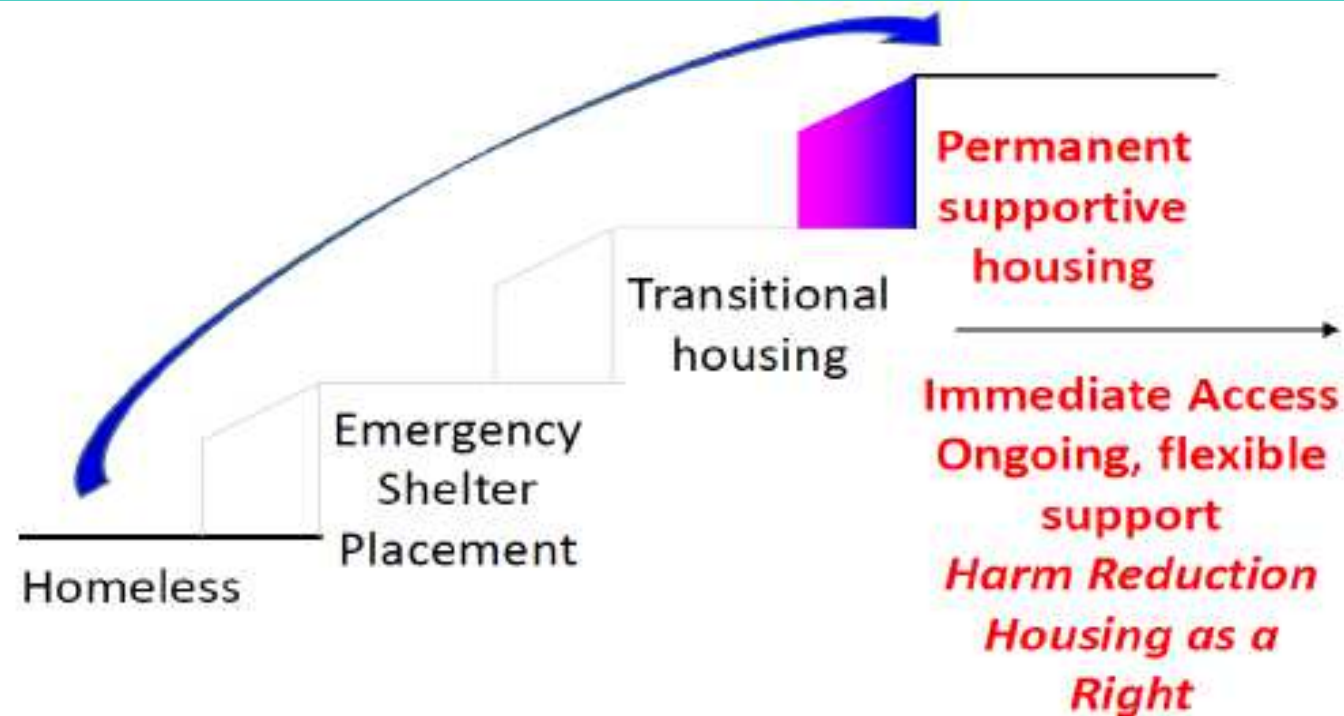
Staircase approach vs Housing First

Housing First is **an alternative** to emergency shelters



Housing First Model

Into housing **directly** from streets or shelters



Main Principles



House is a basic human right

Empowerment and self-determination

Separation between housing and treatment

Partecipation in the expenses (30% of the incomes)

Multidisciplinary team

Recovery approach

Community engagement

Regular visits

The Beginning

2010 - 2012 - Survey



2013 Network HFI



2014 – 2016 Training



2015 National Guidelines

2016 Regional law on Housing



2017 Regional advocacy



Testing

2017



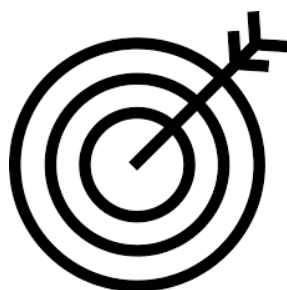
2018



2019



Key Objectives



Implementation of the Housing First methodology within Trieste's Municipal Social Service (2020 on)

Provide a **permanent home** to selected people with high support needs, without the need for them to meet any pre-conditions for eligibility other than **being homeless or in unsafe or inadequate housing**

Main Activities



10 apartments to a total of 30 residents

Meetings with potential clients

Signing personal agreements

Access to Emporio della Solidarietà for material aid

Personnel visits

Training and job placement service

Budgeting and financial mentoring

Community involvement

Target group



Single and especially families referred by the social service to the Housing First team for whom other housing projects failed and who are homeless or live in unsafe or inadequate housing.

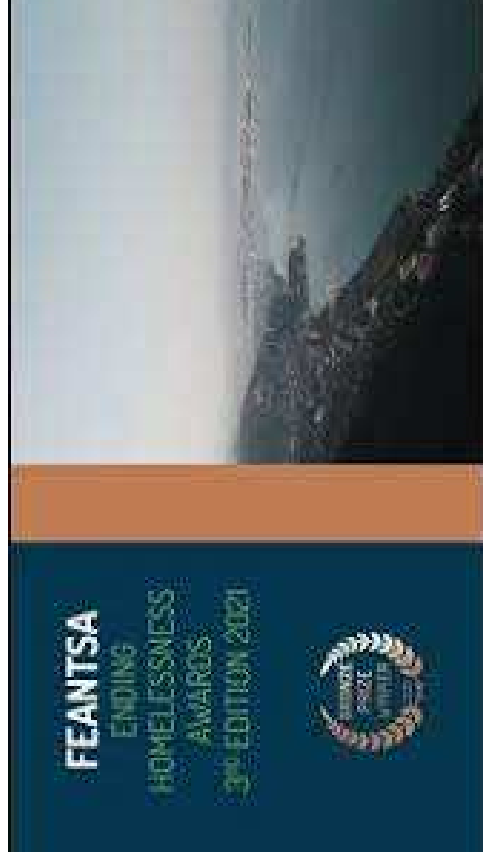
Achievement of objectives



16 people had achieved a **good level of autonomy** and continued their life path without the support of the project team

362 people supported through **Emporio della Solidarietà**, including 116 minors, 26 elderly people and 14 disabled people.

Currently, work is under way to make the project **a stable and a complementary measure** with the more classic “step-by-step” approach



Thanks

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