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**SURPRISING  
EVENTS THAT  
LEAD TO**

**HOMELESSNESS**

**RIGHT HERE**

**IN OUR**

**COMMUNITY**



**WHEN WE LOVE**  
BEAT HOMELESSNESS



Homelessness is a complex issue that affects individuals and families from all walks of life. While most believe homelessness stems from substance abuse or laziness, the truth is many people are just one unexpected event away from losing their homes and stability.

We believe everyone deserves a safe place to call home, but unfortunately, many people experiencing homelessness face unfair judgment and negative stereotypes. That's why we want to share seven surprising events that can lead to homelessness in the DFW area and across the country.

By understanding the real reasons why people become homeless, we can all work together to offer support and resources to those in need. Together, we can help make a difference, build a brighter future, and see genuine transformation in our community.

# Everyday Situations That Lead To Homelessness

(listed in random order):

**Domestic violence and abuse and the need to escape a dangerous situation**

**Natural disasters that destroy homes and force people to flee**

**Family breakdown or estrangement, leading to loss of support and financial stability**

**Discrimination and prejudice that limit opportunities for employment or housing**

**Lack of affordable childcare, which restricts employment opportunities for single parents**

**Aging out of foster care without a support system in place**

**Loss of a spouse or partner who was a primary breadwinner**

These events could happen to any of us or someone we love. That's why it's essential that we come together. Doing our part can help make a difference and provide hope for a better tomorrow.

**Together, we can make a difference in the lives of those experiencing homelessness. By providing resources and support, we can help them**

- \* regain their self-worth,**
- \* successfully function in society,**
- \* and ultimately secure permanent housing.**

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It's time to put aside our assumptions and stereotypes and work together to create a brighter future for all members of our community. Join us in our mission to make homelessness a temporary stop on the journey of life. Together, we can make a lasting impact and improve lives.

No one should have to live in poverty, and we're dedicated to beating homelessness in Fort Worth.

We invite you to give today at  
**[www.whenwelove.org](http://www.whenwelove.org)**.

# What Our Supporters Say:



"We wanted to know more about why our supporters are so passionate about giving and volunteering, so we asked them. Although they shared their answers anonymously, their drive to help others was clear. We're grateful for their support and commitment to positively impacting lives."

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"I support When We Love because I see firsthand what this mission does and how their money is spent. I know that what I give is used wisely to benefit those who need it most.

This work is important. It runs on faith first and gifts second."

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"The amount of resources that are available is encouraging to know about. I didn't realize that resources are available for those who actually make the effort to search for them."

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"I was surprised to learn just how very difficult it is for the homeless in our community. It is hard to search for work when you don't have transportation, the right clothes for a job interview, or even know how to fill out an application. The difficulty in getting into a shelter without losing your spot outside and/or your belongings, or how to shower and care for yourself without the necessary facilities or items to do so. I volunteer because WWL is the hands and feet of Jesus, and we see that in all the many practical ways they help."

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"We support When We Love because the need is so real, and the help is all about changing lives."