# Source 1

Office of homeless resources. (2021, October 5). Know homelessness. Go to . Retrieved January 28, 2022, from

http://philadelphiaofficeofhomelessservices.org/know-homelessness/#:~:text=How%20many%2 Opeople%20are%20homeless,largest%20cities%20in%20the%20US.

In the Philadelphia area, there are about 5,700 people who are considered homeless and 950 who are considered unsheltered. The Website is used in order to document all the reported data from "The Office of Homeless Services" the website tracks it's process in order to lead towards ending homelessness. They specifically track data on measuring the number of people entering the homeless system for the first time, the length of time someone experiences homelessness, and the number of people who return to homelessness after exiting the system. They website also gives a variety of information such as to what causes homelessness and why so many homeless people exist which will contribute too my overall research.

# Source 2

Newall, M. (2020, April 9). South Philly has a growing, hidden homeless population - and almost no services to help them. https://www.inquirer.com. Retrieved January 28, 2022, from <a href="https://www.inquirer.com/news/south-philadelphia-homeless-project-home-outreach-services-opioid-addiction-20200405.html">https://www.inquirer.com/news/south-philadelphia-homeless-project-home-outreach-services-opioid-addiction-20200405.html</a>

The Article follows the story of two homeless people Mike Sojo and Scott Miller they are apart of the "hidden homeless" population that are starting to seek shelter near transportation spots. Mike Sojo is a 43 year old homeless man who lives in a construction pipe along the walt whitman bridge. Scott Miller is a 49 year old who lives along those lines as well. The article shows how the homeless population is slowly increasing and living under horrible conditions such as how Mike Sojo is living inside of a construction pipe. I will use this article as a resource in order to better cater to the homeless populations needs.

#### Source 3

Betts, J. (n.d.). Helping the homeless: 12 ways to really make a difference. LoveToKnow. Retrieved January 28, 2022, from

https://charity.lovetoknow.com/volunteerism/helping-homeless-12-ways-really-make-difference

The website gives explicit information and knowledge on homelessness. They explain how much homelessness is a big problem and how over 500,000 people around the world are experiencing homelessness and this source will be used in order to better explain the current situation regarding the homeless population. The resource gives insight on what different things can lead to homelessness such as mental health, financial issues, abuse, and etc. Not only that but the website also gives you options and suggestions on what to donate too the homeless and gives you a list of Necessities such as personal products and personal hygiene products and clothes to help with the changing seasons.

### Source 4

State of Homelessness: 2021 edition. National Alliance to End Homelessness. (2021, August 16). Retrieved January 29, 2022, from

 $\frac{\text{https://endhomelessness.org/homelessness-in-america/homelessness-statistics/state-of-homelessness-ess-2021/\#:~:text=The\%20Basics\_the\%20diversity\%20of\%20our\%20country.}$ 

This website essentially gives you the demographics of homlessness in the world I will use this source as beacon of why Im doing my Capstone project. This source Reports the homelessness Rates in America in 2021. However, they start back in the beginning of January 2020 when they're was a total of 580,446 people experiencing homelessness in America. The website states 70% of those people were individuals while the remaining 30% were people living in families with children due to unfortunate circumstances. Then following that they start to factor in many different things and situations that could lead to this many people experiencing homelessness and they strive to make change.

#### Source 5

Solutions. Solutions | United States Interagency Council on Homelessness (USICH). (n.d.). Retrieved January 30, 2022, from <a href="https://www.usich.gov/solutions/">https://www.usich.gov/solutions/</a>

This Source is primarily focused on ways to end homelessness. They have 12 Solutions on how to end homelessness from a range if topics from Housing, Health care, and etc. The reason why this source is important to me is because it shows how they're are many different factors as to why homelessness is still prevalent in this day and age. This also shows the possible solutions of things that can be done and things that can be created and or implemented into our system in order to successfully put an end to homelessness.

#### Source 6

Get involved. National Coalition for the Homeless. (2017, August 17). Retrieved January 30, 2022, from <a href="https://nationalhomeless.org/taking-action/get-involved/">https://nationalhomeless.org/taking-action/get-involved/</a>

This source is all about no sitting back and waiting for change and getting up and starting the change yourself. The reason why I chose this source is because of how they give ample information and knowledge on the homeless, what they need, and what you can do to help. This Source will be used to give me more information and insight on what I could possibly design for my Capstone project and would be a good reference to use in the future to help with my design process.

#### Source 7

Semuels, A. (2018, April 18). How can the U.S. end homelessness? The Atlantic. Retrieved January 30, 2022, from

https://www.theatlantic.com/business/archive/2016/04/end-homelessness-us/479115/

This Resource delves deep into way we can end homelessness. The Article opens up with "Giving people access to support services and a place to stay can reduce the number of those living on the streets. But can that be done affordably" From here they go on to talk about making housing affordable for the homeless because they focus on how some causes of homelessness are from people not being able to completely afford were they live and dont have the means to even continue living in said space because of certain situations and outside circumstances. I will use this source as a backbone that could impact the way I format my capstone.

### Source 8

Providing support for those experiencing homelessness: Volunteers of America. Volunteers of America: National. (n.d.). Retrieved January 30, 2022, from <a href="https://www.voa.org/homeless-people">https://www.voa.org/homeless-people</a>

The Article states that "In 2017, over 553,000 Americans were homeless. 40 million people struggle with hunger and 40.6 million officially live in poverty." Volunteers of America works to prevent and end homelessness through a range of support services including eviction prevention, emergency services, transitional housing and permanent

affordable housing. The Volunteers reach out to homeless individuals and stick with them and help with rent and supportive housing. The Reason why I chose this resource is for a reminder of how important it is to reach out two the people you are trying to help island connect with.

# Source 9

Marin, M. (2021, May 22). Inside Philly's 40-Year War on homeless encampments. Billy Penn. Retrieved January 30, 2022, from

https://billypenn.com/2021/02/23/philadelphia-homeless-encampment-parkway-chris-sprowal-mayor-goode-kenney/

This Source was chosen because it can be a monumental bookmark on the war against homelessness in 1988. The article follows a group of people experiencing homelessness entered a string of long-vacant properties in Northeast Philadelphia, set up camp, and hung cardboard signs in the windows that read "Homeless, not helpless." It was one of the public takeovers and was lead by a black activist named Henry Nicholas. Now why is this important? This is important to me because it serves as a reminder that homelessness has always been here and without us taking action in order to create change, change will never happen.

# Source 10

Proven solutions. Coalition For The Homeless. (n.d.). Retrieved January 30, 2022, from <a href="https://www.coalitionforthehomeless.org/proven-solutions/">https://www.coalitionforthehomeless.org/proven-solutions/</a>

This resource is Effective because it talks about how modern homelessness began more than thirty years ago, research and experience have overwhelmingly shown that investments in permanent housing are extraordinarily effective in reducing homelessness as well as being cost effective. The Article focuses mainly on how homelessness is caused by the affordability of permanent housing which has come from things such as inflation. Then the Article gives knowledge on 3 solutions that have been used in order to reduce homelessness which are federal housing assistance programs, permanent supporting housing, and housing first.