Answering the Call

Creating Solutions for Homelessness

Getting started

- Welcome
- Quick recap/level setting

Session 3:

Shelter From the Storm

In this session:

We will hear from Matt about how seemingly small things make a big difference

We will name the challenges of creating shelter spaces

We will hear from a panel about their experiences in setting up shelter

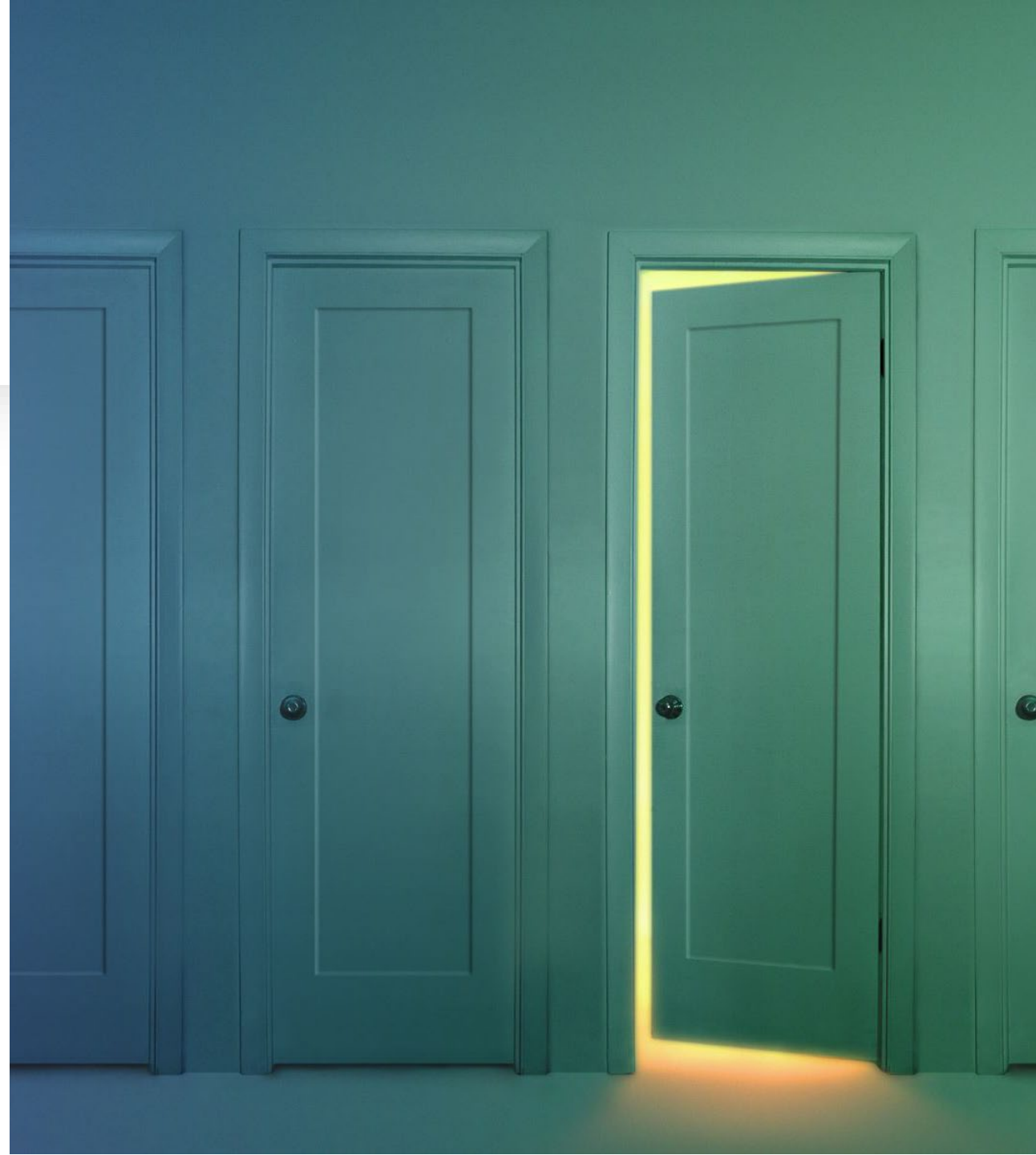We will give some practical steps for getting started

Interview with Matt

Reflection: breakout rooms

- What struck you most in the story?

- What small things added up to an important result?

The sheltering gap

What makes this hard

"Gimme Shelter":

Panelists talk about their experience of creating shelter

Get involved

Connect	Connect and get educated about innovative success
Volunteer	Volunteer at an existing shelter
Conversate	Begin conversations in your local community around code blue/code red needs
Advocate	Advocate for permission in your local community to address needs
Activate	Activate by convening a group of local people who want to get started

The Values

- HUMANS HELPING HUMANS

- "Nail Soup"
  - There's something for everyone to do
  - Bring the thing you have
- "Find the Gap, Don't Overlap"
- A local response to local need

The puzzle pieces

- A host place
- Equipment/furnishing
- Permission
- Oversight
  - Champions
  - Volunteers
  - Operations guide/practices
- Training
- Partners
  - Network
  - Non-profit

The Process

Convening	Information gathering	Asset Inventorying	Setting the goal and steps	Self-directed process
	• Local context • Statement of need			• What's the next thing? • Who do we need? • Enough structure

Digging deeper; resources

- Home - The Chalmers Center
  - "Discover, Design,Do"

- Home - Pallet Shelter
  - Pallet shelter communities as shelter/transitional housing

How Can You Reach Us?

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What Did You Think?

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