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Friends Until the End: End-of-Life Doula Project

Statistics of the Unsheltered

- 552,830 individuals experience homelessness on any given night throughout the United States
- 151,278 individuals experience homelessness in California
- 5,570 individuals experience homelessness in Sacramento

About Joshua's House

- Named in honor of Joshua Lee, who died unsheltered on the streets of Omaha, Nebraska at the age of 34 years old
- Future home for the terminally ill unsheltered in Sacramento
- Provides hospice services via community partnerships and end-of-life Doulas

Project Purpose

- Provide a standard of care for the terminally ill unsheltered
- Create an end-of-life Doula policy for Joshua's House volunteers
- Work with the board of directors to develop protocols for accreditation

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Volunteer End-of-Life Doula Policy

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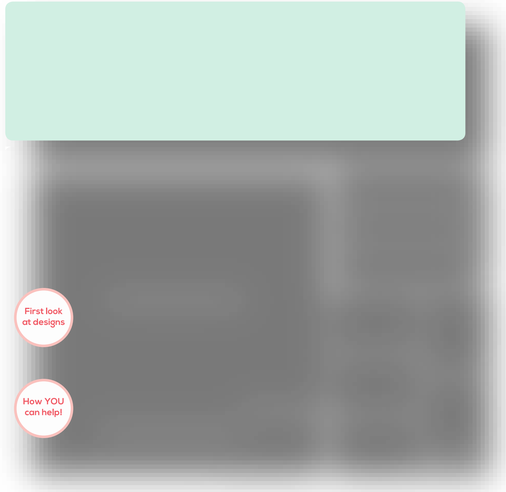
How We Created Our Policy

- Researched similar roles in other organizations
- Combined research with materials provided by Joshua's House
- Worked to capture the essence of those regulations while maintaining respect for the diversity of volunteers and residents
- Formatted policy to reflect the organization's policy structure
- Submitted policy for final review

Future of a Beautiful Dream



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