

WHAT IS HOMELESS DIVERSION?

- Helps people explore immediate, safe alternatives
- to shelter
- Focuses on strengths, supports, and resources people already have
- May include: conflict resolution, transportation or temporary financial help
- Does NOT mean denying help or moving homelessness to other communities

**Problem Solving
Conversation and Support**



DIVERSION IMPACT ON SYSTEM

The intent of diversion is to give someone who has become homeless a positive alternative to entering emergency shelter or being unsheltered. Diversion stems the inflow into shelter; every person diverted makes a shelter bed available for someone else who needs it.

**Eviction
Prevention**

**Low
Impact**

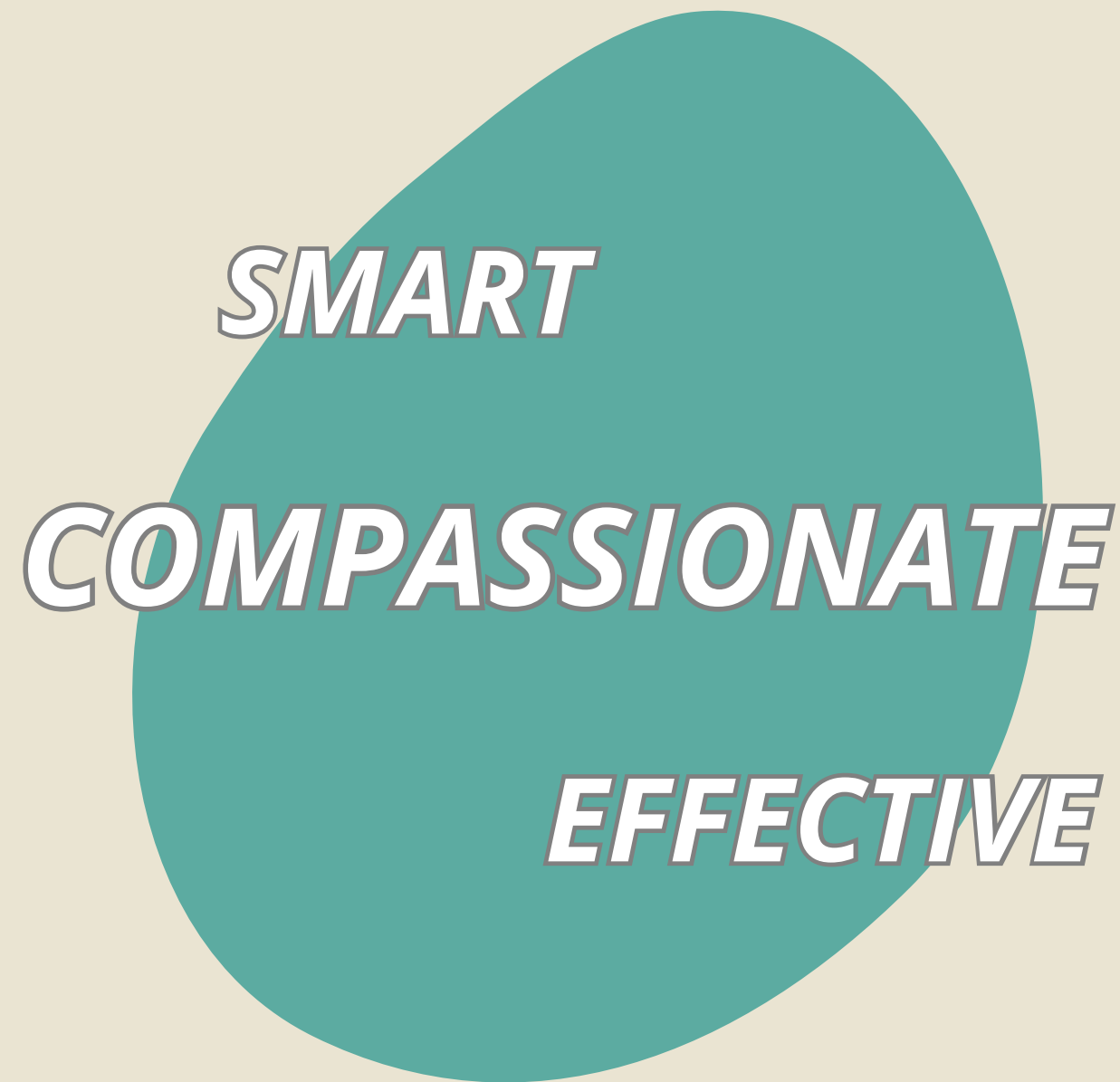
**Homelessness
Prevention**

**Medium
Impact**

Diversion

**High
Impact**

WHY DIVERSION MATTERS



- Keeps shelter beds open for those who have no other options
- Reduces trauma by avoiding homelessness altogether
- Results in quicker solutions and better long-term outcomes
- Helps preserve limited housing resources for those with the highest needs

CREATING A CULTURE OF DIVERSION

