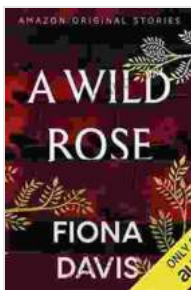


Wild Rose Point In Time Collection: Capturing the Spirit of a Community

In the heart of the Twin Cities, the Wild Rose Point In Time Collection stands as a testament to the resilience and spirit of the homeless community. This comprehensive documentation project, conducted in 2019, paints a vivid portrait of the lives of over 4,000 individuals experiencing homelessness on a single night.



A Wild Rose (A Point in Time collection) by Fiona Davis

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The collection includes an array of data, including surveys, photographs, and audio recordings. Each survey captures detailed information about an individual's demographics, housing history, health status, and service needs. The photographs provide a glimpse into their daily lives, showcasing their struggles and triumphs. The audio recordings offer a voice to the homeless, allowing them to share their stories in their own words.

Together, these elements create a rich and multifaceted portrait of homelessness in the Twin Cities. The collection provides valuable insights

into the causes and consequences of homelessness, and it highlights the need for comprehensive solutions to this complex issue.

The Importance of Point-in-Time Counts

Point-in-time counts are essential tools for understanding the scope and nature of homelessness. They provide a snapshot of the homeless population on a single night, and they help policymakers and service providers to better understand the needs of this vulnerable population.

The Wild Rose Point In Time Collection is one of the most comprehensive point-in-time counts ever conducted. It provides a wealth of data that can be used to inform policy and practice. The collection has already been used to develop new programs and services for homeless individuals, and it will continue to be a valuable resource for years to come.

Voices of the Homeless

One of the most powerful aspects of the Wild Rose Point In Time Collection is the inclusion of audio recordings. These recordings give a voice to the homeless, allowing them to share their stories and experiences in their own words.

The stories in the collection are both heartbreaking and inspiring. They speak to the challenges of living on the streets, but they also highlight the resilience and strength of the homeless community. These stories are a reminder that homelessness is not a choice, and that it can happen to anyone.

Addressing the Causes of Homelessness

The Wild Rose Point In Time Collection provides a wealth of information about the causes of homelessness. The collection found that the majority of homeless individuals have experienced trauma, mental illness, or addiction. These factors can make it difficult to maintain stable housing, and they often lead to homelessness.

The collection also found that a lack of affordable housing is a major contributing factor to homelessness. In the Twin Cities, the cost of housing has been rising rapidly, making it difficult for many people to afford a place to live. This is especially true for low-income individuals and families.

Solutions to Homelessness

There is no single solution to homelessness. However, the Wild Rose Point In Time Collection provides valuable insights into the causes of homelessness, and it highlights the need for comprehensive solutions.

One important step is to increase the supply of affordable housing. This can be done through a variety of measures, such as building new affordable housing units, providing rental assistance, and increasing the minimum wage.

Another important step is to address the root causes of homelessness, such as trauma, mental illness, and addiction. This can be done through a variety of programs and services, such as mental health treatment, substance abuse treatment, and job training.

The Wild Rose Point In Time Collection is a powerful and moving portrait of homelessness in the Twin Cities. The collection provides a wealth of data and insights that can be used to inform policy and practice. It is a valuable

resource for researchers, policymakers, and community advocates working to address homelessness.

The stories in the collection are a reminder that homelessness is not a choice. It is a complex issue with many causes. However, it is also a solvable problem. By working together, we can create a community where everyone has a place to call home.



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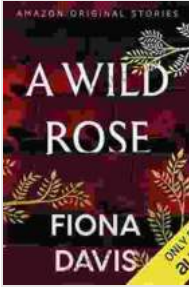
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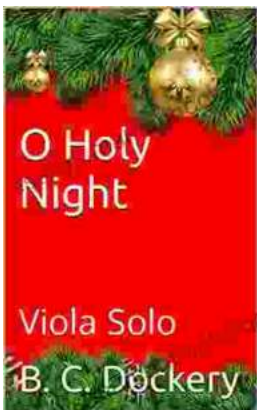


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