

## #BeInformedNYC

Informing Candidates and Voters about Poverty and Homelessness in NYC

# — WHAT DO YOU KNOW ABOUT — homeless families?

**1 in 35** families with children in NYC  
lived in a homeless shelter in 2011.

*This amounts to over 70,000 family members,  
enough to fill Madison Square Garden more than 3.5 times.*

## A typical homeless family ...



is headed by a **single mother** in her late 20s with two children.



stayed with family or friends for one year **after the mother lost her job** and then entered shelter.



**is not homeless** due to substance abuse or emotional health issues.

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