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I am homeless,  
but not because...

The homeless live not under a  
roof,  
but under stigma, assumptions,  
and insignificance.

But Not Because is a project  
centered around the homeless,  
and constructed by a series of  
conversations between the  
homeless community and the  
sheltered.

# BUT NOT BECAUSE

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Regardless of the reasons or  
factors that individuals  
become homeless, we want to  
explore their side of the  
narrative through their voice.

For once, we are asking  
participants to try to see their  
world and journey through  
their shoes.

Ours goals are simple, but far:  
1. To break down stigma  
and disassociation towards  
homelessness.

2. To remove barriers of  
communication and prompt  
humanizing and meaningful  
interactions between the  
communities.

We challenge you to feel, to  
live, and to experience these  
narratives and emotions with  
critical empathy.

These photographs and  
quotes are only glimpses of  
their individuality, visit our  
site to see their full stories.

Please recognize the respect  
required of being able to take  
part in these moments of  
sharing.



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WHAT'S ON YOUR MIND?  
The only way to really be a part of the culture is to be a part of the culture. That's why we're all here. We're all here to be a part of the culture. We're all here to be a part of the culture.

**"I LEARNED TO APPRECIATE"**

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- Liam

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**YOU DON'T  
SAFE ANYM**

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...selling, when drugs, selling stuff,  
...with it, you're trying  
...going on, you don't fe  
For now, I'm in the corner by  
they're out there eh, that presen  
...it's always that look  
...out of habit, they g  
...soul for this, to get th  
...stuff."

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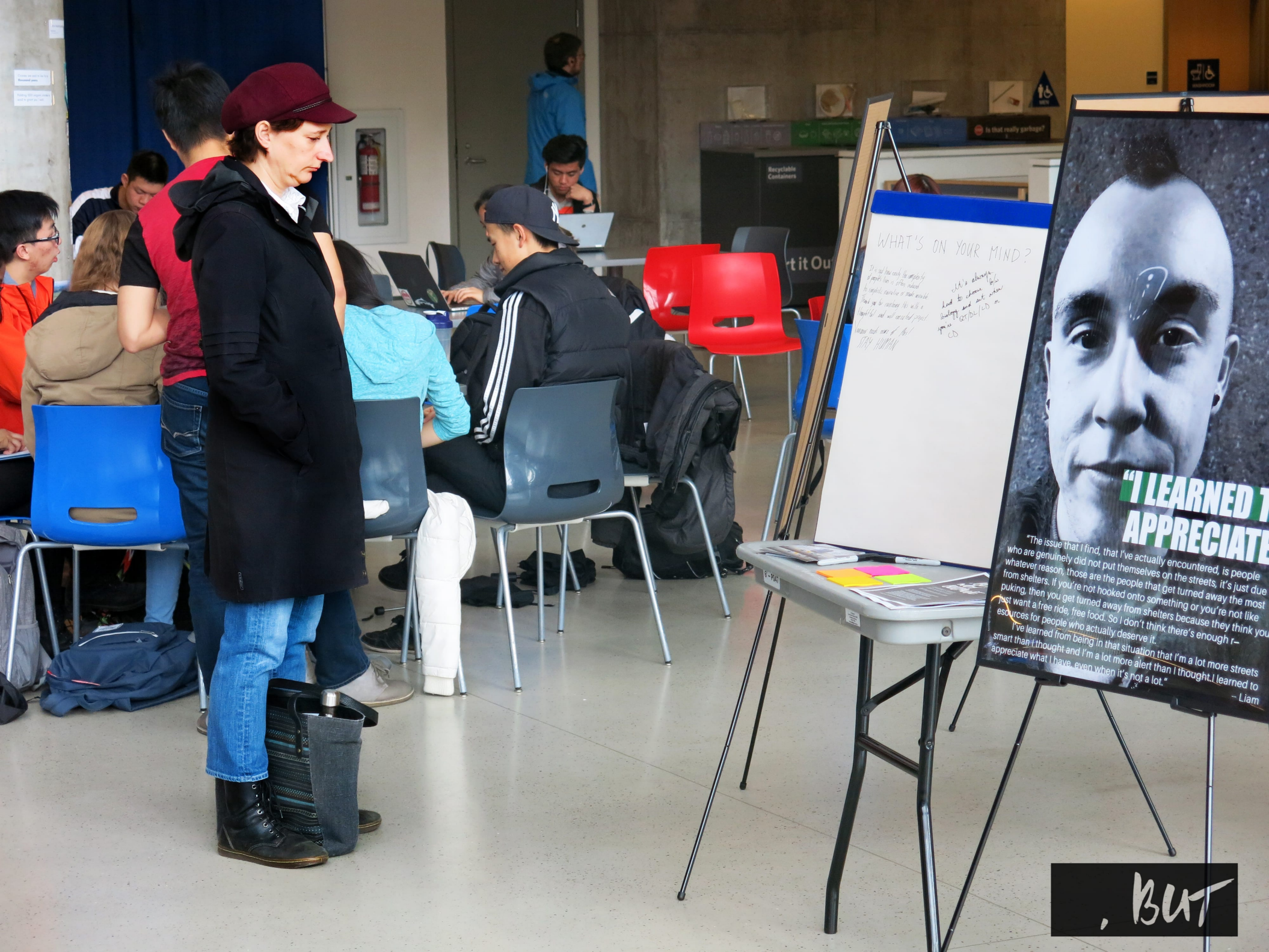


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### WHAT'S ON YOUR MIND?

It's not too early to start by  
to people here is to be honest  
to people, research or make a  
Plan up to working this with a  
thoughtful and well executed project  
Everyone needs one of these!  
STAY HUMAN

It's always  
hard to choose  
biology and art, science  
space  
CD



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It's not you only the complexity of people who is often what I think about.  
It's always about to choose who to help and not who to help. (Liam)



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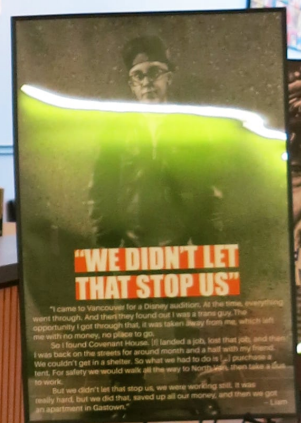
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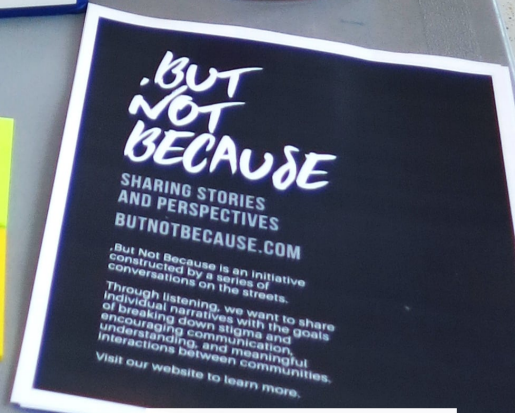


# WHAT'S ON YOUR MIND?

It is sad how easily the complexity of people's lives is often reduced to simplistic narrative or made invisible.

Thank you for centering this with a thoughtful and well executed project.

Vancouver needs more of this!  
**STAY HUMAN**





what's the rationale  
for leaving the  
posters up on  
their own? ~~etc~~  
~~what~~ No one  
here to talk abt  
the project. are the  
stories meant to  
speak for themselves?

Thanks for sharing:  
your stories with  
us! Hang in there  
and never stop  
believing in a better  
tomorrow!  
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a look at ~~the~~ a  
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'invisible people'?

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