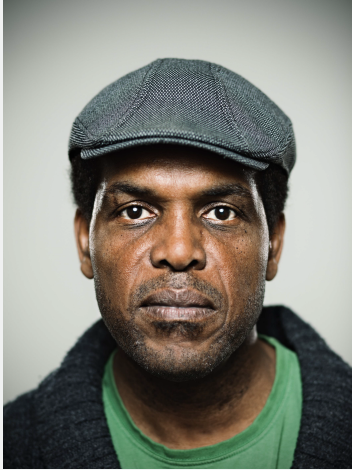


Kenny



- Sex: Male
- Race/ethnicity: African American
- Age: 54
- Diagnosis: Obsessive Compulsive Disorder, which manifests in compulsive gambling.
- Requires medication? Yes, to curb his gambling urges. He gets this medication from the local pharmacy.
- Residence: Mortgage payments for his house. His house will go into foreclosure if he misses another payment. He can't make the payment if he returns to gambling.
- Income: Steady but small, from disability after discharge from the Marines. Much of it goes to payment on his extreme gambling debts and he has no savings.
- Support network: an estranged daughter who has told him not to contact her. No other friends and family in the area.



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Misty



- Sex: Female
- Race/ethnicity: White
- Age: 34
- Diagnosis: PTSD and alcoholism.
- Requires medication? Yes, for anxiety and to manage occasional suicidal thoughts and flash backs to the sexual abuse she suffered as a young woman. Also must drink every day to avoid withdrawal. This means she is often drunk at work, which she still manages to hide fairly well. She uses the local pharmacy but only fills the prescription when she can afford it.
- Residence: Couch surfing with friends after her apartment building burned in a fire.
- Income: Waitressing and occasionally from cleaning houses for special events. A small savings account.
- Support network: no family in the area but does have a variety of reliable friends.



Shem



- Sex: Male
- Race/ethnicity: White
- Age: 43
- Diagnosis: Paranoid schizophrenia
- Requires medication? Yes, for hallucinations and aggression, which his medications completely eliminate. Without the drugs, he becomes tense and aggressive, accusing people of being connected to a government conspiracy. He uses the local free clinic.
- Residence: Halfway house. Rent is covered by a public grant.
- Income: Sporadic for doing yard work and day labor as he is able. No savings.
- Support network: a trusted therapist nearby but no local family or friends.



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Miguel



- Sex: Male
- Race/ethnicity: Mexican American
- Age: 31
- Diagnosis: Opioid addiction from an on-the-job back injury two years ago.
- Requires medication? Not for mental health. Requires regular dose of pills to avoid withdrawal, which he steals from the hospital where he works, or buys from contacts.
- Residence: Renting a home.
- Income: Steady, as a hospital nurse. Two months income saved in the bank.
- Support network: a variety of friends and family in the area.



Tammi



- Sex: Female
- Race/ethnicity: African American
- Age: 22
- Diagnosis: Anxiety and depression, which make it challenging for her to be consistently able to meet the demands of daily life.
- Requires medication? Yes, anti-depressants, which her parents buy for her from the local pharmacy.
- Residence: Parents' home where she pays no rent.
- Income: Part-time in a local grocery store. Her parents, who have a solid middle-class income, mostly support her. No savings.
- Support network: parents, with whom she lives. Her other friends live out of state near the college she dropped out of.



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Angel



- Sex: Female
- Race/ethnicity: Biracial
- Age: 26
- Diagnosis: Bipolar disorder, heroin addiction
- Requires medication? Yes, to stabilize her mood and prevent either outrageous spending and risk-taking or crippling depression. She gets this medication from the free clinic. Also requires heroin regularly to avoid withdrawal. She buys her heroin from her pimp or from other street contacts.
- Residence: Shares an apartment with two other women; they share the rent equally.
- Income: Variable, from prostitution. Some savings in cash, stashed with a friend.
- Support: she has two or three trusted friends, one of whom has a good job in a paper mill and tries to convince Angel to leave the streets.

