How would you describe your job?

it's simple.

YOU'LL SHOOT YOUR EYE OUT

Today's question: Is London doing enough to tackle poverty?

Where to get help

In the end, he said, a fractured mental health system was unable to save their wounded son.

. It's a complex system,"

"This is one of the most pressing issues facing London and Middlesex region," the Vital Signs report says.

"It's time for our community to come together and tackle this issue head on.

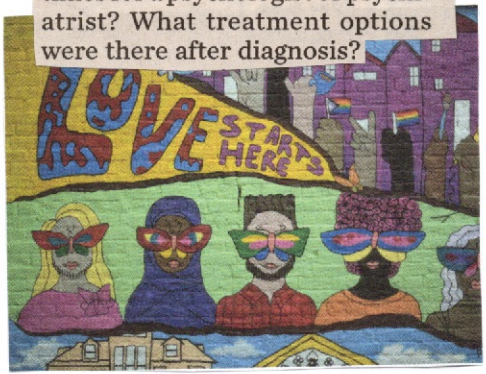
"Our system is in crisis and we are failing to help the people in our community who are most at risk. We need a transformative change in the way mental health services are delivered."

Austen's physical and mental health deteriorated. He was assigned a new medical team, changed meds, was receiving counselling. The family asked to meet his medical team but weren't allowed.

Austen seemed to be recovering. But after a long struggle, a few months after his 21st birthday, he died by suicide.

WE ALL SCREAM

Who can someone turn to for emergency help? What are wait times for a psychologist or psychiatrist? What treatment options were there after diagnosis?



His parents tried to help, but medical teams said they were too busy to meet, or said his treatment was a private matter because he was 19. He was staying at home, when he wasn't in hospital, and his parents held his medical power-of-attorney but they felt shut out of conversations about his treatment.

That wouldn't happen in a more conventional illness, David Berlet believes: Imagine an elderly woman being discharged from hospital without her caregivers getting any information about how to help her recover.

Q What have you had to do to prepare for the role?

Unruly teen

poverty

TOSS IN A JOKE

What the report says

A LEVEL OF VIOLENCE AGAINST CITIZENS THAT IS REACHING GENOCIDAL PROPORTIONS.

If you or someone you know is in crisis:

Crisis response (London): 519-433-2023

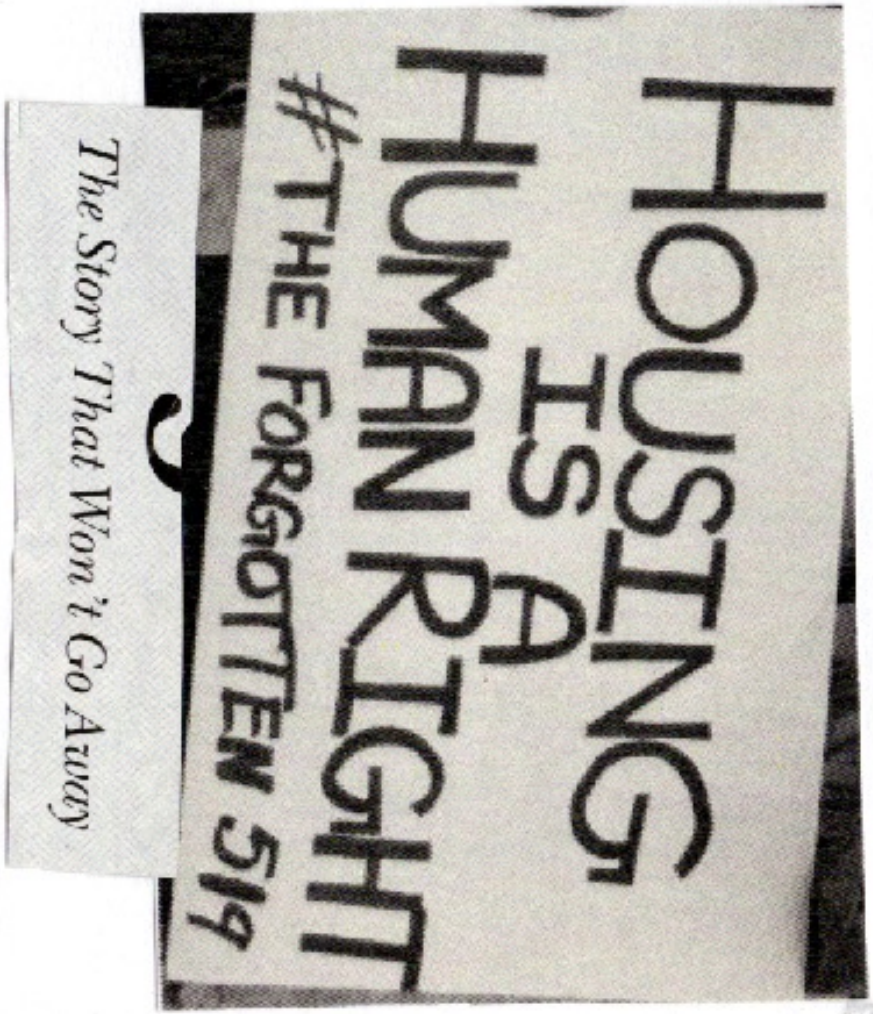
Crisis response (Middlesex County): 1-866-933-2023

Distress Centre Hotline: 519-667-6711

Seniors help line: 519-667-6600

Emergency Mental Health Crisis 24-hour Walk-In Centre, 648 Huron St.

Online: cmhamiddlesex.ca/crisis-services/



The Story That Won't Go Away