

## Safe space changes everything.

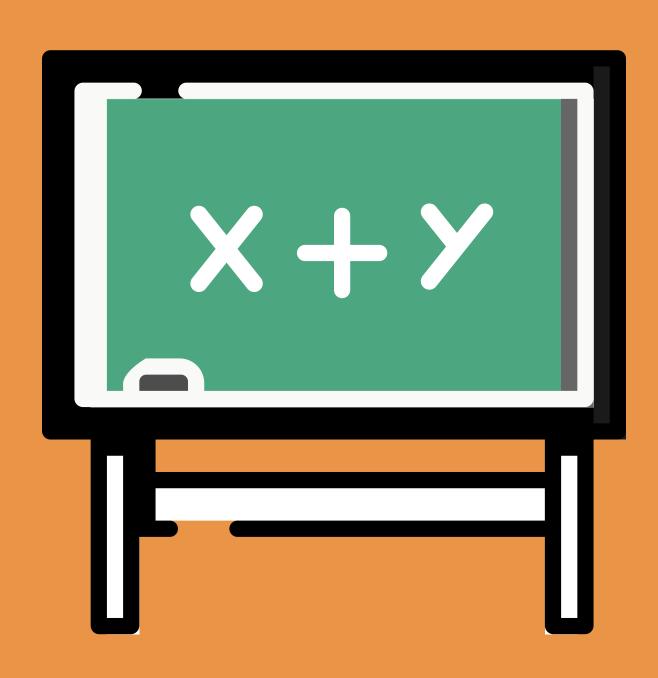


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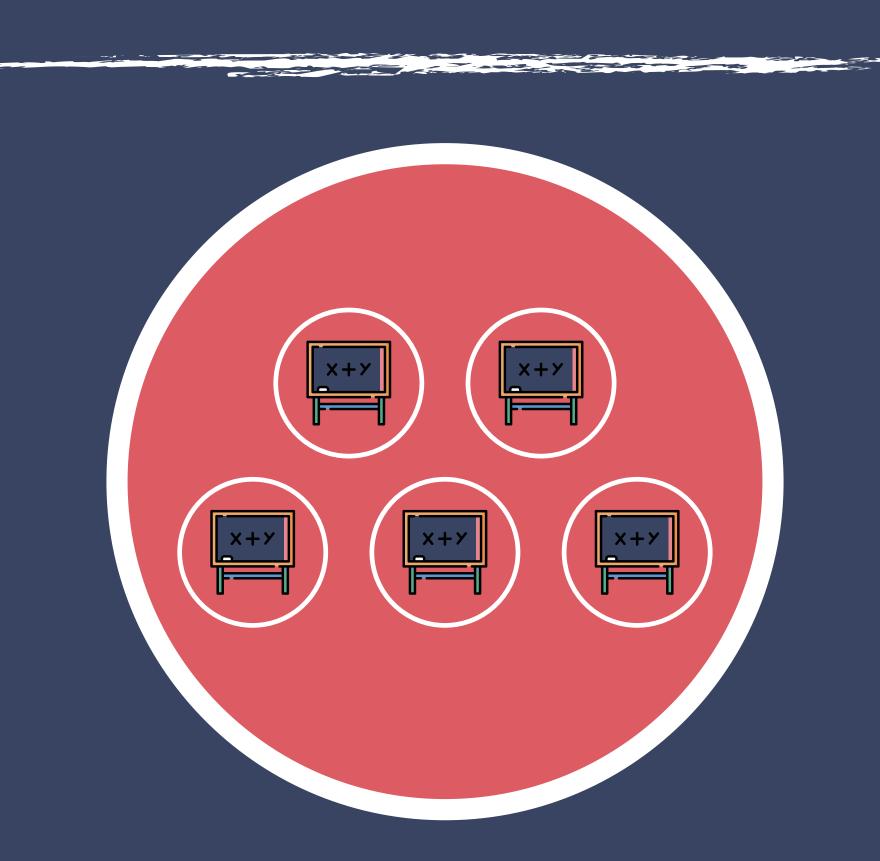


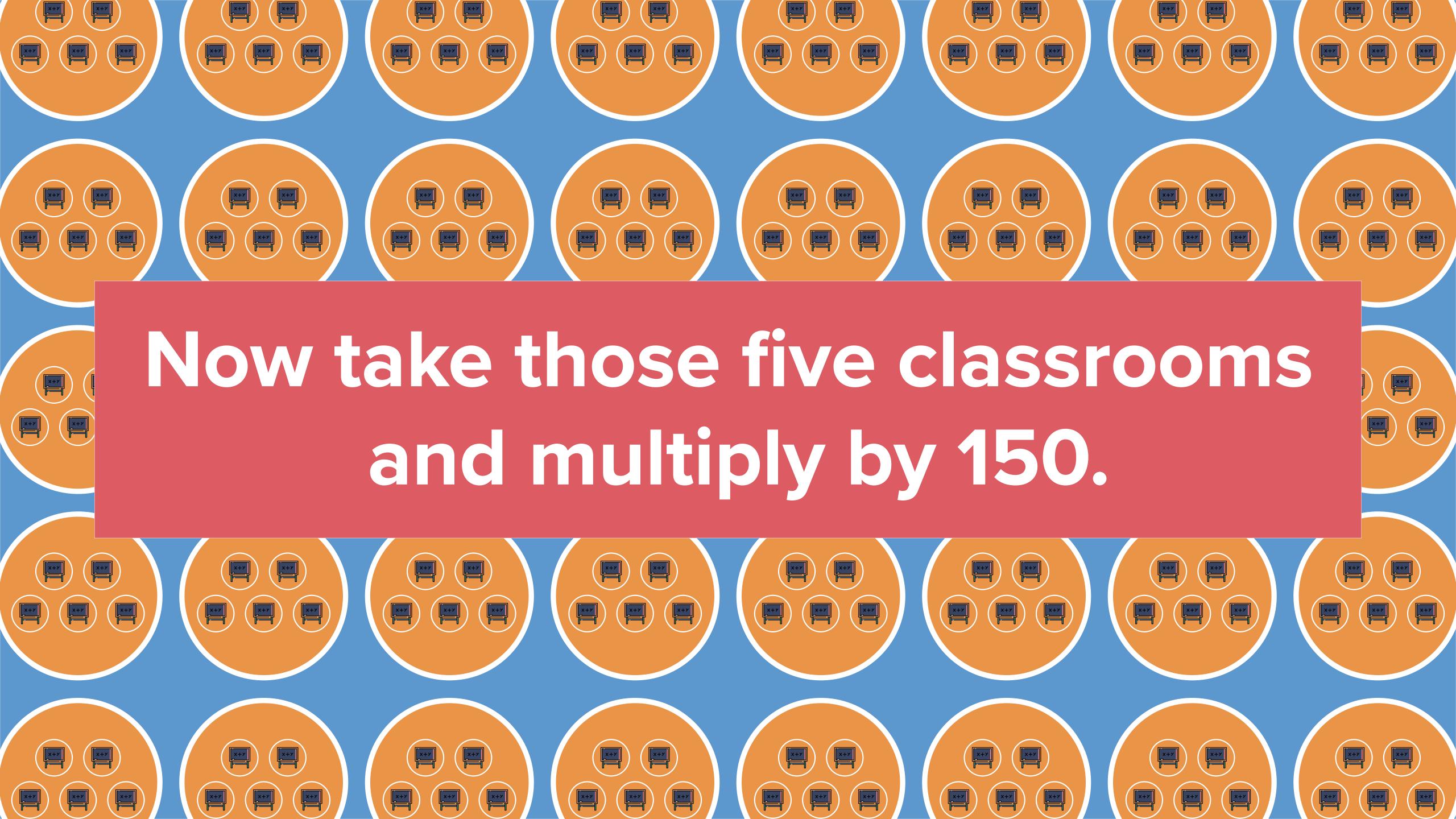
# Think about it this way.

## A full classroom can hold maybe 30 students.



# Five full classrooms would give you 150 students.





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that's how many people live without a safe space in Cuyahoga County each year.

#### Homelessness Crisis

If you already live in a safe space, apartment, or home - it can be a little hard to understand homelessness. Think about how many times you come and go from your home (safe space) on a typical day.

Now, imagine leaving school or work and not having a door to walk through when you were finished. Or worse, imagine it was cold or rainy, and you didn't have a safe place to stay warm or dry.





23,000 people around Cuyahoga County experience homelessness every year. They have to sleep, walk, and survive outdoors - without the option of climbing into a warm, safe bed. Please go beyond observation and imagine yourself or a loved one living in these conditions.

## Benefits of safe space



Homelessness doesn't merely change lives—all too often, it ends them. On average, people without homes die 30 years sooner.



#### **Transformation**

Someone who is always thinking about where to find the next resting place or their next meal struggles to practice self-care.



#### Peace of Mind

For many struggling with homelessness and addiction, feelings of chaos, confusion, and anxiety are a daily encounter.



#### Confidence

Anyone who finds themselves homeless struggles with the immediate insecurity of not knowing where they will spend the night. Their self-esteem begins to erode as more insecurities start to build: poverty, hunger, shame at the situation they are in, poor health, the inability to cope.

#### Meet Robert

Robert arrived in Cleveland, Ohio, 15 years ago with his wife, and children to begin work as a messenger for a bank. What started as casual, social drinking slowly morphed into alcoholism when marital problems arose.





After meeting with a representative from Community Service Alliance, the two determined that Robert would be a perfect fit for Procop House.

Not only did he receive his own private room, but he also benefited from budgeting advice, regular meals from local churches, and a sense of community. With a support system behind him, Robert was finally inspired and confident to live a sober life outside of transitional housing.



To us, a key is a symbol that represents the journey of CSA residents. Millions of people around the world do not have a safe, quiet place, to rest and grow. Millions of people go days, months, and in some cases, years without ever holding a key. Let this be a constant reminder of why we all support this wonderful organization.



## Who is CSA?

Community Service Alliance

## About Community Service Alliance (CSA)

Community Service Alliance is a non-profit organization dedicated to serving as a catalyst for change in the lives of formerly homeless individuals.

- Founded in 2005
- Office in Cleveland, Ohio
- Over 1,000 men helped
- 4 redeveloped homes
- 49 safe spaces under management



### How does CSA work?



Identify
housing
opportunities



Work with local partners to redevelop homes



Find committed men in need



Assist with the transition to CSA program



Help residents regain control of their lives



Scale & Sustain

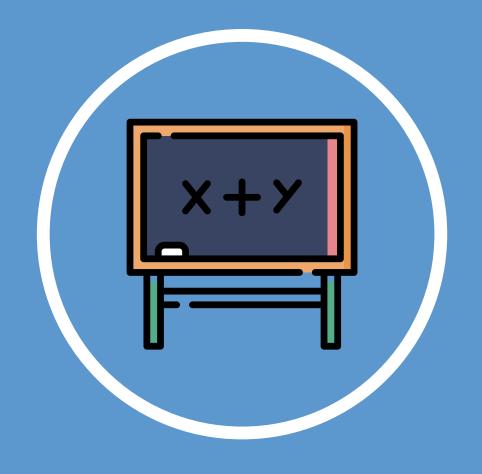
## How you can help



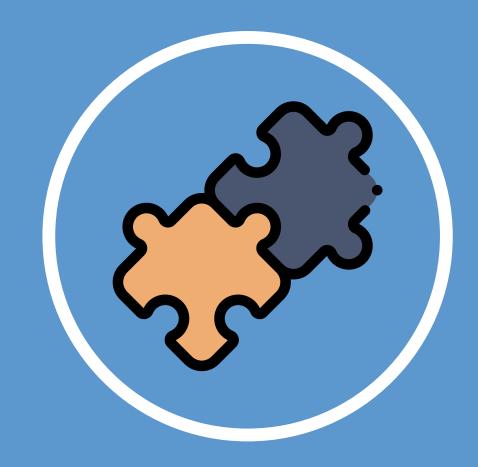
### Ways to Get Involved







Raise awareness at school



Do something creative to raise money

### Want to learn more?

visit comservealliance.org/get-involved-overview/students-and-teachers/

## Thank you!

