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Sample 1000 Adult Interviews
Conducted November 11 - 12, 2015

Margin of Error  $\pm 4.2\%$ 

1. How serious of a problem do	you think homelessness is in the United States?
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ry serious	52%
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ot very serious	5%
ot at all serious	1%
ot sure	4%

## 2. How serious of a problem do you think homelessness is in your local area?

Very serious	24%
Somewhat serious	39%
Not very serious	23%
Not at all serious	7%
Not sure	7%

3. Do you think the government does too much or too little to help homeless people find housing?

Too much
The right amount
Too little
Not sure

4. Do you think that homeless people are generally to blame for their situation or is it mostly due to factors beyond their control?

Homeless are usually to blame	21%
It is mostly due to factors beyond their control	53%
Not sure	26%

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5. Do you think it is a good idea or a bad idea to give money to people who are panhandling?

Good idea	a			 	 					 	 	 			 			 		 	16	%
Bad idea			 		 				 		 		 			 	 				 53	%
Not sure		 			 					 	 	 			 				 	 	 31	%

6. If people stopped giving money to panhandlers, do you think that they would stop begging or would they just be in an even worse financial position?

They would stop begging	32%
They would just be even worse off	37%
Not sure	31%

Interviewing Dates November 11 - 12, 2015

**Target population** U.S. adults, aged 18 and over.

Sampling method Respondents were selected from YouGov's opt-in Internet

panel using sample matching. A random sample (stratified by age, gender, race, education, and region) was selected from the 2010 American Community Study. Voter registration was imputed from the November 2010 Current Population Survey Registration and Voting Supplement. Religion, minor party identification, and non-placement on an ideology scale, were imputed from the

2008 Pew Religion in American Life Survey.

Weighting The sample was weighted using propensity scores based

on age, gender, race, education, voter registration, and non-placement on an ideology scale. The weights range from 0.117 to 4.064, with a mean of one and a standard

deviation of 0.929.

Number of respondents 1000

**Margin of error**  $\pm$  4.2% (adjusted for weighting)

Survey mode Web-based interviews

**Questions not reported** 20 questions not reported.