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Interviewees :	Tony Davies, CEO, Northern Rivers Social Development Council		
Interviewees :	Sharon Sweeney		
Interviewees :	Trent Rees, residential programs manager, The Buttery		

Compere says more than 100,000 people are homeless in Australia and more than are in regional areas. Compere says life after rehab can be difficult for many addicts with less resources. Compere plays a report of Samantha Turnbull. Turnbull says Sharon Sweeney was a drug addict for 40 years before she sought help at a rehabilitation centre known as The Buttery. Sweeney says it is hard to recover for people who doesn't know where they will go. Trent Rees, residential programs manager, The Buttery, says they have two houses available for program graduates where they can stay for an average of three months. Rees says finding accommodation was one of the biggest issues facing recovering addicts. Tony Davies, CEO, Northern Rivers Social Development Council, says his service worked with almost 3,000 people last year who are homeless or at risk of homelessness. Sweeney says she was saved by the Byron Bay-based Shift project, which provides housing and educational programs for women at risk of homelessness. Sweeney says she is also learning retail and barista skills through the Coffee Box project.