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Good afternoon,
As mentioned on the research page of your website, I would like to highlight an area for future research and collaboration.
When it comes to voting, people experiencing homelessness (PEH) tend to have much lower enrolment and turnout rates than the general population. However, research suggests that this is not due to lower levels of political interest but rather, PEH face challenges to voting that are closely tied to their lived experience of disadvantage and marginalisation (Coram, Louth and Hill, 2022).
With the general election on the horizon, this is a potential avenue to explore the voting behaviours and attitudes of PEH in Ireland. It would be hoped that this research could support and possibly enhance future civic inclusion of individuals at the margins of society to have their voices heard.
I hope this area may be considered for future research funding and support.
Kind Regards,
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