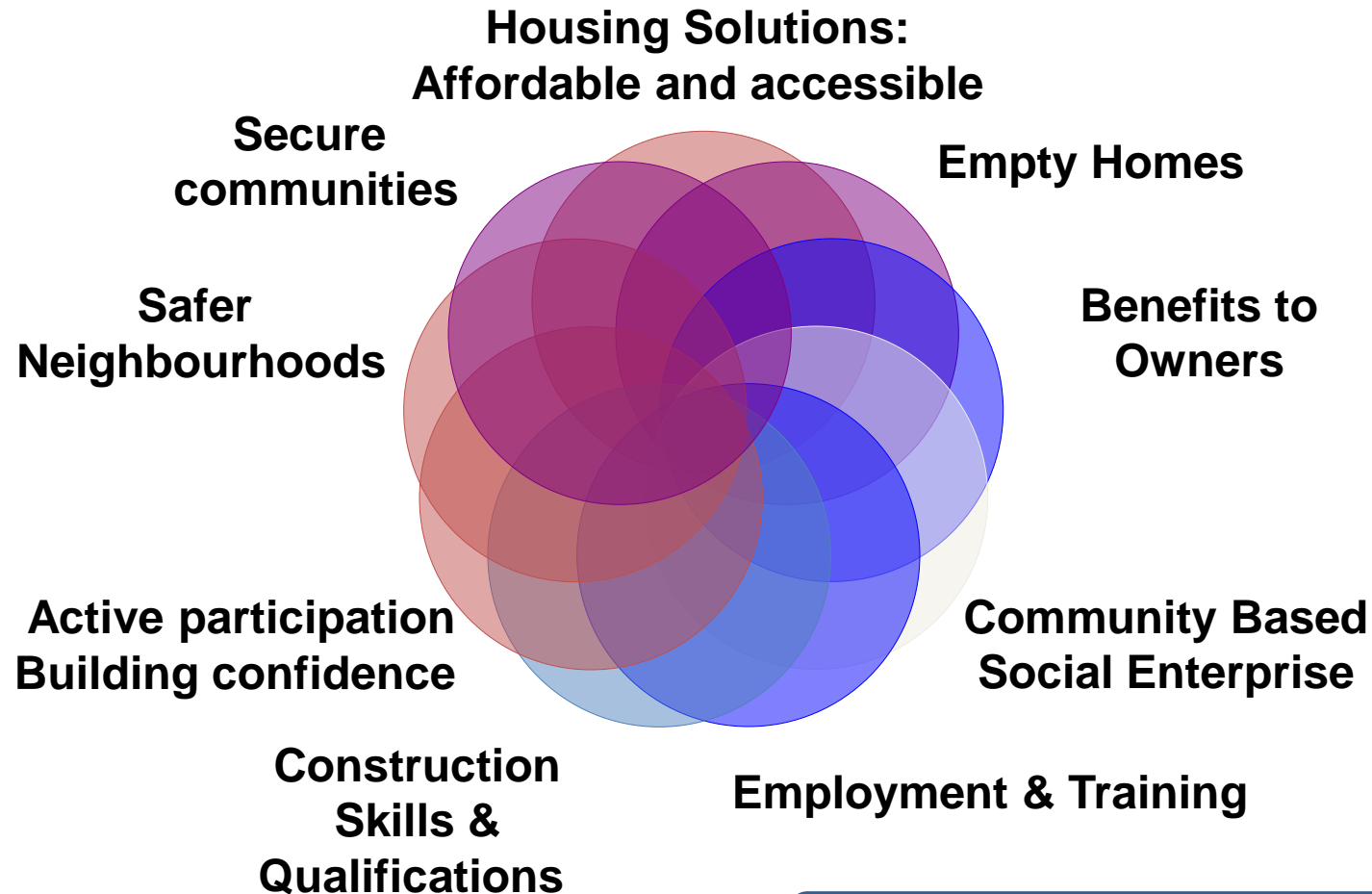
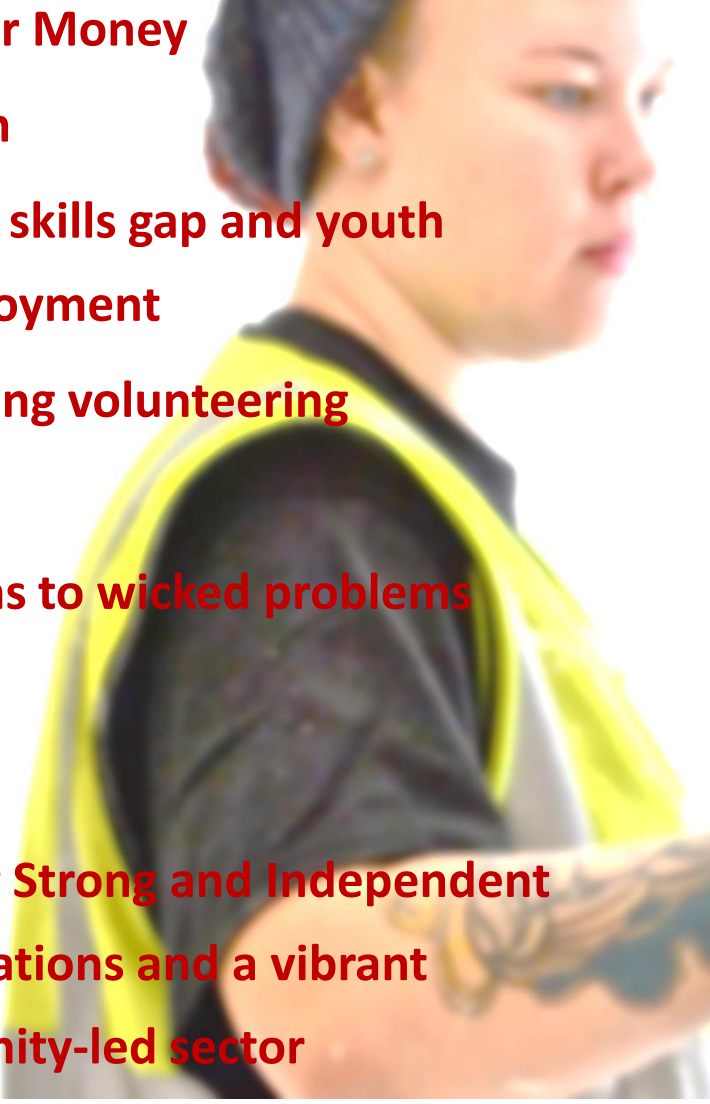


# Multiple Benefits of Self-Help Housing



Source: Mullins (2009)

# Six Positive Outcomes from Empty Homes Community Grants Programme

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- 1. Value for Money**
    - ✓ Making the Grant go a long way
    - ✓ Inputs and Returns
    - ✓ Doing things differently by being local
  - 2. Localism**
  - 3. Tackling skills gap and youth unemployment**
    - ✓ Genuine pathways into work
    - ✓ Mature construction workforce
  - 4. Rewarding volunteering**
    - ✓ Volunteering to Homes
    - ✓ Volunteering to Work
  - 5. Solutions to wicked problems**
    - ✓ Decent Homes for clients
    - ✓ Offender resettlement
    - ✓ Diverse volunteers and good landlord
    - ✓ Self-help that fits needs of vulnerable
    - ✓ Tackling Blight and Anti-social behaviour
  - 6. Building Strong and Independent Organisations and a vibrant community-led sector**
    - ✓ Assets, balance sheet and cashflow
    - ✓ Vibrant Sector, Going viral, networking
    - ✓ Local Authority partners

# Mutual Benefits

*“The great thing about Empty Homes...it was not only refurbishing properties and putting them back into use but also **meeting other agendas** on the councils such as youth homelessness which is huge and rising, and also creating a **stronger and better community**. So all in all it was a bit of a **win-win situation**.”*

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