



**Left:** During a panic attack, Melissa is comforted by a worker at the food bank. People with Asperger's crave routine, so homelessness is especially devastating to her. "I'm like a 15-year-old inside, developmentally and emotionally speaking. I feel like a teen with no social skills stuck in an adult body."



**Left:** Sean Walsh, 25, suffers from seizures caused by PTSD, the result of an abusive childhood. Prescribed at least 15 different drugs since he was 10, Sean has never been able to get his symptoms under control. In Spokane he was a medical assistant, but his condition forced him out of the field. He estimates that he has \$110,000 in unpaid medical bills. **Below:** Melissa writes her feelings to help communicate. "I feel like I disappeared off the face of the Earth. I feel like I disappeared when my job did." - Melissa Walsh

