

Homelessness Partnering Strategy Community Plan Annual Update 2018-2019

Note:

Data submitted by the community during the 2018-2019 Community Plan Annual Update (CPAU) process is included in **blue**.

Data in **purple** was extracted from previous CPAUs.

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Current Situation

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Housing First Implementation

As part of the 2014-2019 HPS Community Plan, most communities were required to rate their community's readiness to implement Housing First. In the 2016-2017 Community Plan Annual Update, this questionnaire has been reintroduced.

As a community with a Housing First target, you are required to rate your community's implementation of Housing First based on the following questions. Each component of the scale has a rating of one to four with four demonstrating a higher-level of fidelity to the HF model. Use this information to help you consider where to adjust your HF program.

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CORE PRINCIPLES	
Rapid Housing with Supports. Program directly helps participants locate and secure permanent housing as rapidly as possible and assists them with moving-in or re-housing if needed.	3 - Program supports participants in locating housing within 1-3 months and offers participants who have lost their housing a new unit if they meet readiness requirements.
Housing Choice. Program participants choose the location and other features of their housing.	3 - Participants have some choice in location and other features of their housing, including decorating and furnishing their unit.
Separating housing provision from other services. Extent to which program participants are not required to demonstrate housing readiness.	4 - Participants have access to housing with no requirements to demonstrate readiness.
Integrated Housing. Extent to which housing tenure is assumed to be permanent housing with no actual or expected time limits, other than those defined under a standard lease or occupancy agreement.	4 - Participants live in housing with landlord-tenant agreements and there are no time limits on housing tenure other than those defined under a standard lease or occupancy agreement.
Tenancy Rights and Responsibilities. Extent to which program participants have legal rights to the unit.	4 - Participants have a written agreement and it contains no special provisions other than agreeing to meet

	with staff face-to-face regularly (weekly or biweekly).
Reasonable Cost for Housing. Extent to which participants pay a reasonable amount of their income for housing costs and/or program has access to rent supplements or subsidized housing units.	2 - Participants pay 46-60% or less of their income for housing costs and/or program helps participants obtain rent supplements or subsidized housing units.
Housing Support. Extent to which program offers services to help participants maintain housing, such as offering assistance with landlord relations and neighborhood orientation.	4 - Program offers ongoing housing support services.
SERVICE PHILOSOPHY	
Service choice. Extent to which program participants choose the type, sequence, and intensity of services such as recovery, medical and other services.	4 - Participants have the right to choose, modify, or refuse services and supports at any time, except regular face-to-face visit with staff.
Participant-Driven Program & Services. Extent to which the program and services are participant-driven.	3 - Program offers some opportunities for input on their individual services, but no opportunities to input more generally on program services.
Contact with Participants. Extent to which program maintains regular contact with participants.	4 - Program meets with participants at least 2 times a month to ensure participants' safety and well-being.
Continuous Services. Extent to which program participants are not discharged from services even if they lose housing.	4 - Participants continue to receive program services even if they lose housing.
Directly Offers or Brokers Services. Program directly offers or brokers support services to participants, such as recovery, medical and other services.	2 - Program directly offers or brokers some services.
Selection of Vulnerable Populations. Extent to which program focuses on chronic and/or episodically homeless individuals.	4 - Program prioritizes interventions for participants who are chronic and/or episodically homeless.
TEAM STRUCTURE/HUMAN RESOURCES	
Low Participant/Staff Ratio. Extent to which program consistently maintains a low participant/staff ratio.	4 - 20 or fewer participants per 1 FTE staff.

Community Contribution

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As part of the eligibility for HPS Designated Community funding, each community must be able to demonstrate that it has mobilized funding partners to contribute to its homelessness efforts; that it can identify \$1 contributing to your homelessness efforts from other sources for every dollar in the Designated Community allocation.

The “community contribution” can include funding from any partner other than HPS, including governments (Provincial/Territorial or Municipal/Regional); public institutions, such as hospitals, schools or universities; indigenous organizations; private sector organizations; and not-for-profit/charitable sector organizations, such as foundations or the United Way.

Name of Funder	Type of Funder	Contact Information (Contact person)	2016-2017 Actual			2017-2018 Expected		
			Financial contribution (dollars)	Non-financial contribution (estimate in dollars)	Total Contribution (dollars)	Financial contribution (estimate in dollars)	Non-financial contribution (dollars)	Total Contribution (dollars)
City of Yellowknife	Municipality	Grant White / Holly Ferris	\$568,000	\$20,000	\$588,000	\$560,000	\$20,000	\$580,000
GNWT - Homelessness Assistance Fund + HF Rent Supps	Province/Territory	Erin Shea	\$10,000	\$20,000	\$30,000	\$675,000		\$675,000
Total Financial and Non-financial Contributions					\$618,000			\$1,255,000
HPS Designated Communities Funding Stream allocation								\$351,834

Your 2017-2018 Priorities

Reference Number: 0-15438801

Report on your 2017-2018 Funding Priorities

Priority	Percentage Committed in CPAU (Designated Community)	Actual Percentage Spent (DC)	Actual Amount Invested (DC)
Housing First	87% (277,425)	95%	\$306,978
Individualized services	0%	0%	0
Capital investments	0%	3%	\$8819
Coordination of resources and leveraging	13% (41,454)	2%	\$7209
Data collection and use	0%	0%	\$0
Community Entity administration costs	(32,955)		\$28,828
Total Amount Spent	\$351,834		\$351,834
Allocation			\$351,834

How close were your estimates in your approved 2014-2019 HPS Community Plan to your final 2016-2017 expenditures?

More than 10% change to one or more priority.

You have more than a 10% change to one or more priorities, please describe

The 2017-2018 funding priority for Housing First was conservatively projected due to the large slippage in 2016-2017 (\$140,533).

There was a 9% difference between what was projected to be spent (87%) and what was actually spent (96%).

The VAT training (\$2355) was also included in this category for 2017-2018. This was a 9% change (\$306,978 (-) \$277,425 = \$29,533) of money actually spent on Housing First vs. the forecast.

This increased spending caused an 11% (13% (-) 2%) difference between what was projected for Coordination of resources and leveraging (printing and art for the 10 year plan to end homelessness) with \$34,245 (\$41,454 (-) 7209=\$34,245) which was spent under the Aboriginal Stream rather than the Designated Stream

You have not reached your target for investments in Housing First. What actions will you take in future to ensure that you reach your target?

How did you invest the additional funding allocated to you in 2017-2018?

Issued new Calls for Proposals; Increased funding to existing sub-projects.

Report your Community Engagement

An OLMC is a community whose official language is not the language of the majority community (for example, Canadian English-speaking communities in Quebec, or Canadian French-speaking communities in provinces and territories outside of Quebec).

CABs and CEs are expected to identify OLMCs within their community and ensure that appropriate services and supports are available in both official languages where there is significant demand. More details will be available through an HPS program directive that will be posted on the ESDC website.

Please describe what actions have been taken.

Our Territory has 11 Official Languages. At this point, our community lacks the capacity and are unable to address specific needs of the OLMC.

Please describe how the CAB and CE will, in 2018-2019, assess the needs of the OLMC, implement measures that respond to their identified needs, and ensure that the services funded under the HPS address their needs.

With the very large majority of our clients/participants who are accessing services for homelessness issues being of Indigenous descent, the Canadian Official FRENCH Language is rarely spoken. As we are a multicultural community, there are existing staff supports in service providers who speak both official languages, and if necessary, we are able to engage (French language) supports, in our small community.

Your 2018-2019 Priorities

What percentage of your allocation will you dedicate in 2018-2019 to each of the priorities? If you do not intend to invest in a specific priority, please enter 0.

Note that the following table does not correspond exactly to how you will report on this section using the Community Plan Annual Update Tool. It has been created to help you gather and manage the data you need to complete your Community Plan Annual Update. You need to complete Columns 1, 2, and 3 of the table.

1) Our Youth Capital Project will be paid in full - once all HPS commitments have been made through to 2019.

2) Our newly developed 10 Year Plan to End Homelessness indicates:

a) The need for coordination and leveraging of services.

b) The need to expand our Housing First Program to House more Chronically Homeless (indigenous) persons.

More specifically, the community response to homelessness could greatly benefit participants if we were to perform a community assessment which would ultimately move us toward a coordinated central intake and assessment function to allow for a more positive, appropriate and smooth homelessness experience response, which ultimately directs persons to the required supportive response. As well, after our last PiT Count, we learned there are a great number of chronically homeless persons. A response of Housing First is placing these individuals in safe & supportive housing. We have not, and will not in this HPS term, house all of our chronically (or episodically) homeless community.

**Priorities
2018-2019**

**Activities selected for funding
with the HPS allocation.**

**Demonstrating Success
(Targets for HPS Indicators)**

Priorities 2018-2019	Activities selected for funding with the HPS allocation.	Demonstrating Success (Targets for HPS Indicators)
<div data-bbox="237 306 453 447" style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; margin-bottom: 10px;">DC: 87 %</div> <p>To reduce homelessness through a Housing First (HF) approach The Housing First model includes both housing and access to supports primarily for chronically and episodically homeless individuals.</p>	<p>The community will be dedicating the following percentage of its Housing First funding to each of the following activities:</p> <p>HF readiness: 7%</p> <p>Client intake & assessment: 13%</p> <p>Connecting to and maintaining permanent housing: 30%</p> <p>Accessing services through case management: 50%</p> <p>Data, tracking & monitoring: 0%</p>	<p>29 Individuals will be placed in housing through an HF intervention.</p> <p>80% HF Clients who will remain housed at six months.</p> <p>80% HF clients who will remain housed at twelve months.</p> <p>30 Days for HF clients to move into permanent housing after intake.</p> <p>80% HF clients who will be rehoused.</p> <p>15% HF clients who will return to homelessness.</p> <p>15% HF clients who will successfully exit the program to a positive housing situation.</p>

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<div data-bbox="237 310 451 407" style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; margin-bottom: 10px;">DC: 0%</div> <p data-bbox="142 457 508 793">To improve the self-sufficiency of homeless individuals and families and those at imminent risk of homelessness through individualized services for the following populations:</p>	<p data-bbox="537 285 1024 394">In 2017-2018, the community will be implementing the following activities:</p>	<p data-bbox="1075 285 1562 394">In 2017-2018, the community hopes to achieve the following results:</p>
<div data-bbox="237 905 451 1001" style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; margin-bottom: 10px;">DC: 0%</div> <p data-bbox="142 1052 483 1241">To preserve or increase the capacity of facilities (Capital investments) for the following populations:</p>		
<div data-bbox="237 1360 451 1457" style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; margin-bottom: 10px;">DC: 13%</div> <p data-bbox="142 1514 391 1661">To ensure coordination of resources and leveraging</p>	<p data-bbox="537 1329 1024 1438">Determining a model in support of a broader systematic approach to addressing homelessness;</p> <p data-bbox="537 1482 1024 1707">Identifying, integrating and improving services (including staff training on activities and functions in support of a broader systematic approach to addressing homelessness);</p> <p data-bbox="537 1751 1049 1860">Partnership development in support of a broader systematic approach to addressing homelessness;</p>	<p data-bbox="1075 1329 1562 1402">Communities are not required to set HPS targets for these activities</p>

Priorities 2018-2019	Activities selected for funding with the HPS allocation.	Demonstrating Success (Targets for HPS Indicators)
	<p>Working with the housing sector to identify opportunities for and barriers to permanent housing (e.g. establishing landlord relationships, mapping of current available assets) in support of a broader systematic approach to addressing homelessness;</p> <p>Consultation, coordination, planning, and assessment (e.g. community planning)</p>	
<div data-bbox="237 779 453 877" style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; width: fit-content; margin: 0 auto;">DC: 0%</div> <p>To improve data collection and use</p>		

Information About Your Housing First Priority

Beyond the HPS plan, please identify any plans developed by, or in, your community to address homelessness. These plans may range from plans required by the Province or Territory to local plans developed to better integrate all the activities undertaken in your community to address homelessness.

If these plans are publically available, please include the titles and links of the plan:

- Provincial/Territorial (Please Specify:_)
- Municipal (Please Specify:_)
- Other (Specify:_)

The Governemnet of the Northwest Territories has committed a total \$675,000 indetermintely to the following priorities:

- \$150,000 - Housing First
- \$300,000 - Rapid Rehousing
- \$125,000 - Homelessness Assistance Fund (2017-18 we spent \$200,000)
- \$100,000 - Shelter Enhancement Fund

Community Advisory Board

Reference Number: 0-15432807

Note: Information removed to protect the privacy of individuals on the CAB. To validate, or update, this information, please contact your Service Canada Representative.