

# Homelessness Partnering Strategy Community Plan Annual Update 2015–2016

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Note:

Data submitted by the community during the 2015-2016 CPAU process is included in blue.

Data in **purple** was extracted from the Approved 2014-2019 HPS Community Plan

Community: [Yellowknife](#)

Region: [Northwest Territories](#)

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# Current Situation

Reference Number: 0-11575226

## Data

	General Homeless Population
1. Number of unique individuals who used an emergency homeless shelter in the twelve month period between January 1, 2013 and December 31, 2013	0
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2. Estimated number of shelter users who were chronically homeless in 2013	0
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3. Estimated number of shelter users who were episodically homelessness in 2013	0
3.1. Estimated number of shelter users who were episodically homelessness in 2014	0
4. Number of homeless veterans who used an emergency homeless shelter in 2013.	0
4.1. Number of homeless veterans who used an emergency homeless shelter in 2014.	0
5. Estimated number of homeless veterans who were chronically or episodically homeless in 2013.	0
5.1. Estimated number of homeless veterans who were chronically or episodically homeless in 2014.	0
6. Number of homeless individuals identified during the latest point in time count (if available).	149
7. Date count the last point in time count was undertaken (if available).	2015/05/13

Please describe your strategy for ensuring that the community can provide numbers for 2015 for all required indicators in the next HPS Community Plan Annual Update.

Yellowknife's sheltering agencies are using HIFIS but ongoing consistent capacity challenges prohibit the ability to determine the full scope of shelter users on this date. We anticipate this ability by December 2015 as more training is required in all agencies.

## Community Contribution

Reference Number: 0-11575407

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 such as: governments (Provincial/Territorial or Municipal/Regional); public institutions, such as hospitals, schools or universities; aboriginal 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)	2014-2015 Actual			2015-2016 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)
Gov't of NWT - Housing Corporation	Province/Territory	Revi Lau-a	\$2,293,000	\$0	\$2,293,000	\$125,000	\$0	\$125,000
Gov't of NWT - ECE	Province/Territory	Michael Saturnino	\$180,000	\$0	\$180,000	\$180,000	\$0	\$180,000
<b>Total Financial and Non-financial Contributions</b>			\$2,473,000	\$-	<b>\$2,473,000</b>	\$305,000	\$-	<b>\$305,000</b>
<b>HPS Designated Communities Funding Stream allocation</b>								\$234,556

# Your 2014-2015 Priorities

Reference Number: 0-11575571

Report on your 2014-2015 Designated Community Funding Priorities<sup>1</sup>

Priority	2014-2015 Actual Amount (\$) Designated Community	Percentage Spent per Priority	Percentage Committed in 2014-2019 Community Plan
Housing First (including projects funded under transitional measures)	\$19,383	11%	11%
Individualized services (including projects funded under transitional measures)	\$-	43%	0%
Capital investments	\$151,372	42%	85%
Coordination of resources and leveraging	\$-	0%	0%
Data collection and use	\$7,700	4%	4%
Community Entity administration costs	\$56,101		
Total Amount Spent	\$234,556		
Allocation	\$234,556		

## Report your Community Engagement

How is the CAB working with the Aboriginal sector and/or local Aboriginal CAB to identify and implement Aboriginal homelessness priorities in 2014-2015 and for the next years?

Our CAB and the service agencies serve mostly (96%) aboriginal persons so virtually all projects and activities are performed through an aboriginal lens.

<sup>1</sup> The amounts spent on projects funded under transitional measures since April 1, 2015, are included under the priorities "To reduce homelessness through a Housing First approach" and "To improve the self-sufficiency of homeless individuals and families and those at imminent risk of homelessness through individualized services".

Please explain why the percentages you invested in your priorities differed from your original intentions as expressed in your approved 2014-2019 HPS Community Plan.

#### **Individualized services (including projects funded under transitional measures)**

\*\* \$76,250 was a forecasted expenditure in the original CP but the reason for the discrepancy in the planned investments was the incorrect category it was inserted in at the beginning. See below in Capital for further explanation.

#### **Capital investments**

\*\* As explained above, this was also a forecasted expenditure in the plan but the reason for the discrepancy in the planned investments was again the incorrect category it was inserted in at the beginning. The \$75,122 was entered into capital due to the nature of the work performed versus the forecasted original. Yellowknife was always to support this specific expenditure, but on our original CP, we had not secured a day shelter location so it was unclear of exactly what the funding would be specifically expended on. In the end, they desperately required capital upgrades to the facility, which is why it was re-categorized into 'Capital' vs the original Individualized Services.

Also, the "missing" funds (%) originally planned in our CP included the capital purchase of a building for youth housing. This purchase was made with Aboriginal Communities funds so does not show on the Designated stream. Funds originally allocated were in the amount of \$180,000. The final figure was \$212,035. Under Aboriginal capital for 2014/15.

#### **Official Languages Minority Communities**

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.

nil

Please describe how the CAB and CE will, in 2015-2016, 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.

Our Territory boasts 11 official languages and unfortunately, we are unable to accommodate all language needs.

## Your 2015-2016 Priorities

Reference Number: 0-11577094

The HPS encourages responsive community planning. Communities are encouraged to review their plans to make sure they stay relevant to the changing dynamics of the homelessness situation.

Your HPS 2014-2019 Community Plan was approved some time ago, and recent events may have occurred, which may result in modifying the funding priorities that you identified for 2015-2016. In addition, you may want to change the percentage you are committing to each of your priorities. If each of your priorities will change by less than 10%, there is no need to report any change.

The following table captures the funding priorities you identified and any changes made. If you made no changes, the priority is marked with an "x" followed by the percentage identified in the 2014-2019 HPS Community Plan. If a change was indicated, only the change has been included.

Priorities 2015-2016	Activities selected for funding with the HPS allocation.	Demonstrating Success (Targets for HPS Indicators)
<p>DC: x (40%)</p> <p><b>To reduce homelessness through a Housing First (HF) approach</b> The Housing First model includes both housing and access to supports</p>	<p><b>The community will be dedicating the following percentage of its Housing First funding to each of the following activities:</b></p> <p>HF readiness: 70%</p> <p>Client intake &amp; assessment: 10%</p> <p>Connecting to and maintaining permanent housing: 10%</p>	<p>5 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</p>

Priorities 2015-2016	Activities selected for funding with the HPS allocation.	Demonstrating Success (Targets for HPS Indicators)
<p>primarily for chronically and episodically homeless individuals.</p>	<p>Accessing services through case management: <b>6%</b></p> <p>Data, tracking &amp; monitoring: <b>4%</b></p>	<p>will remain housed at twelve months.</p> <p><b>21</b> Days for HF clients to move into permanent housing after intake.</p> <p><b>30%</b> HF clients who will be rehoused.</p> <p><b>12%</b> HF clients who will return to homelessness.</p> <p><b>80%</b> HF clients who will successfully exit the program to a positive housing situation.</p>

Priorities 2015-2016	Activities selected for funding with the HPS allocation.	Demonstrating Success (Targets for HPS Indicators)
<p>DC: (0%)</p> <p><b>To improve the self-sufficiency of homeless individuals and families and those at imminent risk of homelessness through individualized services</b></p>		
<p>DC: x (55%)</p> <p><b>To preserve or increase the capacity of facilities (Capital investments) for the following populations:</b></p> <p><b>Youth</b>  <b>Aboriginal people</b>  <b>Immigrants and Refugees</b>  <b>People with a Mental Health Issue</b>  <b>People with Addictions</b></p>	<p>Transitional housing facilities</p>	<p>0 New transitional units added to a new or existing facility</p>
<p>DC: x (5%)</p> <p><b>To ensure coordination of resources and leveraging</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Determining a model in support of a broader systematic approach to addressing homelessness</li> <li>• Identifying, integrating and improving services (including staff training on activities and functions in support of a broader systematic approach to addressing homelessness)</li> <li>• Partnership development in support of a broader systematic</li> </ul>	<p>Communities are not required to set HPS targets for these activities</p>

Priorities 2015-2016	Activities selected for funding with the HPS allocation.	Demonstrating Success (Targets for HPS Indicators)
	<p>approach to addressing homelessness</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>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</li> </ul>	
<p>DC: x (0%)</p> <p><b>To improve data collection and use</b></p>	<p>Point-in-time counts Information collection and sharing (including implementing and using HIFIS)</p>	<p>Communities are not required to set HPS targets for these activities</p>

### Information About Your Housing First Priority

The Housing First Approach requires access to a range of client supports. How will you engage (or how are you engaging) provincial or territorial programs to facilitate access to provincial/territorial services for Housing First clients?

The Territorial Gov't sits on our CAB and we continually engage stakeholders, with the initiatives, as partners in projects, and as funders.

## Community Advisory Board

Reference Number: 0-11559117

Yellowknife Community Board on Homelessness

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