

Homelessness Initiative

Our Homelessness Initiative works collaboratively with rural, remote, and Indigenous communities across Canada to support them in responding to homelessness.

HOMELESSNESS IS FAR LESS UNDERSTOOD AND ACKNOWLEDGED IN RURAL, REMOTE, AND INDIGENOUS COMMUNITIES .

OUR SERVICES

The Homelessness team supports communities with developing and implementing coordinated solutions to address homelessness. Specifically, we focus on:



CAPACITY BUILDING TO ADDRESS HOMELESSNESS



WORKSHOPS & TRAINING



HOUSING & SERVICE NEEDS ESTIMATIONS



COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT



SERVICE MAPPING



TASK FORCE DEVELOPMENT



COMMUNITY ACTION PLANS



COORDINATED ACCESS



ACCESSING FUNDING

Contact us to explore how we can help your community!

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BENEFITS OF WORKING WITH OUR HOMELESSNESS TEAM

- Deep understanding of the unique challenges smaller communities face.
- Tailored and culturally appropriate approaches that reflect the realities of rural, remote, and Indigenous communities.
- Use of inclusive language such as housing insecurity and houselessness to reflect First Nations, Métis and Inuit experiences.
- Practical tools, guidance, and expertise to build local capacity.
- Support in understanding, preventing, and responding to homelessness.
- Assistance with collecting and interpreting local data to amplify community voices and inform programs, policy development, and funding applications.



Housing & Service Needs Estimations

We help communities identify housing and service needs by collecting homelessness data, developing strategies, and supporting the implementation of responses and next steps in community. Our work focuses on supporting community members along the entire spectrum of homelessness, offering data-driven tools and resources to improve housing stability and preventative services.

Resources

- [Rural, Remote, and Indigenous Communities' Responses to Homelessness in Alberta](#)
- [Guide to Implementing Coordinated Access in Smaller Communities](#)
- [2023 Alberta Provincial Estimations Report](#)
- [Step-by-Step Guide to Estimating Rural Homelessness 2nd Edition](#)
- [Developing Emergency Mat Programs](#)

Download on our website:

<https://ruraldevelopment.ca/resources>



RDN is a nonprofit organization that supports rural, remote, and Indigenous communities.