



Housing Responses during COVID-19

Today's Presenters



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Our Vision, Mission and Values

It's time to revisit the principles

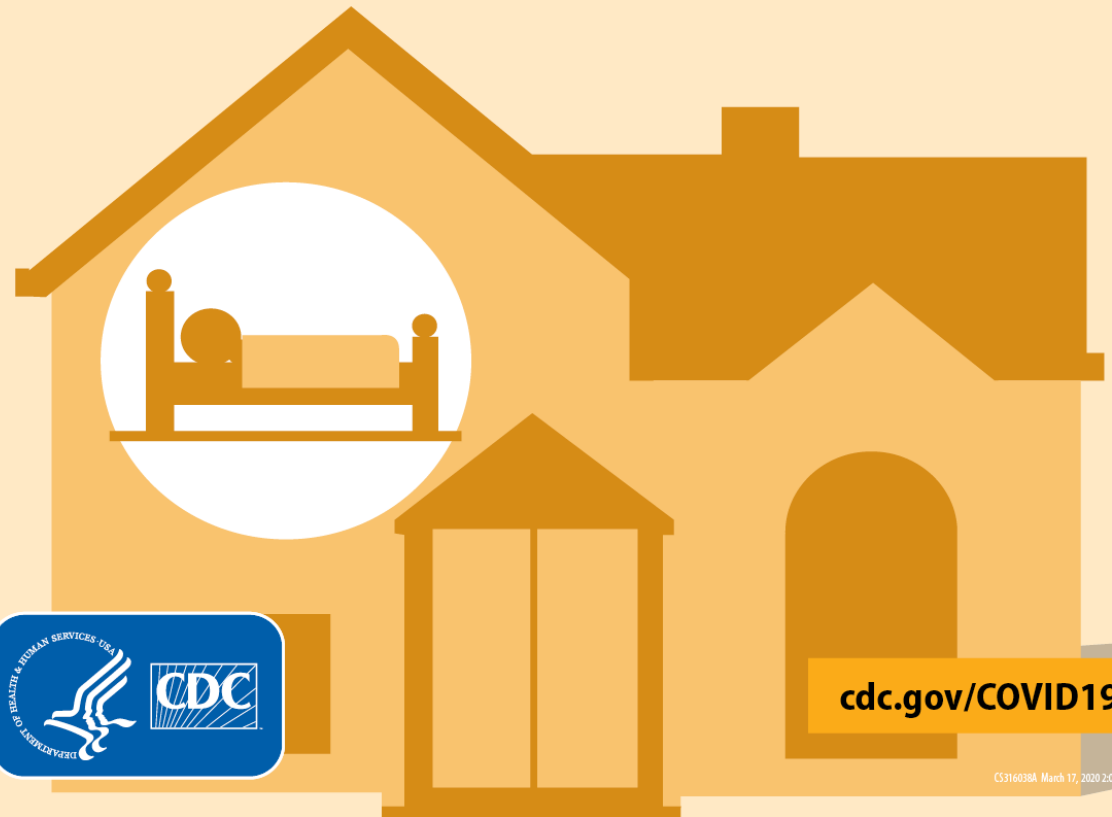
END HOMELESSNESS

What if you
are
homeless?

STOP THE SPREAD OF GERMS

Help prevent the spread of respiratory diseases like COVID-19.

Stay home when you are sick,
except to get medical care.



**Include
Housing
responses**



THE TIME IS NOW TO FIX
CANADA'S HOUSING CRISIS



**This is not
business as usual**

3 Tips for Housing During a Crisis



Create a problem solving culture



Shamelessly ask for what you **need**



Cut the **RED** tape

Housing Response Steps

Designate a housing lead, coordinator and/or command centre

1. Identify, locate and match
2. Locate Housing
3. Supports and Services

Housing Response Steps

Housing Process	Consider	Examples
<p>Designate a lead coordinator or a command centre on housing for people experiencing homelessness.</p>		
<p>Identify, Locate and Match</p>	<p>How can you leverage your BNL/CA? What housing options do you have? Can we prioritize people most at risk, in shelter/encampments or based on available housing match?</p>	<p>Hamilton houses people over the age of 60 the quickest in social housing due to senior housing stock. You may want to prioritize people over 60 in shelter.</p>
<p>Locate Housing</p>	<p>Leverage relationships, look at city owned stock, re-purpose subsidies or local housing benefits. Who can be deployed to take care of housing search and lease up work? Be creative with how people can view units and move in.</p>	<p>Large workforce at home who may be able to do housing search, communicate with landlords, arrange viewing arrangements to ensure social distancing, electronic lease ups etc.</p> <p>New Orleans secured 250 housing vouchers from HUD.</p>
<p>Supports and Services</p>	<p>How might you deliver case management differently? How can volunteers/public offer support? Can you find ways to create mobile/virtual supports rather than place based? Consider other interventions like Diversion and Rapid Exits.</p>	<p>OW emergency assistance Faith groups create housing kits Virtual/phone case management tools and scripts Provide emergency assistance to keep people out of temporary shelters when possible.</p>

A vibrant rainbow arches across a dark, stormy sky, its colors ranging from deep purple to bright yellow. Below the rainbow, a rolling landscape of green fields and trees is visible, with some trees showing autumnal hues. The scene is captured from a high vantage point, looking down over the hills. The overall mood is dramatic and awe-inspiring.

**The Brightest Rainbows
Follow the Darkest Storms**

We are Here to Support You

