

Campbell River Coalition to End Homelessness





Housing Needs Assessment

- Whole of region
- Information collection

Housing Coalition

- Campbell River and surrounds
- Implementation & action

Mission




The Campbell River Coalition to End Homelessness works as a collective to plan, coordinate, recommend and implement community responses to homelessness



Our Values

& Operating Principles

Members and advisors of the Coalition agree to put aside the respective goals for their individual society, agency or association and wholeheartedly commit to collaborating on the priority needs of people who are homeless or at risk of being homeless.

A group of approximately 15 people are seated around a long, light-colored folding table in a meeting room. The room features large windows on the back wall that offer a view of a blue lake and a forested shoreline. The participants are dressed in business casual attire. Some are looking towards the front of the room, while others are engaged in conversation or looking at documents. A projector is visible on the table in the foreground. The overall atmosphere appears to be a professional meeting or workshop.

To speak as “One Voice”
as it relates to homelessness
and the affordable housing crisis

Coalition Working Group

- Shelley Howard, Campbell River Head Injury Support Society
- Keith Hopkins, Salvation Army
- Natalie Meredith, John Howard Society
- Lindsay McGinn, United Way Central and Northern Vancouver Island
- Pat McKenna, Habitat for Humanity Vancouver Island North

Supported by:

- Libby King, Strathcona Community Health Network
- Sue Moen, Salvation Army



**STRATHCONA
COMMUNITY**
HEALTH NETWORK



United Way
Central & Northern
Vancouver Island

Island Success Stories

Comox Valley Coalition to End Homelessness

- Referendum held in fall 2015 to install a homelessness support service, which serves as leverage funding for federal and provincial funding streams

Nanaimo Coalition on Homelessness

- Designated Community for Federal Homeless Partnering Strategy
- 30 of most chronically homeless housed in the last 2 years

Cowichan Coalition for Homelessness and Affordable Housing

- Proposing a new service to address affordable housing



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noun

Two or more people working together
towards shared goals

Collaboration fosters sustainable solutions

ONE voice to regional, municipal, federal and
provincial funding

Member Agencies

- United Way, Central and Northern Vancouver Island
- John Howard Society
- Salvation Army
- Habitat for Humanity, Vancouver Island North
- Campbell River Head Injury Society
- Ehattesaht First Nation
- AIDS Vancouver Island
- Campbell River North Island Transition society



Advisory Members

- Federal, provincial and municipal elected officials
- Federal, provincial and municipal staff
- Provincial government funding bodies
- Public services such as RCMP & Fire Department
- Campbell River BIA
- Island Health
- Mental Health and Substance Use Service Providers (ex Homes First committee)



Our Next Steps

- Build member and advisory group
- Fund Coordinator
 - Homelessness Prevention Strategy opens in the Fall
 - There could also be a role for SRD and City of Campbell River in helping to support this work
- Explore project and funding opportunities (National Housing Strategy; BC Housing initiatives, including the Rapid Response to Homelessness funding; UBCM housing and poverty reduction grants)
- Implement, where appropriate, projects identified in the Regional Housing Needs Assessment (not yet released)
- Build a 5 year strategic plan

How the SRD can be an active player

- Direct SRD staff to open a dialogue with The Coalition to consider innovative ways to leverage federal and provincial funds, including investigating a housing service and/or referendum
- Appoint advisory member(s)
- Assist in supporting a part time coordinator position through grant applications or funding
- Help us achieve momentum through continuing to be an active participant





Questions?