Spotlight on Rural and Remote Youth Homelessness

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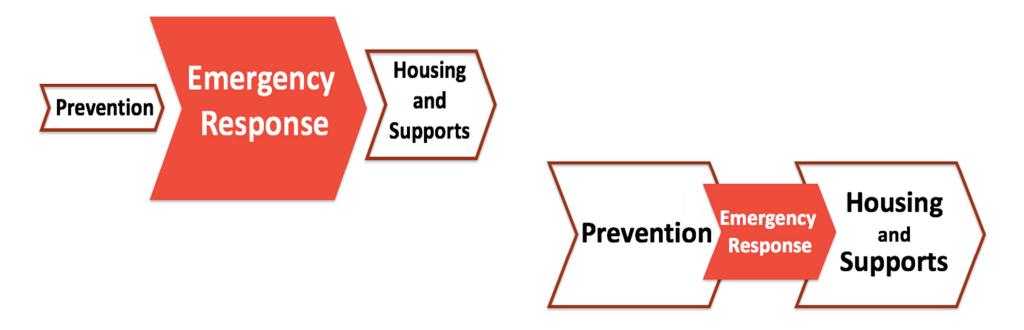




- **1. Introduction**
- 2. Panel Discussion
- 3. World Café
- 4. Report Back and Wrap Up -



What does the shift to prevention and stability look like in rural and remote communities?





Challenges and Opportunities

- Issues and innovations for RRYH are unique, not well know, supported or scaled in all provinces/territories.
- RRYH not as immersed in the national conversation as it should be.
- Absence of relevant research and mechanisms to share best practice.





AWHC Role

Local – Support coordinated responses locally through systems planning and shift to prevention

Provincial/Territorial – Act as a support and catalyst at the provincial/territorial level to strengthen work underway and identify gaps in policy.

Pan-Canadian – Bring RRYH issues and solutions into the national movement to prevent and end youth homelessness – conferences, research, policy. Connect provincial efforts – ARDN, Choices for Youth Ontario RRYN



Panelists

- Terri Lee Kelford Chair, Cornerstone Landing Youth Services
- Joshua Smee Provincial Expansion Coordinator -Choices for Youth, NL
- Ayon Shahed Director of Strategic Relations Choices for Youth, NL
- Mike Lethby E.D. The RAFT, Niagara
- Jonn Kmech Program Manager Alberta Rural Development Network





1. **Collective Voice -** "Why is it important for rural/remote communities to have a collective voice? What are the emerging/immediate issues"?

2. **Research/Data** - "What could be learned (by government, policy, community, funders) from doing research in rural communities? How is data collection different in/for rural communities?"

3. **Strengths** - "Identify what distinguishes rural and remote responses from urban."

4. **Funding** - Should funding in rural and remote communities be addressed differently then urban centres, (strengths and challenges)? What are the barriers to accessing funding in rural communities?

5. **Ideas for Next Steps –** How would you like to connect/share going forward – online, in person, other?







A Way Home Canada - <u>www.awayhome.ca</u>

- Rural and Remote Youth Homelessness Webinar
- Register for Newsletter!!!!!

Choices for Youth Provincial Expansion -<u>https://www.choicesforyouth.ca/provincial-expansion</u>

Alberta Rural Development Network - www.ardn.ca

The Raft – www.theraft.ca



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