



A HOME OF OUR OWN

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- Who we are
- ► What we do
- Current project





Tsi iakwanakere Research Project: Community-Based Sense of Home

- Knowledge gathering interviews with:
- Aboriginal Community Advisory Board (ACAB)
- Review of position papers
- Executive Directors from local Indigenous orgs
- Indigenous Housing Based Case Managers
- First Nations, Inuit & Métis Elders
- Community members who have experienced homelessness



METHODOLOGY

- Pre interview referrals
- One on one meet for coffee, discuss project
- Gather support circle
- Conduct interview with support post interview
- Make a positive experience
- Maintain contact share pre-screening, get feedback
- Invite to screening at Community Forum with Mayor.
- Honoured for their contribution
- Reconnect for closing ceremony with Elders, land, drumming



PURPOSE OF THE VIDEO

- Raise awareness on specific urban Indigenous housing issues in Ottawa
- Highlight any specific barriers to service in the current Housing First model
- Provide recommendations for specific policy changes to address barriers



SPECIFIC RECOMMENDATIONS

- Increase Housing allowances
- Remove requirement of SPDAT Tool
- Consider the shelter stay requirement
- Recognize Ottawa's unique urban Indigenous housing issues