



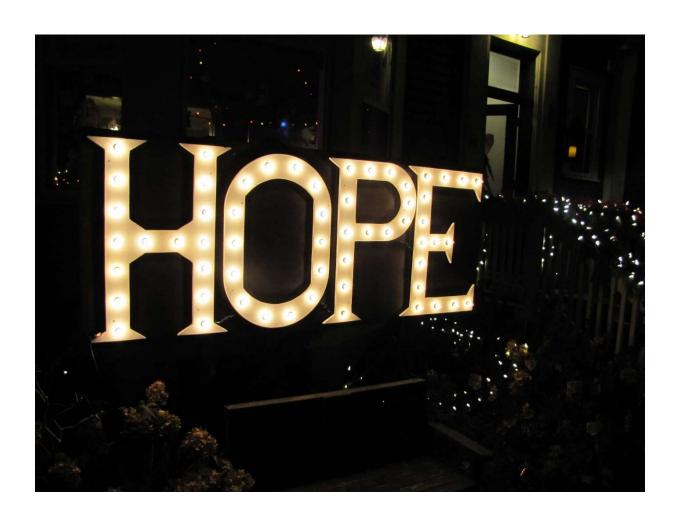
Transforming Lives Through Real Homes, Real Help, and Real Work

## Stella's Circle History





## About Stella's Circle





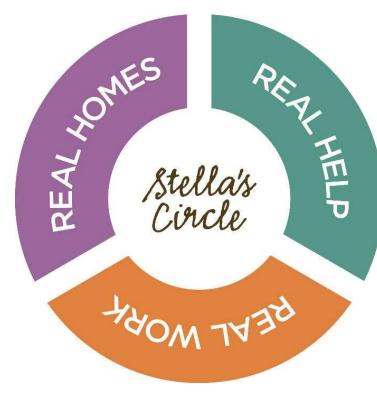
#### About Stella's Circle

Naomi Centre

Brian Martin Housing Resource Centre

Jess's Place

Front Step (co-managed with Choices for Youth)



Community Support Program

Just Us Women's Centre

**Emmanuel House** 

Work Experience

Employment Counselling & Transition Groups

Adult Basic Education (ABE)

**Social Enterprise** 

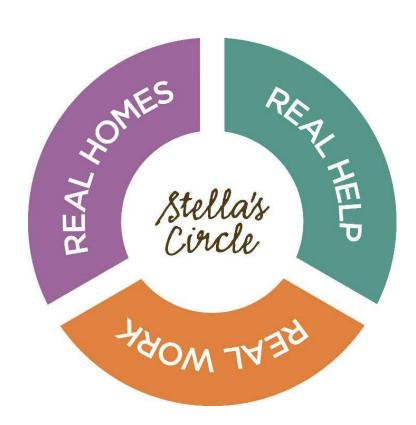
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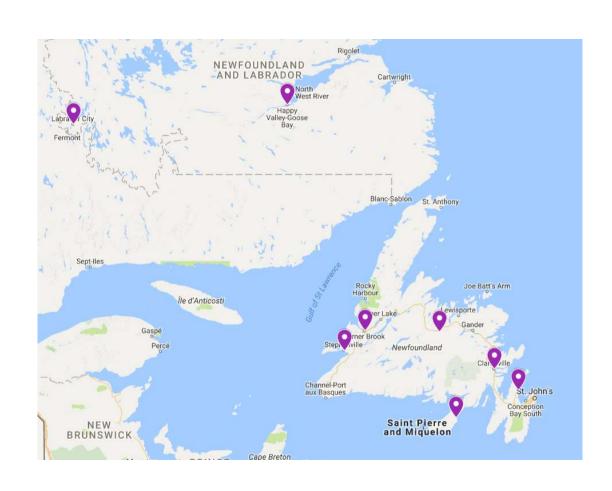


# How to Adapt Housing First

A Rural Newfoundland and Labrador experience

#### Newfoundland & Labrador

- Carbonear
- Marystown
- Clarenville
- Grand Falls-Windsor
- Cornerbrook
- Stephenville
- HVGB
- Labrador City



## Gail's Role

- Mentor
- Trainer
- Support person
- Team builder
- Transfer knowledge



## Housing Support Worker 101

- Building the team
- Mental health vs mental illness
- Housing First
- Eviction prevention
- Motivational interviewing
- Harm reduction
- Cycle of change

- Residential Tenancy Act
- Landlord recruitment
- Sources of funding
- Community partners
- HIFIS
- SPDAT
- Self care
- Record keeping

## Key Considerations

- Scope of work
- Host agency
- WAST
- Community buy-in
- Training
- Geographic boundary
- Landlords, landlords...
- Support position or agency



## Challenges – Lessons Learned

- Housing
- Isolation
- Expectations
- Data
- Proponent agency
- Matching acuity



#### Celebrate!

- Spotlight on housing and homelessness issues
- New housing developments
- Amazing staff!
- Community collaboration
- Can say NO





Thank you