

## Homelessness Sector COVID-19 Information Exchange

Preliminary Agenda & Minutes Sept 4th, 2020, 10:00 MT/12:00 ET

## Meeting Purpose

For the duration of the COVID-19 outbreak the CAEH will be hosting a weekly webinar for community homelessness leaders, national partners & stakeholders to create a communication channel with the Government of Canada, share information on the rapidly evolving crisis and support community responses to the COVID-19 pandemic.

Time	Item	Areas for Discussion	Next Steps
5 min	Welcome – Tim Richter	Meeting purpose: a weekly webinar for community homelessness leaders, national partners & stakeholders to create a communication channel with the Government of Canada, share information on the rapidly evolving crisis and support community responses to the COVID-19 pandemic  • Meeting is designed to be informal • Share news and new resources • Share information with GOC • Seek advice from peers  Requests:	Next Steps
		<ul> <li>Use the chat function to ask a question of the presenters or each other.</li> <li>Be generous with your wisdom and constructive in criticism.</li> <li>Share the airtime.</li> <li>Share your resources.</li> </ul>	

5 min	Updates and	Changes to COVID-19 Calls
	News	New schedule has been sent out – every two weeks until December
		Bumped time earlier
		1.5 hours booked to allow time for 30-minute mini webinar presentations
		Upcoming COVID-19 Info Exchange Calls
		September 18 <sup>th</sup>
		Survey Review
		Ottawa update & Q&A w/ Adam Vaughan
		Reaching Home Update – DG Kris Johnson
		TBC Presentation: How Fort McMurray reduced chronic homelessness during
		COVID https://caeh.ca/bright-spot-fort-mcmurray/
		October 2 <sup>nd</sup>
		o Survey Review
		<ul> <li>Ottawa update &amp; Q&amp;A w/ Adam Vaughan</li> </ul>
		TBC Presentation: Responding to encampments
		Upcoming webinars
		CAEH will be releasing a fall line-up of webinars. Below are webinars planned for the fall with
		OrgCode. All Dates TBC shortly
		Canadian Shelter Transformation Network Webinars:
		Trauma Informed Housing Focused Shelter
		Harm Reduction and Housing Focused Shelter
		<ul> <li>Dealing with Resistance in Being a Housing Focused Shelter</li> </ul>
		<ul> <li>What Funders and Program Monitors Need to Know About Housing Focused</li> </ul>
		Shelter.
		Encampment Webinars:
		How to Assess and Understand Large Scale Encampments
		<ul> <li>Mobilizing Resources, Organizing Resources and Establishing a Command</li> </ul>
		Structure to Track and Respond to Encampments
		<ul> <li>Using Data and Mapping in Outreach, Resolution and Monitoring</li> </ul>
		New Resources – Listed below

		Recovery for All Update	
		• 18,100 supporters	
		• 350,000 (!!!) letters sent	
		• Crunch time! Big push to Sept 23 <sup>rd</sup>	
		<ul> <li>PLEASE sign up for the campaign if you haven't. We will be reaching out to ask for your</li> </ul>	
		help to carry the message in coming days	
		NEW videos coming	
		NDP MP Jenny Kwan will release a Parliamentary petition in support of Recovery for All soon (e-2826)	
		Please sign and share these letters:	
		<ul> <li>Letter to MPs on RFA: <a href="https://act.newmode.net/action/end-homelessness">https://act.newmode.net/action/end-homelessness</a></li> </ul>	
		<ul> <li>Letter on public support for ending homelessness</li> </ul>	
		: https://act.newmode.net/action/80-percent-support	
		<ul> <li>Letter urging appointment of Housing Advocate and Housing</li> </ul>	
		Council: https://act.newmode.net/action/right-to-housing	
		<ul> <li>Letter in support of open letter from health care</li> </ul>	
		professionals: https://act.newmode.net/action/stand-with-health-workers	
		Letter to Toronto MPs: <a href="https://act.newmode.net/action/invest-in-housing-gta">https://act.newmode.net/action/invest-in-housing-gta</a>	
		Peer Learning and Networking Support	
		Closed Facebook group:	
		https://www.facebook.com/groups/913936315704378/?source_id=172424676165115	
INFO	Biweekly Survey	** Please complete the survey - this one is important **	
	results	Will publish updated survey next week and discuss on Sept 18th	
		<ul> <li>https://caeh.ca/homelessness-sector-covid-19-information-exchange/</li> </ul>	
20 min	Adam Vaughan,		
	MP – Update from		
	Government of		
	Canada		
	Q&A with Adam		
INFO	New COVID-19	Updates to CNH3 and One-Pagers	
	Resources		
		Unsheltered Homelessness: Guidance and Community Examples – Guidelines and Guidance	
		When Shelter in Place Isn't an Option – Environmental Health Guidance for Encampments	
		by the National Collaborating Centre for Environmental Health. Webinar and guidance	
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document synthesize available evidence on environmental health risks associated with encampments and best practices to prevent the transmission of COVID-19.
<ul> <li>Staffing, Self-Care, &amp; Grief</li> <li>Psychological Personal Protective Equipment by the Institute for Healthcare Improvement. Webinar discusses psychological PPE to promote health and well-being, including steps both individuals and team leaders can take to protect themselves and their staff.</li> </ul>