

Greater Victoria Coalition to End Homelessness

LPP8: INNOVATIVE APPROACHES TO COMMUNITY PLANNING

CAEH17: National Conference on Ending Homelessness

Winnipeg, Manitoba

October 26, 2017

ABOUT THE COALITION

- Vision - **A Region Without Homelessness**
- Mission
 1. To ensure **appropriate solutions** are in place to serve those individuals experiencing **chronic homelessness** in the Capital Region.
 2. To ensure **all people** facing homelessness in the Capital Region have access to **safe, affordable, appropriate, long-term housing**.
- Core Operational Funders
 - CRD, Island Health and City of Victoria
- Project Funders
 - Victoria Foundation, United Way and Homelessness Partnering Strategy.



WHO WE ARE – CORPORATE & PWLE

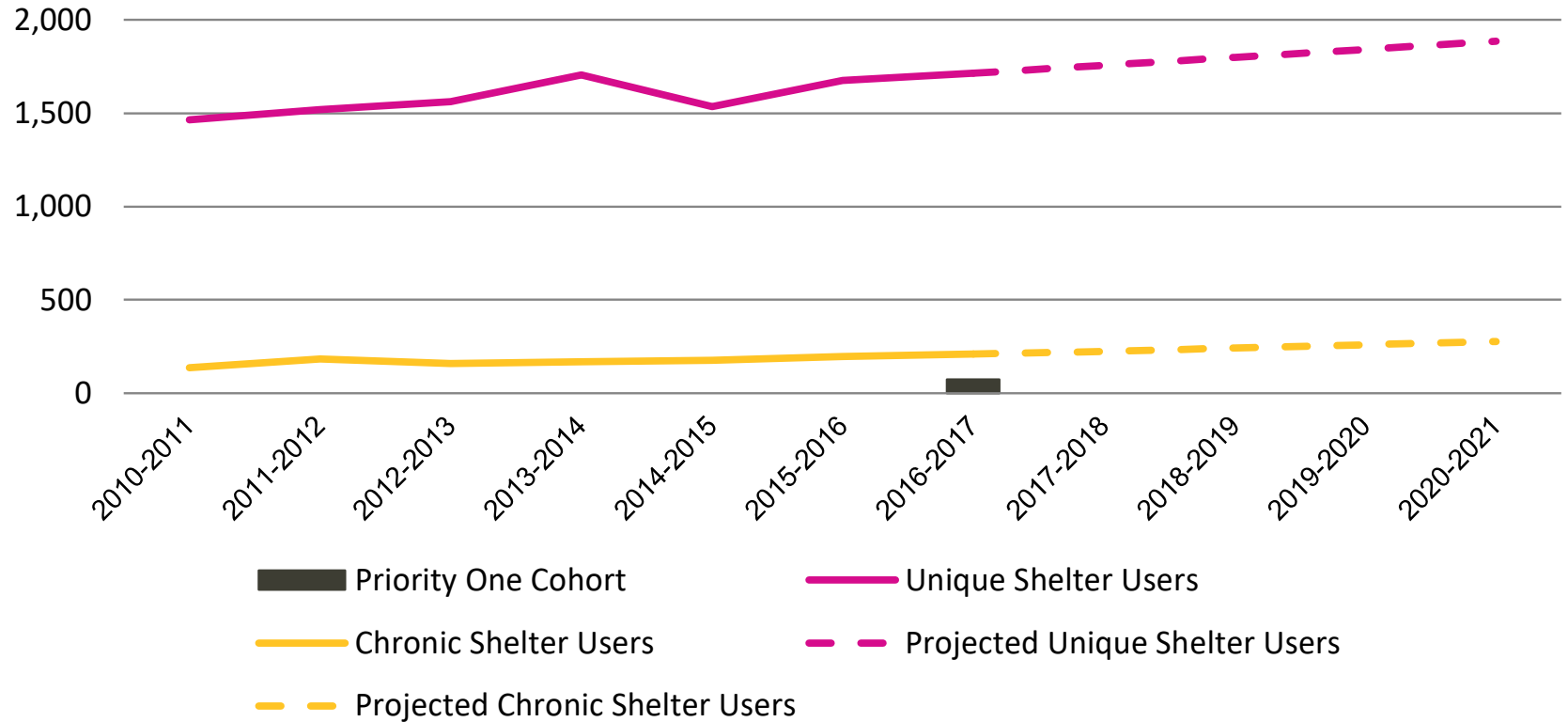
Corporate

- 2016/17 – **Over 40 Stakeholders**
- Board of Directors – **11 Individuals**
- Steering Committee – **3 Stakeholder Groups**, Working Group Chairs & Vice-Chair
- Three Working Groups – Overseeing **Community-Based Projects**

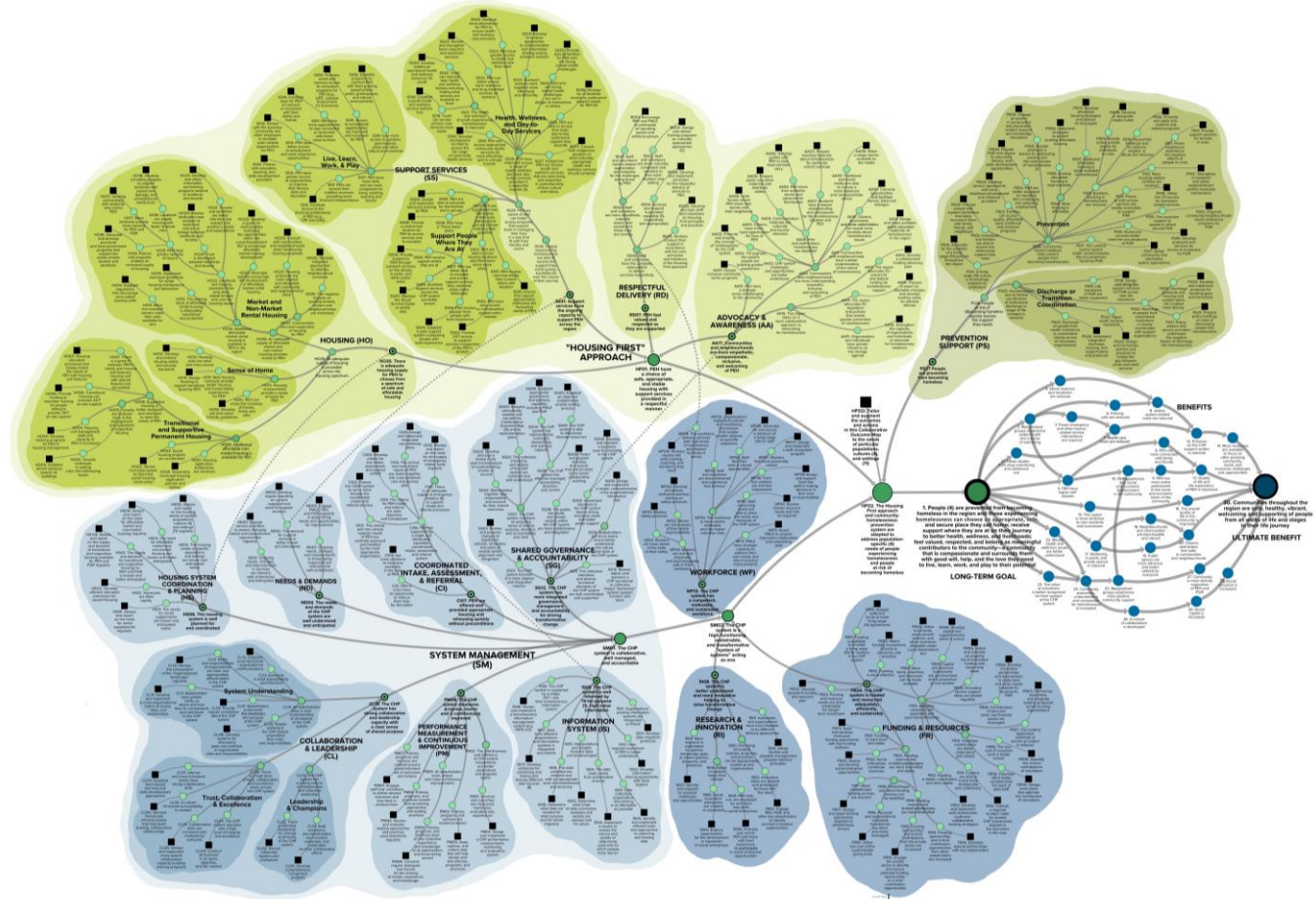
People with Lived Experience

- Social Inclusion Advisory Committee (SIAC) is made up of **50 – 100** individuals with lived experience.
 - **Strengthen Capacity**
 - **Build a Group**
 - **Foster Leadership and Participation**
- Up to **12** ways for individuals to participate
- And **4** community engagement opportunities

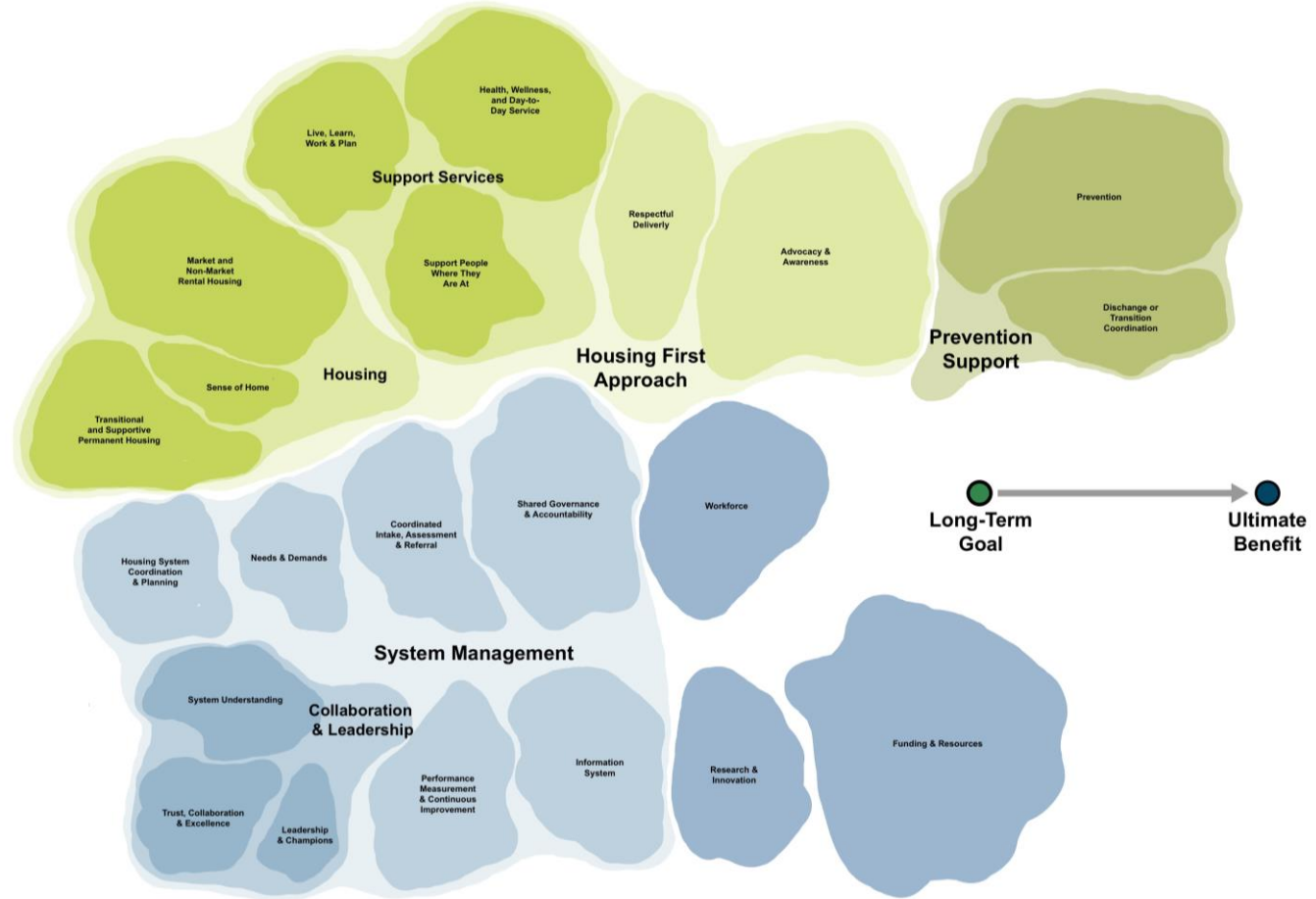
VICTORIA CONTEXT – HOMELESSNESS



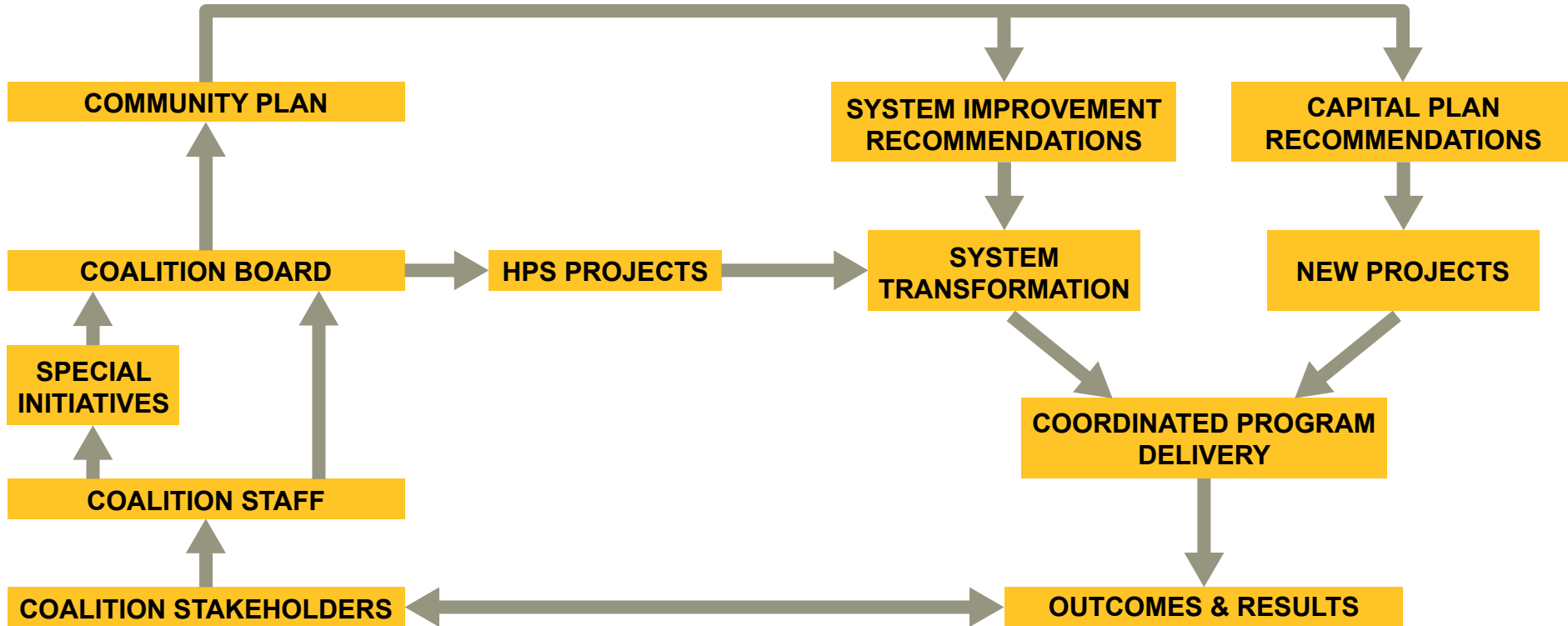
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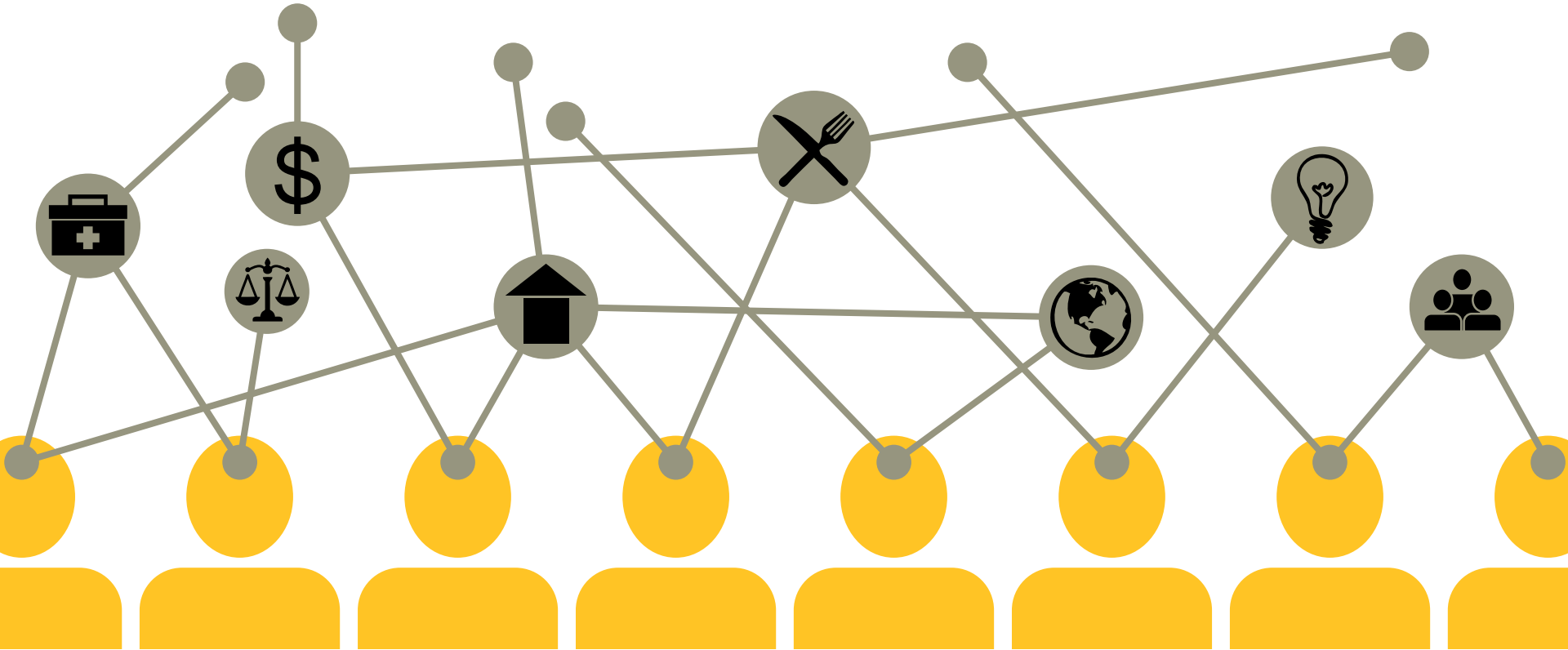
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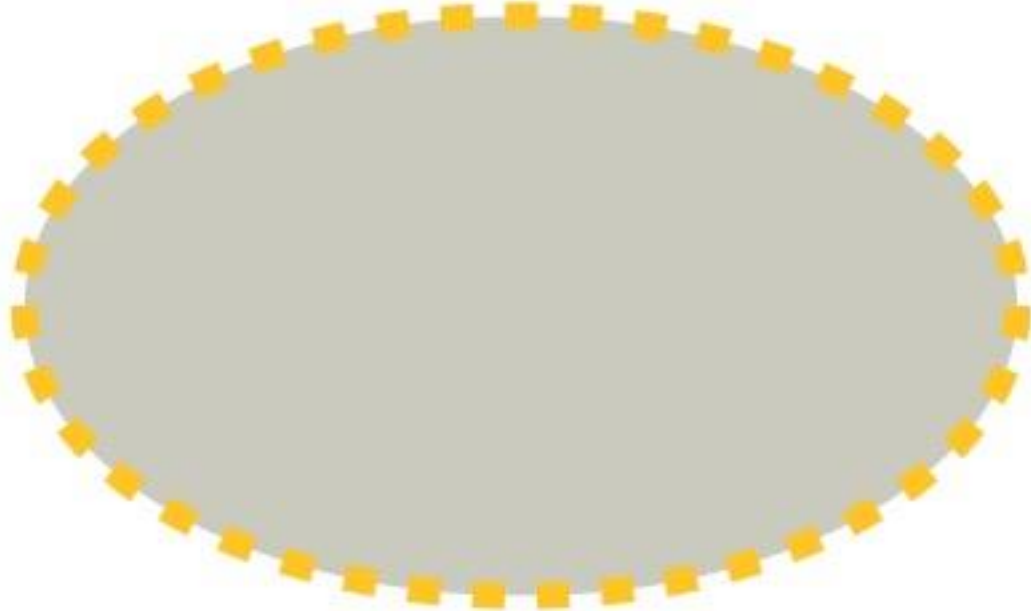
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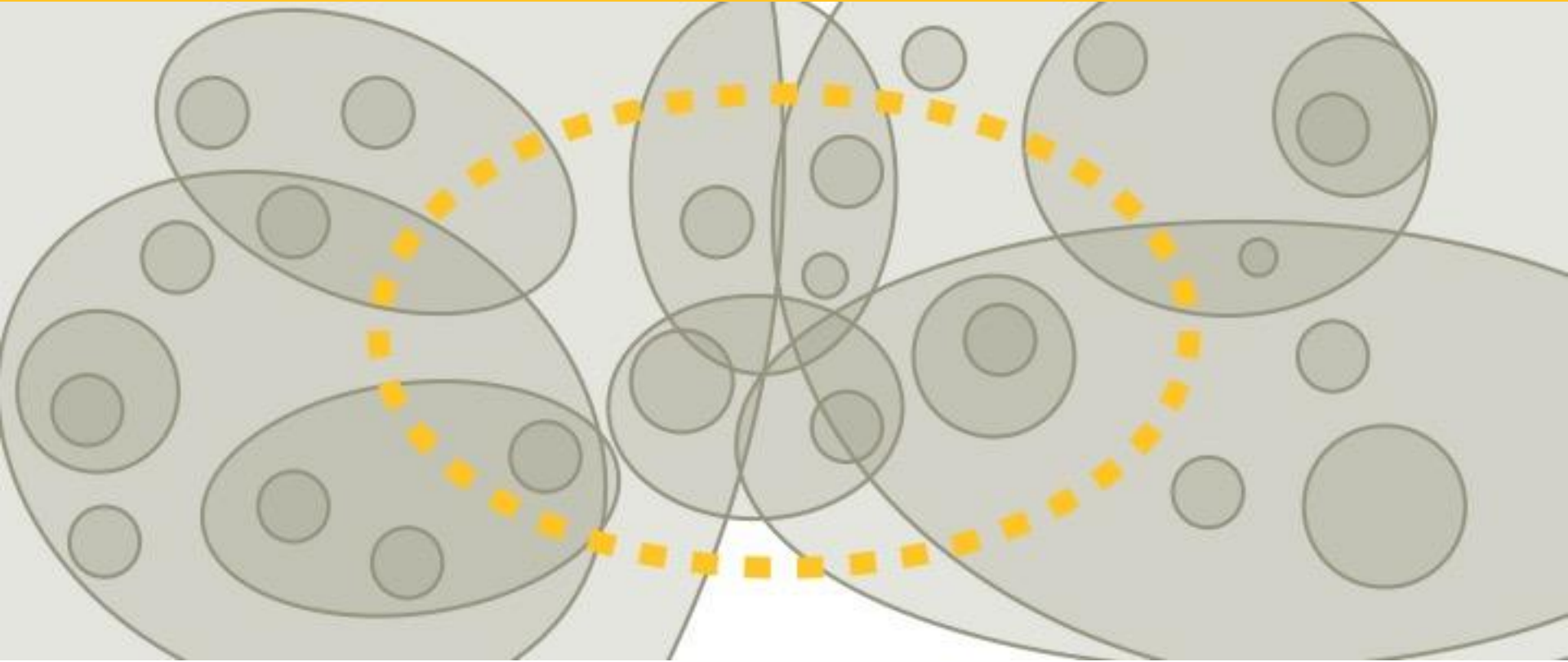
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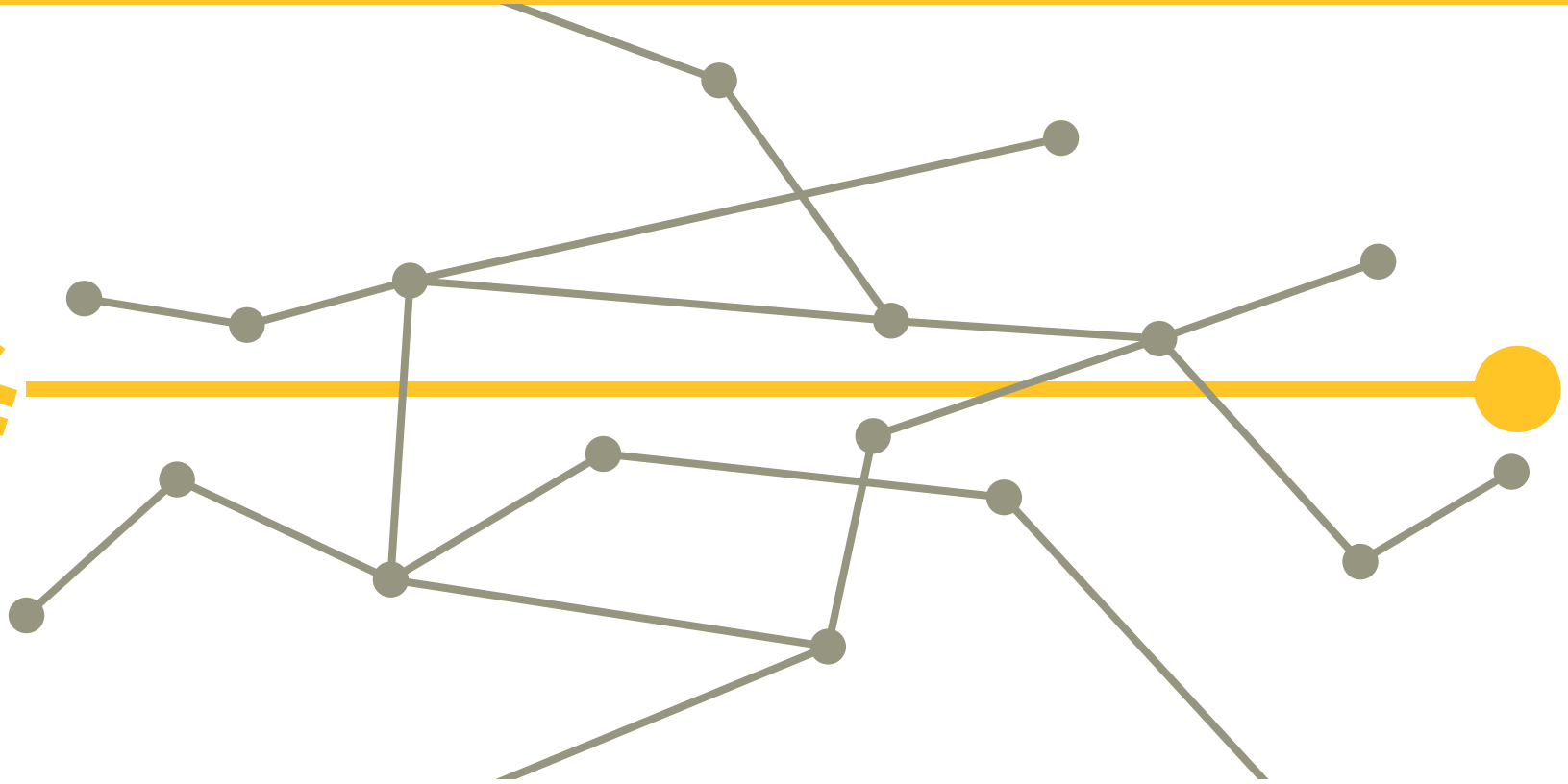
SINGLE “WHOLE”



MANY “WHOLES”



INFLUENCE-BASED



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LEARNINGS

- **Organizational Identity** – Different meanings to different stakeholders.
- **Tensions Between Institutional Logics** – Social justice, root causes, efficient action, planning and community accountability.
- **Coordination and Communication** – Essential across all stakeholders.
- **Ensuring Inclusivity** – Time consuming and complex, but critical to achieving objectives.
- **Funding** – Few programs support region-wide planning and collaboration activities.
- **Prioritization** – Immediate vs. Long-term efforts/projects.
- **Collaboration** – Traditional approach not always the most effective tool.

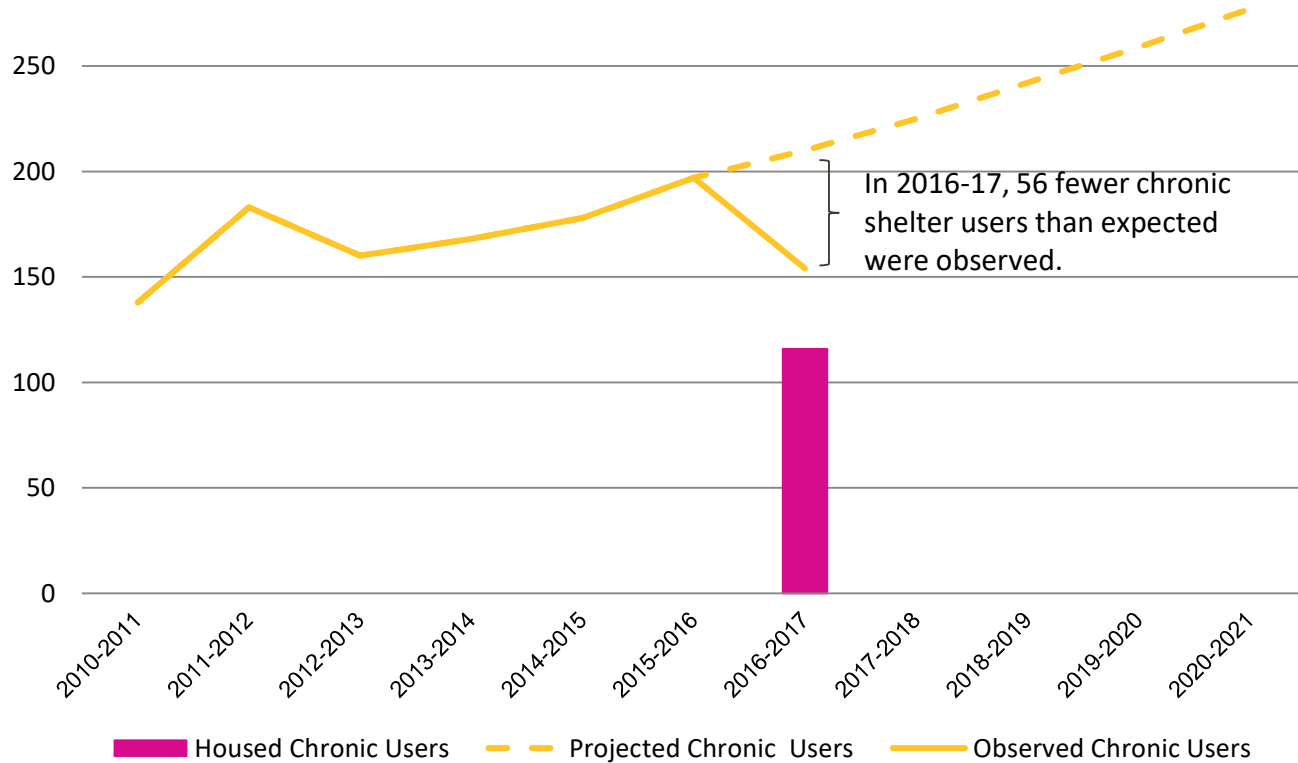


IMPACT

- Create Vision & Build Strategy
- Connect Stakeholders
 - Over 40 Member Organizations
 - 50 - 100 Individuals (PWLE)
- Guide & Align Funding
 - \$60 Million (Regional Housing First Program, 2016 - 2021)
 - \$3.96 Million (Homelessness Partnering Strategy, 2014 – 2019)
- Support Pilots & Projects
 - Homelessness Management Information System (HMIS)
 - Coordinated Assessment and Access (CAA)
 - Youth Task Force
- Leverage Resources
 - Foundations, Government of Canada
- Build Capacity



OUTCOME – CHRONIC HOMELESSNESS



- Presentation by:
 - Don Elliott, Coalition Executive Director