



United Way
Kingston, Frontenac
Lennox and Addington

2020-2021
Reaching Home: Canada's Homelessness Strategy
Administered by
United Way KFLA

APPLICATION INFORMATION

The United Way KFLA Community Advisory Board (CAB) is a committee of community stakeholders, individuals, government and local organizations committed to working collaboratively to eliminate homelessness, by gaining a better understanding of homelessness and developing & implementing strategies to this end. United Way KFLA is the Community Entity (CE) for Kingston, responsible for administering Reaching Home funding designated to our community through Employment and Social Development Canada.

DURATION: all projects must be completed by March 31, 2021

The United Way KFLA is seeking full submissions for projects within the geographic area of Kingston for the following:

PRIORITIES/OUTCOMES:

Priority - Housing Loss Prevention: by supporting individuals and families at imminent risk of homelessness before a crisis occurs. This includes supporting those who are currently housed but at-risk of losing their housing, as well as, preventing individuals who are being discharged from public systems (for example, health, corrections, and child welfare) from becoming homeless.

Priority - Housing Services: to improve the self-sufficiency of homeless individuals and families, and those at imminent risk of homelessness, through individualized services that lead into more stable, safe, appropriate and affordable housing (i.e.) transitional, supportive, permanent housing, Indigenous housing that reflect cultural values, beliefs and practices.

Priority - Capital Investments to preserve or increase the capacity of facilities: used to address the needs of people who are homeless or at imminent risk of homelessness, including those that support culturally appropriate programming for Indigenous individuals and families.

CLASS OF RECIPIENTS:

- Not for profit organizations
- For profit enterprises provided that the nature and intent of the activity is non-commercial, does not generate profit and fits within the community plan
- Municipal governments
- Public health and educational institutions
- Band/tribal councils and other Aboriginal organizations
- Health and Social Service organizations
- Research organizations

ELIGIBLE ACTIVITIES:

Priority 1: Housing Loss Prevention by supporting individuals and families at imminent risk of homelessness before a crisis occurs. This includes supporting those who are currently housed but at-risk of losing their housing, as well as, preventing individuals who are being discharged from public systems (for example, health, corrections, and child welfare) from becoming homeless.

- Discharge planning services for individuals being released from public systems (for example: health, corrections, child welfare)
- Help with retaining or obtaining housing, including shared housing.
- Landlord liaison and intervention to prevent eviction and preserve tenancy.
- Legal advice, advocacy and legal representation in order to avert eviction.
- Advice on budgeting, credit counseling and debt consolidation.
- Liaise and refer to appropriate resources.
- People remain housed at 3 months, 6 months and 12 months after intervention

** Populations at imminent risk of homelessness are defined as individuals or families whose current housing situation will end in the near future (for example, within 2 months) and for whom no subsequent residence has been established.

**Follow up with clients, and reporting on the status of their housing, is required at 3, 6, and 12 months after the intervention.

Priority 2: Housing Services: to improve the self-sufficiency of homeless individuals and families, and those at imminent risk of homelessness, through individualized services that lead into more stable, safe, appropriate and affordable housing (i.e.) transitional, supportive, permanent housing, Indigenous housing that reflect cultural values, beliefs and practices.

- Case Management is assigned (for individuals /families on the Housing First priority list).
- Preferences and needs for housing and type of supports are determined, and clients are assisted with their housing search.
- Housing placement is achieved by working with private and public local real estate, landlord associations, Indigenous home communities.
- Supports are provided for individuals/families placed into housing to help maintain housing.
- People remain housed at 3 months, 6 months and 12 months after intervention.
- Support is provided for re-housing, if necessary.

Priority 3: Capital Investments to preserve or increase the capacity of facilities: used to address the needs of people who are homeless or at imminent risk of homelessness, including those that support culturally appropriate programming for Indigenous individuals and families.

- New supportive housing units are created
- New emergency shelter beds are created
- New transitional housing beds are created
- New space is created (i.e.) to expand programming space for outreach workers & counselling, community hubs, resource centres, laundry, food, kitchen facilities, etc.

** Includes renovating, repurposing, purchasing of existing housing and non-residential facilities, and new construction.

PROJECT INFORMATION:

1. Project proposal must include:
 - an indication of future potential funding avenues and a plan for the project's sustainability beyond March 31, 2021 identifying the next phase of sustainability.
 - a detailed budget
 - a cash flow forecast
 - contact information
2. The successful program/project must collect data throughout the course of the Reaching Home funding and provide an analysis at the end of the funding period as a condition of project selection.
3. The United Way KFLA will provide an evaluation framework and evaluation tools for the project. The successful organization must prepare a Final Report including:
 - Activities & accomplishments of project against original priorities & criteria
 - Summary of project activities
 - Progress towards sustainability
 - Final evaluation
 - Final report to be presented to the United Way KFLA within 60 days of March 31, 2021

PROPOSAL INFORMATION:

- Projects will begin after April 1, 2020 and end by March 31, 2021
- Financial details on projects will be forthcoming upon project selection.
- Awarding of project will be dependent on funding from Service Canada.
- Awarding of project will also depend on best use of resources and past/ongoing cooperation with United Way KFLA.
- Any or all proposals may not be necessarily accepted.
- United Way KFLA reserves the right to modify any project without informing other applicants.
- Complete, signed application forms must be submitted to United Way KFLA by **1:00 pm, January 31, 2020.**

All projects must be submitted with a proper Application Form. Submitted proposals must be in a sealed envelope indicating the chosen Reaching Home priority.

INFORMATION SESSION: A Community Information Session will be held

Thursday, January 9, 2020 at 5:00 pm

United Way (Board Room)

417 Bagot Street, Kingston

Please RSVP if you plan on attending this session

For more information or to submit applications:

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