

Agenda

- 1. Homelessness & Shelter Update
- 2. Funding Update
- 3. Plan to Meet Immediate Housing Need
 - Immediate Temporary 24/7 Pandemic Accommodation
 - Short Term Bridge Accommodation
 - Medium Term New Modular Supportive Housing/ Converted Hotels



Homelessness & Shelter Update

- Overnight and emergency shelter services experienced significant service interruption due to COVID19
- Approximately 600 people are sleeping outside on any given night
- Organized encampments meet some of the needs of vulnerable people, but they are not viable solutions



Funding Update

- \$1 billion Rapid Housing Initiative to cover construction of modular housing, acquisition of land, and conversion of existing buildings to affordable housing.
- \$236.7 million one time operational top-up through Reaching Home to extend and expand the emergency response to the COVID-19 outbreak.
- \$688,000 through FCM for rapid bridge accommodation program.



Ongoing Response to Homelessness

Precariously housed people becoming homeless +180 people per month

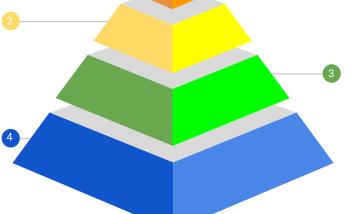
+180 people per month
2000 people currently experiencing chronic
homelessness (September 2020)

Short Term: Bridge Accommodation

Coliseum Inn Northlands Bridge Accommodation Leased Accommodation

Long Term: Affordable Housing

Affordable Housing Investment Plan 1193 of 2500 units completed



Encampments

Sleeping rough

Immediate: Accommodations

City-led pandemic temporary accommodation Provincially funded shelter Additional providers

Medium Term: Supportive Housing

Planned Supportive Housing sites (Modular)
Purchased Hotels/Additional Sites

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Immediate (City-led Accommodation),

Short Term (existing Bridge Accommodation)

Medium Term (new Modular/ Converted Hotels)

Establish City-led Temporary 24/7 Pandemic Accommodation

- Low barrier with day programming & meal service
- Addresses service gaps in existing GoA emergency shelters

Transition City-led temporary accommodation users to existing and expanded Bridge Accommodation

- Leased Bridge Accommodation
- Coliseum Inn
- Northlands Bridge Accommodation

House additional people in new Bridge Accommodation and Supportive Housing units

- Purchased and converted hotels or modular housing
- Leverage Federal Rapid Housing Initiative funding for supportive housing.



Immediate Temporary Accommodation

Activate a City of Edmonton led Temporary 24/7 Pandemic Accommodation by October 30

- Safe and helpful client experience
- Integrated with existing services
- City-led and community operated
- Accessible location
- Indigenous and culturally appropriate
- Trauma informed and low barrier



Short Term - Bridge Accommodation

Phased licensing/leasing of buildings

- Successful model piloted at Coliseum Inn
- Work to identify suitable properties underway
- Positive response from industry partners who want to be a part of the solution



Medium Term - Supportive & Affordable Housing

Work with partners to prepare submissions for Rapid Housing Initiative funding for:

- Modular supportive housing projects
- 2. Conversions of existing buildings to affordable housing



Considerations

- The City-led 24/7 Pandemic Accommodation is a temporary response to the service gaps created by COVID-19.
- Approach considers the work being undertaken by the Ministry of Social Services to expand shelter capacity.
- Federal funding allocations and details are not yet known.



Questions

