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Get ready to make a difference! End Homelessness Winnipeg is pleased to announce a call for session proposals for our inaugural event: Ending Homelessness Together.

Join us at the WAG-Qaumajuq and Delta Hotels Winnipeg from December 3rd - 5th, 2024, in Winnipeg for a transformative gathering. The event will bring together staff working in the sector and people with lived experience of homelessness, as well as government, landlords, and businesses who can contribute to homelessness solutions.

This event isn't just about discussion—it's about action. We're celebrating sector achievements, forging vital connections, and fostering collaborations that will redefine future services. Together, we'll build a comprehensive approach to ending homelessness through shared knowledge and actionable solutions.

Our 2024 theme is: *Acknowledging Truth and Working Towards Reconciliation*. With 75% of those experiencing homelessness identifying as Indigenous despite comprising only 14% of the city's population, it's time to confront the historical and contemporary factors driving this disparity head-on. Let's equip ourselves with the tools and strategies needed to rewrite these statistics and create a community where everyone has a place to call home.

Programming for the event will be guided by the medicine wheel: looking at homelessness symptoms and solutions through spiritual, emotional, physical, and mental lenses. We aim to offer a range of keynotes, panels, workshops, and creative sessions hosted by community leaders, decision-makers, people with lived experience of homelessness, and workers in the homelessness support sector.



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We welcome contributions that are focussed on, but not limited to the following topics:

- > Housing First philosophy, programs and practice-barriers and resources
- > Sector innovation
- > Principles of reconciliation & call to action No. 92
- > Integrating ceremony into healing practices, Indigenous ways of creating interventions
- > Intergenerational trauma
- > CFS (barriers, injustice, new process for aging out of care etc)
- > Landlord relations
- > Funding opportunities for housing or building including access to social housing, rent geared to income housing, housing supply
- > Encampments
- > Homelessness prevention

We are firmly committed to embedding Indigenous leadership and cultural perspectives at the core of this event's planning and execution. Indigenous presenters are particularly encouraged to apply and share their invaluable insights.

Successful submissions may have a particular focus on the contextual framework of Winnipeg homelessness, or international inspiration that could be applied in Manitoba. Sessions are planned to be 90-120 minutes in length, and for 50-250 participants. However; if you would like to share your knowledge at the event and prefer a different length or format please apply and tell us more. Folks are also welcome to submit two back-to-back sessions that complement each other.

Opportunities to table are also available please see [this link](#) to sign up.



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ABOUT END HOMELESSNESS WINNIPEG

End Homelessness Winnipeg derives its mandate from the [10-Year Plan to End Homelessness in Winnipeg](#), which was initiated in 2014. The cornerstone of this plan was the establishment of a non-profit organization entrusted with the leadership to combat homelessness within our city.

Embracing a collaborative approach alongside existing services, this novel entity is unequivocally committed to eradicating homelessness. Central to our mission is the imperative to foster collaboration across systems, deeply engage with both the community and government sectors, and integrate the invaluable insights of individuals with Lived Experience of homelessness, Indigenous leaders, community organizations, as well as philanthropic and private entities.

Founded in 2015, End Homelessness Winnipeg opened its doors to embark on this transformative journey. In 2019, a pivotal evolution took place as End Homelessness Winnipeg transitioned into an Indigenous organization, reinforcing our dedication to inclusivity, cultural sensitivity, and addressing the unique challenges faced by Indigenous individuals experiencing homelessness.

Since April 1, 2019, End Homelessness Winnipeg has served as Winnipeg's Community Entity (CE), stewarding funds for [Reaching Home: Canada's Homelessness Strategy](#). The Government of Canada directs federal funding for communities across Canada to support their efforts addressing local needs and specific homelessness priorities. End Homelessness Winnipeg's role as CE, as defined by The Government of Canada, is to:

- > Solicit funding proposals for community projects to prevent or reduce homelessness
- > Approve projects recommended by the Community Advisory Board in accordance with program terms and conditions
- > Contract and monitor all projects
- > Work with community stakeholders to oversee the development and implementation of a systems-based approach to addressing homelessness
- > Support a transition to an outcomes-based approach
- > Collect and share data and information
- > Report on the results and outcomes of all funded projects
- > Monitor and report on the development, implementation and success of a community plan including identified gaps in services that have been filled and those remaining, new partnerships forged, and extent to which priorities have been met through sub-projects.



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HOW TO SUBMIT

To submit, please submit a proposal that is no more than 1-2 pages that includes:

- > A biography: a brief introduction of yourself, your group, or your organization.
- > A resume or cover letter describing your experience leading similar workshops/presentations
- > Proposal: a detailed description of your proposal, including the topic, objective, and structure of your session.
- > Requirements: a description of what you need to conduct your session such as travel, accommodation, and A/V requirements.

Please upload your proposals to [this google form](#).

If you have any questions, please contact: Conference@endhomelessnesswinnipeg.ca

Deadline for Submission: September 1st, 2024

Confirmation of Programming: September 26th, 2024