

SOMEWHERE TO GO

WHO IS UNSHELTERED?

- 124 people without a home, ~ 430 people experiencing “hidden homelessness”
- The “unsheltered” are primarily Indigenous, seniors, youth aging out of care, people facing substance use or mental health challenges, women fleeing violence, and people in the 2SLGBTQIA+ community
- The “face” of homelessness is continuing to grow, age, and change; Point-in-Time counts only provide a glimpse into the unsheltered community

RECOMMENDATIONS

WHAT IS OBVIOUS TO SOME

IS LESS OBVIOUS TO OTHERS



Meals



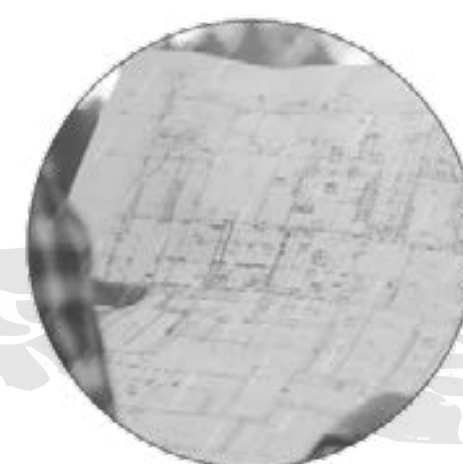
Laundry Services



Safe Storage



Showers & Hygiene Services



Design & Layout



Specialized Engagement



Peer-led Practice

BURNABY'S CHOICES



A PARTNERSHIP

The City of Burnaby could partner with the Society to End Homelessness (STEH), providing financial support and a space for the society to operate out of. A partnership between the City of Burnaby and STEH would be mutually beneficial. The City could delegate day-to-day operations to a trusted organization with established rapport with the unsheltered community. STEH's deep understanding of the local context and expertise positions them well to lead service delivery.



RESTORE THE HUB

The Burnaby Outreach and Housing Hub (“the HUB”) was operating under the management of Progressive Housing Society before it was forced to close its doors in 2023 due to depletion of funding. The City could restore this facility and enhance programming to better meet the needs of the current unsheltered population. This is a viable solution as the site and building already exist, the HUB was previously successful in providing day programming and services for unsheltered community members.



EXPANSION OF EXISTING PROGRAMMING

This option involves offering services through established public spaces, such as the Edmonds Community Centre, the Nikkei National Museum and Cultural Centre, or the Tommy Douglas Library. Expanding existing programming through community centres not only improves the accessibility and range of services, but also fosters a sense of belonging, reduces stigma, and builds a stronger support network. These are key factors in addressing the root causes and challenges of homelessness.