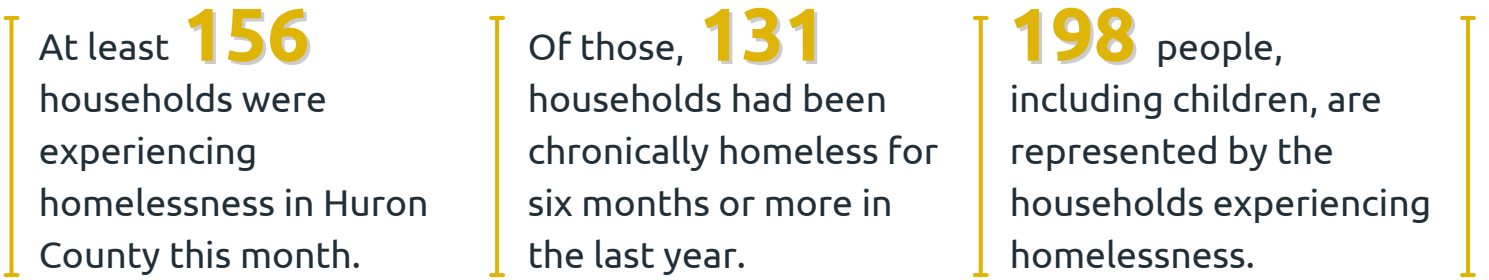


# Huron Housing and Homelessness Monthly Share-Out

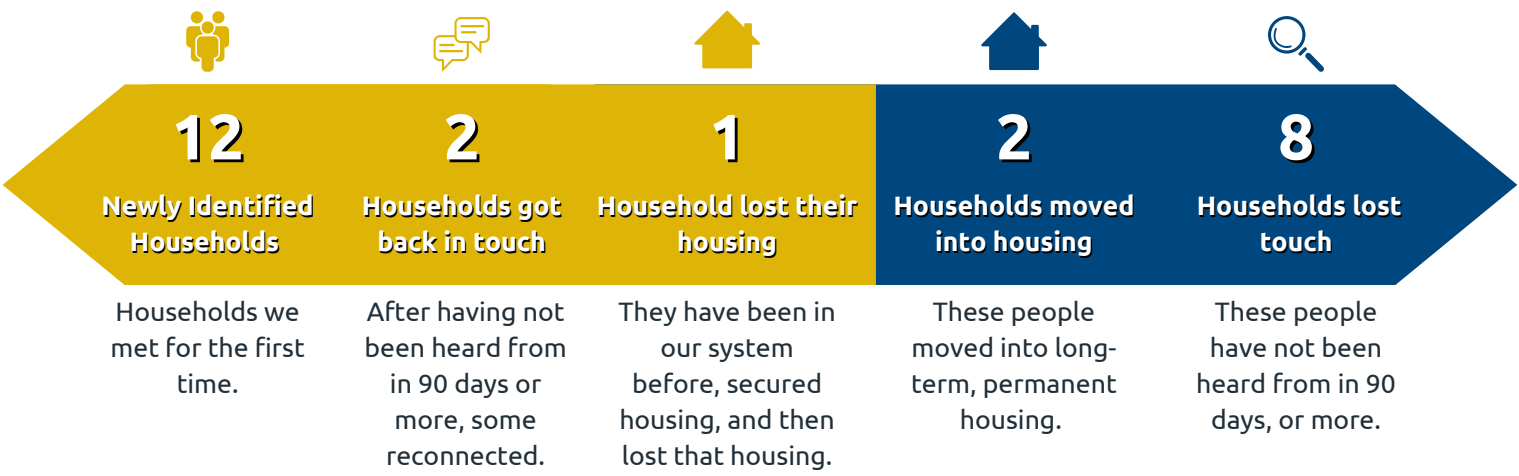
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Previous Month's Share-Outs

Huron's Housing and Homelessness Serving System is a group of agencies and programs that coordinate to provide housing and support to people experiencing housing insecurity and homelessness.



**Inflow:** People entering homelessness. **Outflow:** People exiting homelessness.



## Population Specific Data



\*Numbers In This Report Only Represent Households That Are Active and Consenting To Being On The Huron County By-Name List\*

### Myth: Homeless encampments are a lifestyle choice.

Encampments are **not a safe or sustainable solution** for housing. For people living in encampments, every day may be a matter of life and death. Encampments are often people's only housing option, or the only option that meets their needs for safety, security, and dignity, due to a lack of affordable housing and limited support services. Encampments exist only because of **a larger, systemic failure** to uphold the right of all people to adequate housing without discrimination.

To learn more about the Federal Housing Advocate's review of homeless encampments and Canada's National Encampment Response Plan, please visit: [Final Report](#).





# How can we begin to help individuals in Huron County who are living in encampments?



## Review the Data:

- Having **accurate, real-time data** allows the Huron Housing and Homelessness Serving System to understand the number of households who are living unsheltered in Huron County.
- Data from the Huron County By-Name List shows an alarming increase in homelessness, with a significant proportion of individuals experiencing chronic homelessness and struggling with complex health issues. This presents **a need for innovative and integrated solutions** that can **address both the health and housing needs** of this vulnerable population.

## Collaborate:

- **The County of Huron** (Huron County Community Paramedics and Housing and Homelessness Services), **CMHA Huron Perth**, and **Huron OPP** have taken a collaborative approach that will aim to address the needs of individuals experiencing homelessness, particularly those with complex health challenges, by creating a mobile **Community Paramedic Homelessness Outreach Team**.
- The Team will move between encampments across Huron County and implement **a Social Prescribing approach** to address not only immediate medical needs, but also, connect individuals with support that can stabilize underlying social challenges, reduce repeat emergency room visits, and improve mental health outcomes. The goal is to **leverage existing resources** creatively while **expanding access to essential services**.

## Create Meaningful Impact:

- This initiative is built on evidence that **addressing social determinants of health** is key to improving health and housing outcomes for those most in need. Research has shown that social prescribing may also **reduce** primary care doctor and emergency department service demands.

*This initiative was made possible, in part, by funding from Healthcare Excellence Canada. Huron County is 1 of 30 teams nationwide to be successful in the application for this funding.*

### What is Community Paramedicine?

Community Paramedicine is an innovative model of care where Paramedics provide non-emergency care and preventative services in an upstream approach, often in the patient's home or a community setting.



### What is Social Prescribing?

Social prescribing is a means for health-care workers to connect patients to a range of non-clinical services in the community to improve the underlying causes of a patient's health and well-being, as opposed to strictly treating symptoms.

—Source

To learn more about Huron County's Community Paramedicine Program, please visit: [CP Program](#).

**When everyone has a safe and affordable place to call home,  
our whole community benefits.**



**Be Part of the Solution.**

**Say YES to supportive and affordable housing in your neighbourhood!**

