





Regional Coordination of the Response to Homelessness in Metro Vancouver

 <p>Greater Vancouver Regional Steering Committee on Homelessness</p>	<p>The Regional Steering Committee on Homelessness (RSCH) developed and oversees the implementation of 3 Ways to Home, the Regional Homelessness Plan for Greater Vancouver. The Plan has guided the provision of services and shelter to people who are homeless or at-risk of homelessness in Metro Vancouver since 2000. The RSCH includes over 40 members representing service providers, community-based organizations and all levels of government.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>Contact: Regional Homelessness Secretariat judy.roberts (at) metrovancouver.org 604-451-6065</i></p>
 <p>Aboriginal Homelessness Steering Committee</p>	<p>The Aboriginal Homelessness Steering Committee is an inclusive committee of organizations working to coordinate the regional response to homelessness in the Aboriginal community. The AHSC makes funding recommendations under the Homelessness Partnering Strategy's Urban Aboriginal Homelessness funding stream. These organizations also play an important role in the Extreme Weather Response.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>Contact: Lu'ma Native Housing Society homelessness (at) lnhs.ca 604-876-0736</i></p>
 <p>Greater Vancouver Shelter Strategy</p>	<p>The Greater Vancouver Shelter Strategy (GVSS) is a regional network of organizations working together to meet the needs of people who are homeless or at risk. Activities include shelter service coordination, mentoring of new services, networking, public communication regarding available services, and preparation of evaluation reports (including annual statistical summaries) and biannual service plans.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>Contact: James Pratt James (at) prattconsulting.ca 250-920-7826</i></p>
 <p>Greater Vancouver Shelter Strategy Extreme Weather Response</p>	<p>The Extreme Weather Response is an emergency response to prevent harm to homeless people resulting from extreme weather. Extreme weather programs in 8 Metro Vancouver communities add approximately 600 shelter spaces for use during extreme weather periods.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>Contact: Mary MacDougall extremeweather (at) privacemail.com 604-603-5019</i></p>