Give. Volunteer. Act.

# **Good Morning!**

# Youth CI – Lanark Consortium Update

September 7<sup>th</sup>, 2017



# What is . . .



An innovative Collective Impact program supported by:









# What is . . . Collective Impact

A framework for collaborative roundtables focused on impacting complex community challenges



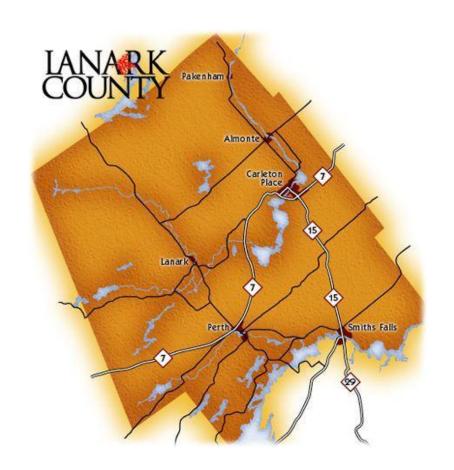




Implementation Grant Application

Lanark County
Consortium

Submission: July 2017 Approval: August 2017



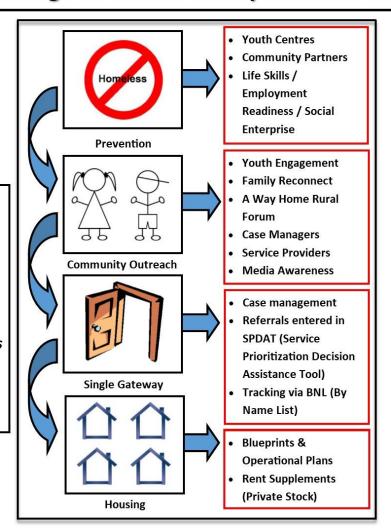


#### Theory of Change for Lanark County & Smiths Falls

Integrated efforts on "Housing First" Model

# Target Beneficiaries

Youth (16-25) in
Lanark County
and Smiths Falls
who are homeless
or at risk of
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homeless



#### Intended

#### Outcome

To provide
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#### Impact Statement:

To provide every **young person in need** in Lanark County and Smiths Falls, with **safe and affordable housing** and **supportive services** within 10 days of being **self-identified**, by Fall 2019

#### **Definitions:**

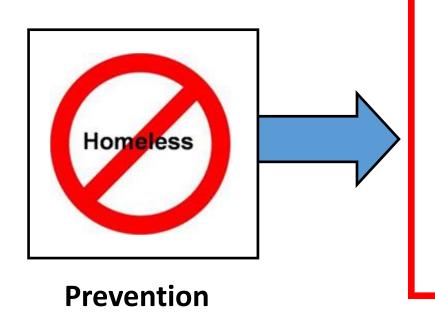
**Young person in need**: a youth aged 16-25 in Lanark County who is homeless or at risk of becoming homeless.

**Safe and affordable housing**: defined by the Canadian Observatory on Homelessness (COH) as housing that is affordable, safe, adequately maintained, accessible and suitable in size for the individual or family involved.

**Supportive services**: services required by youth to meet their basic needs and to build skills and improve health and well-being.

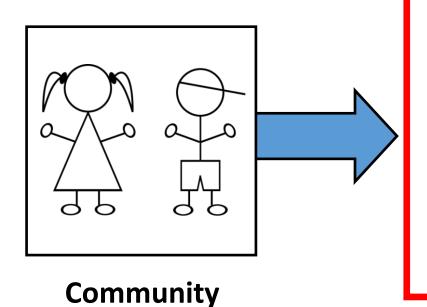
**Self-identified**: means a youth who has self-identified to the Lanark Housing and Homelessness Case Manager by a defined process from any one of the Supportive Service Providers in Lanark County and Smiths Falls.





- Youth Centres
- Community Partners
- Life Skills
- Employment Readiness
- Social Enterprise

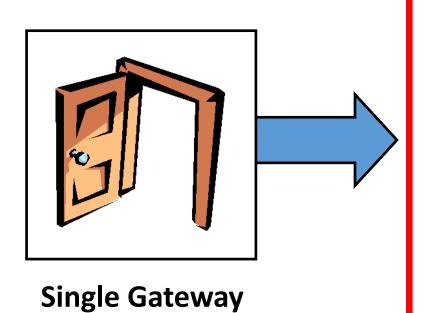




**Outreach** 

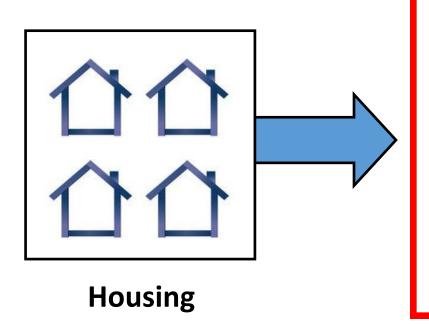
- Youth Engagement
- Family Reconnect
- Rural Forum
- Case Managers
- Service Providers
- Media Awareness





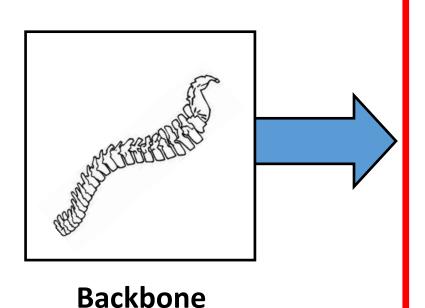
- Case management
- Referrals entered in SPDAT (Service Prioritization Decision Assistance Tool)
- Tracking via BNL (By Name List)





- Blueprints & Operational Plans
- Rent Supplements (Private Stock
- Housing build submissions (MCSC)
- LCIH Second Stage



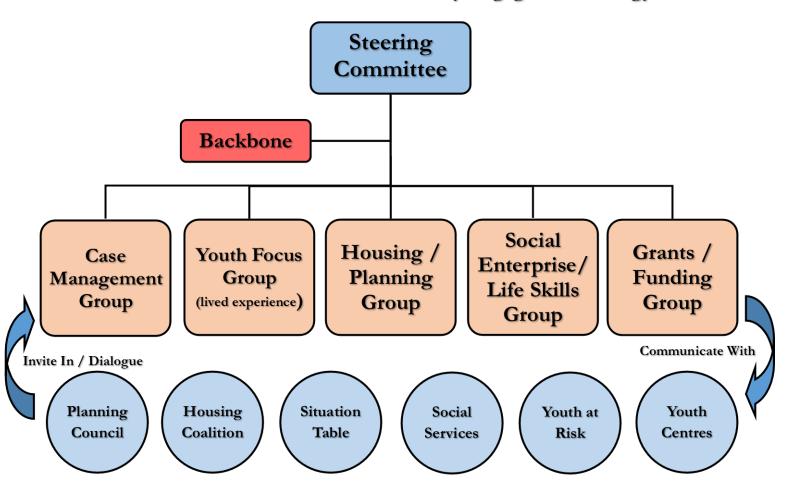


- UWLC Financial Administration
- Coordinator(s)
  - Grant Writing
  - Schedule
  - Communication
  - Media Liaison
- Staff Support
  - CI & RD



#### **Lanark County Consortium**

Governance Structure and Community Engagement Strategy





Lanark County Youth have access to consistent opportunities to engage in life skills and employment readiness programs

#### Career Training

**Funder:** Service Canada Partners: United Way and several youth service agencies across

Eastern Ontario

Backbone: UWO

Local Service Provider Lead: YAK

Grant being submitted in 2017 for project in 2018, 2019, 2020.

Trained, skilled employment ready youth paid wages during program for 20 week intervals over 3 years,

### (Skills Link)

#### Career Training

Group Based Employment Programs And Work Placement in local businesses

# Volunteer • Opportunities

Spontaneous Organised To promote community involvement and skill building

> Community & family engagement at all stages

#### Volunteer Opportunities

Spontaneous activities available at/through each service agency across Lanark County. Organised opportunities tracked through the Volunteer Opportunity database at UWLC.

Youth given gift cards and field trips as incentives for participation. Youth interested in moving onward are encouraged to participate in further workshops and programs.

# Certifications & Workshops

Safe Food Handling Customer Service WHMIS Smart Serve Fall Arrest First Aid CPR C AED

#### Certifications & Workshops

Certifications and Workshops that help youth to become more employment ready are offered at no cost or low cost. Local funding for these programs at YAK in the past 5 years has come from:

- PDCF
- Perth Rotary Club
- Dare to Dream
- Lanark County/CHPI
- Ministry of Community Safety

#### First Work Programs

Possible Funders: **Youth CI, OTF and net income** generated by the Social Enterprise is returned to the agency for operational costs.

Start up UWLC and EODP funding in place

Youth are trained to work in a variety of positions that increase in time, responsibility and wages as they gain experience.

#### First Work Programs

Social Enterprises
Food Service Retail

Workshops for employers who hire young workers

#### Life Skills Program & Workshops

YWCA The Fourth R Project Upstream

#### Life Skills Program & Workshops

Modelled after former Skills Link Community
Development Program. Youth paid wages during 6
month program. Program based on existing and
proven curriculum. Possible partners could include.

Possible Funders: Youth CL. OTF

proven curriculum. Possible partners could include: United Way Ottawa - application to the Province in conjunction with Skills Link application Community Living Association of Lanark County

Ontario Works



#### Partners in the Collaborative

We received a commitment from the following organizations to be active participants in our Youth CI project:

- Algonquin College Employment Services, Perth, ON
- Children's Resources on Wheels
- County of Lanark
- Lanark County Community Justice Program, Inc, Perth, ON
- Lanark County Interval House
- Lanark County Victim Services
- Lanark Highlands Youth Centre Inc., Lanark, ON
- Ontario Provincial Police Lanark County
- Ontario Works Lanark County & Smiths falls
- Open Doors for Lanark Children and Youth
- Situation Table, Lanark County, ON
- Smiths Falls Police Services
- United Way Lanark County
- YAK Youth Services, Perth, ON



#### Partners in the Collaborative

Agencies that have expressed interest in collaboration include:

- Big Brothers Big Sisters Lanark County
- CORE-Carleton Place Youth Centre, Carleton Place, ON
- Community Living Association of Lanark County
- Lanark County Mental Health
- Mills Community Support Corporation, (Almonte), Mississippi Mills, ON
- Mississippi Mills Youth Centre (Almonte), Mississippi Mills, ON
- North Lanark Community Health Centre
- Perth Seniors Co-Housing Initiative, Perth, ON
- Smiths Falls & District Youth Centre, Smiths Falls, ON



#### **Next Steps:**

- Convene Steering Committee Meeting set for Oct 4<sup>th</sup> @ 9:30, Carleton Place
- Review \$150,000 budget for to solidify allocations/divisions
  - Move forward on specific items
- Establish the Governance Model for the Collaborative
  - Seek members for each group
    - Case Management / Youth Focus / Housing & Planning / Social Enterprise & Life Skills / Grants & Funding
- Discuss additional partners/stakeholders
- Review Privacy issue
- Discuss BNL Portion & County of Lanark 2018 Count
  - Projects for BNL funds allocation (\$25K)
  - Update on BNL Travel expenses (\$20K)
- Reassess plan for Ontario Trillium Grant Collective Impact Application
- Set plan for next Youth CI Report due March 2018





# Lanark County Consortium

Thank you!

