



Canadian veterans have courageously served our country and deserve a safe and affordable place to call home. In many cases, however, long-standing service-related disabilities or mental health and substance use issues can make it difficult for veterans to secure and maintain housing.

Today, Minister Hussen and Minister MacAulay announced that our government is investing \$79.1 Million to launch the Veterans Homelessness program. This dedicated program will provide ongoing and comprehensive services and supports to veterans experiencing or at risk of experiencing homelessness over a five-year period to maximize their chances of long-term success in being rehoused. It is designed to complement existing federal programming.

As part of the National Housing Strategy's suite of initiatives, the Veteran Homelessness Program will provide \$72.9 million through two streams. The Services and Supports Stream will provide rent supplements and "wrap-around" services, such as counselling and treatment for substance use. The Capacity Building Stream will fund research on veteran homelessness and support capacity building.

Eligible organizations can find more information and apply for funding on the online portal available on the [Infrastructure Canada](https://www.infrastructurecanada.ca) website. The portal will remain open for 8 weeks starting on April 28<sup>th</sup>, 2023, and is expected to close on June 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2023.

While we continue to work with our partners in our pursuit to end chronic homelessness, we remain steadfast in our commitment to ensure no veterans go homeless again.

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