



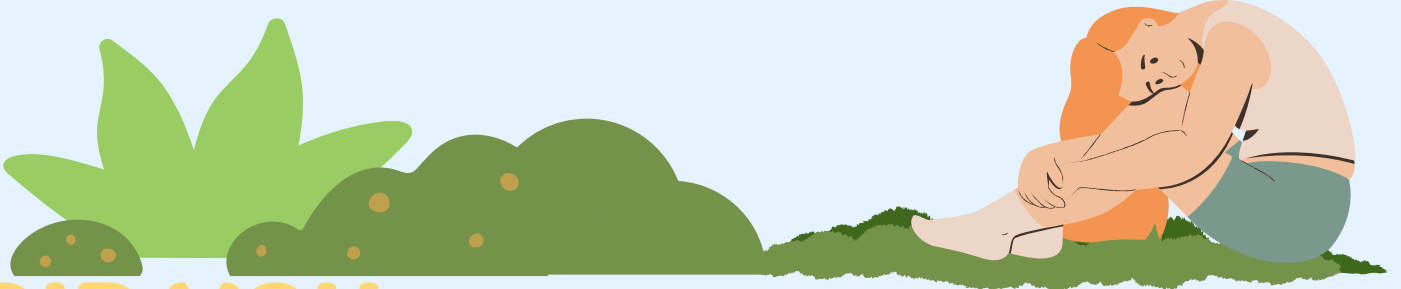
# OUR RIGHT



# TO HOUSING

*The Canadian Government's failure to adequately address housing needs and homelessness has created a human rights crisis...*

it has trapped marginalized women and gender diverse people in situations of abuse, separated us from our children, deepened our poverty, dislocated us from our lands & traditions, and eroded our dignity.

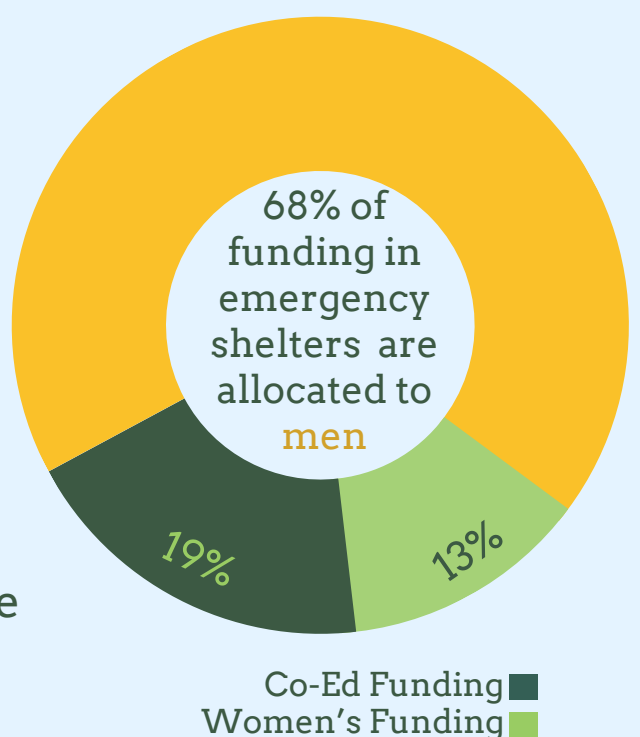


## DID YOU KNOW?

The leading cause of women's homelessness nationwide is break-up.

## WHAT RIGHTS ARE BEING VIOLATED?

- gender-based *funding inequities* in the homelessness sector
- *discriminatory impacts* in funding choices
  - Federal housing investments are not reaching women in deep poverty and in core housing need
- the definition of homelessness in policy *does not* reflect the unique experiences of women and gender-diverse people



## WHERE DO WE GO FROM HERE?

\*the terms below are in Ojibwa/Anishninaabemowin\*

*Through the learnings of Shkagamik-Kwe (Mother Earth), Kiiwendinong (The White Eyebrows Society) and other Indigenous Aki (Land) teachings, we as a society can learn to:*

- **better understand** forms of homelessness and how Indigenous populations have come to be homeless on their native land; and
- **bridge the gap** between truth and reconciliation by settlers learning how housing is key to Indigenous sovereignty



*Other ways we can advocate...*

- **National Consultations** & virtual database of testimony to support communities to develop claims to the Federal Housing Advocate
- **Strategically Mobilizing** the Women's National Homelessness Network Claim to advance local and regional goals to address the housing needs of women and gender diverse people
  - **Provide Information, Materials, & Tools** to support and educate communities on the right to housing for women and gender-diverse people to create a pathway for accountability

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