Housing & Homelessness Prevention

The District of Thunder Bay Social Services Administration Board (TBDSSAB) manages the **community housing** and **homelessness prevention** system in the District of Thunder Bay.

As Service Manager, our Integrated Social Services division assists individuals and families by offering **affordable housing and rent supports**. We also work with community organizations and the emergency shelter system to support **initiatives that aim to address homelessness** throughout our district.

System Overview

The Homelessness Prevention Program (HPP)

is a provincially funded program that aims to prevent, reduce, and address homelessness. Through HPP, TBDSSAB funds multiple homelessness prevention initiatives, including supportive housing, community outreach and support services, housing assistance and emergency shelter solutions.

HPP Funding Categories:

- Housing Supports / Supportive Housing
- · Community Outreach
- Emergency Shelter Solutions
- Housing Assistance



\$54M allocated toward community housing and homelessness prevention programs for 2023.



4,400+ housing units funded through TBDSSAB, housing about 7,500 people throughout the District of Thunder Bay.



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2023 Highlights*



Through the 2023/2024 HPP allocation, TBDSSAB invested over \$9.3M toward Transitional and **Supportive Housing capital projects** that will support individuals in the transition from homelessness to independent living.



TBDSSAB has invested \$2.8M in homelessness supports and outreach services to connect unhoused individuals to services and housing.



TBDSSAB allocated \$1.6M towards emergency shelters. So far in 2023, there have been 21,048 shelter bed nights used.



There are 54 people on the High Needs Homeless (HNH) wait list, which prioritizes individuals experiencing chronic homelessness. So far in 2023, 31 people have transitioned into housing.



There are 1,315 applicants on TBDSSAB's centralized housing waitlist for a rent-geared-to-income unit in the District of Thunder Bay.

*Stats as of September 30, 2023



TBDSSAB is a community housing provider and landlord.



TBDSSAB directly owns and operates a total of **2,493 units** throughout 303 different buildings.



Tenant Support Workers (TSWs) support tenants and help them access the supports they need to stay successfully housed. So far in 2023 there have been **6,165 TSW** supports provided with the goal of preserving tenancies.

Affordable Housing is an important part of the homelessness prevention service system, with different resources and funding streams. For more information about TBDSSAB's housing programs, including Rent Geared to Income and other rent support programs, visit: www.tbdssab.ca