

Indigenous Youth Homelessness

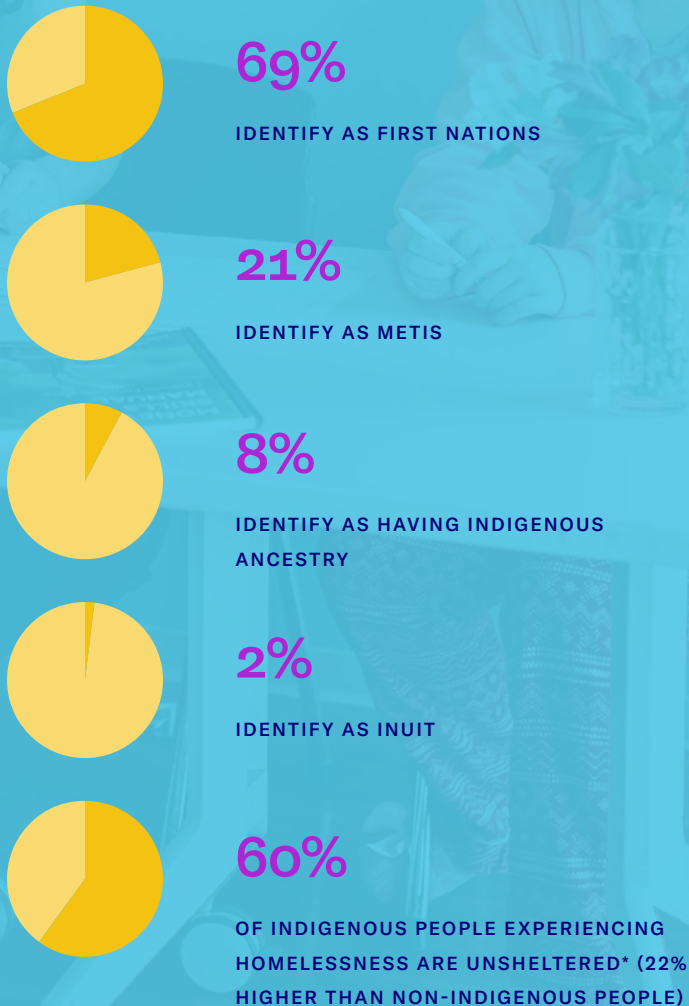
At Covenant House Vancouver and Beyond

Across BC¹

While only 6% of BC's total population are Indigenous (according to the 2016 Census), about 39% of people experiencing homelessness self-identify as Indigenous.

Indigenous individuals continue to experience homelessness at a massively disproportionate rate.

Of these Indigenous people experiencing homelessness, approximately:



At Covenant House Vancouver in 2021...



29%

OF YOUTH ACROSS ALL COVENANT HOUSE VANCOUVER PROGRAMS SELF-IDENTIFIED AS INDIGENOUS

Outreach



196

OUR OUTREACH TEAM SERVED 196 INDIVIDUAL INDIGENOUS YOUTH



95

OF THESE YOUTH WERE NEW TO OUR PROGRAMS AND SERVICES

1. Source: The Homelessness Services Association of BC (2021). 2020/21 Report on Homeless Counts in B.C. Prepared for BC Housing. Burnaby, BC.

*Unsheltered means these individuals are sleeping outside, in a vehicle, or are couch surfing

Drop-in and Outreach



39%

OF YOUTH THAT ACCESSED OUR DROP-IN CENTRE OR WERE SUPPORTED BY OUR OUTREACH TEAM ARE INDIGENOUS

Crisis Program



54

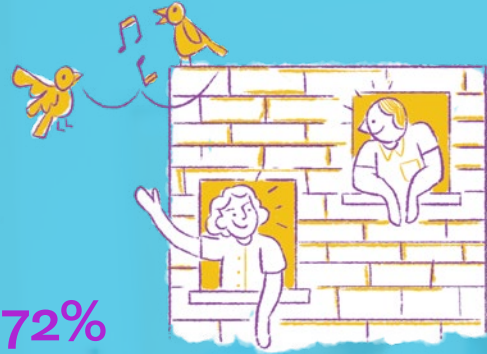
INDIGENOUS YOUTH STAYED IN OUR CRISIS PROGRAM



24

THE AVERAGE LENGTH OF STAY FOR THESE YOUTH WAS 24 DAYS

Outcomes



72%

OF INDIGENOUS YOUTH INVOLVED WITH OUR CASE MANAGEMENT AND/OR HOUSING SUPPORT PROGRAMS DEMONSTRATED AN ABILITY TO IMPROVE OR MAINTAIN HOUSING



75%

OF INDIGENOUS YOUTH INVOLVED WITH OUR CASE MANAGEMENT PROGRAM DEMONSTRATED IMPROVEMENT IN THEIR ABILITY TO MANAGE THEIR MENTAL HEALTH

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