

Collaborative Housing Research Network



WINTER 2023 NEWSLETTER

Balanced Supply of Housing Updates**Thank you**

We are so grateful for all of your support

Happy holidays everyone! This past year was a pivotal chapter for BSH and we extend our heartfelt gratitude that you shared it with us. In 2023, we funded four innovative research projects and introduced the Catalyzing Housing Research Grant. Our team also witnessed remarkable growth with the addition of new partners, co-investigators, and students.

In our commitment to spotlighting the exceptional work of our team, we launched the six-part "Research in Progress" webinar series. Additionally, we continued our collaboration with Spacing Radio, releasing four more episodes that helped push our work to a broader audience. Culminating the year's achievements, our inaugural in-person workshop took place in Montreal, Quebec, where our nationwide team convened to network, collaborate, and strategize the future steps of BSH.

With a year filled with fulfilling work, incredible people, and some amazing research outputs, we can't help but be excited for 2024. Envisioning yet another great year, we look forward to more webinars, in-person workshops, podcasts, research projects and more with this outstanding BSH team.

Thank you so much for sharing your insights and enthusiasm in so many big and small ways this past year. Wishing you a much-deserved rest this holiday season. See you again in 2024!

With warmest wishes,

Alex Flynn, BSH Director

The Overhead Podcast:

Understanding Canada's Affordable Housing Crisis.



Over the last two years, we've had the privilege of collaborating with Spacing Radio to craft a unique podcast series. This series takes a deep dive into the multifaceted factors contributing to Canada's current affordable housing crisis. Each episode explores topics such as the financialization of housing, the immense consequences this crisis upholds, including the barriers faced by women fleeing violence, and the innovative solutions to curb this ongoing crisis—particularly community land trusts.

Each episode features a diverse range of voices, including housing researchers, community partners, practitioners, and emerging scholars in the field. With representatives from our amazing BSH team stepping up to share their knowledge, we take great pride in the release of 8 engaging podcasts to date. As we reflect on our accomplishments, we eagerly anticipate another engaging set of episodes in 2024.

[Listen Here](#)

Working towards a Balanced Supply of Housing
See what else we have going on:



Earlier this year Silas Xuereb and Craig Jones released their report “Estimating No-Fault Evictions in Canada: Understanding BC’s Disproportionate Eviction Rate in the 2021 Canadian Housing Survey.” This research brief aims to highlight the key takeaways from the report, including the exceptional rate of no-fault evictions across Canada and particularly in British Columbia.

Late last month, in collaboration with the Canadian Network of Community Land Trusts (CNCLT), we held our first in-person CLT workshop. This workshop brought together representatives from across Canada to discuss the role of CLT’S, a legal definition for CLT’s, and how to navigate calls for Land Back, decolonization, and cultural competency within the CLT model.

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Spring Workshop

2024 Workshop towards a Balanced Supply of Housing



YOU'RE INVITED TO OUR
2024 WORKSHOP
FOR A
BALANCED SUPPLY OF HOUSING

MAY 28, 29, 30
TORONTO, ONTARIO



We are so excited to announce that the dates for our 2024 workshop are confirmed! Join us from May 28th to May 30th in Toronto, Ontario to discuss what it takes to work towards a Balanced Supply of Housing. With a thrilling mix of the BSH team, partner organizations, emerging housing scholars, and invited guest speakers, we are anticipating 3-days of meaningful discussions, engaging presentations, and networking.

Stay tuned for more information.



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Breaking Ground: a panel on public land for community housing

Public land has become a lightning rod in the housing conversation in Canada. With millions of units to build, and rising costs of land, construction, and labour, why aren't we using land that is already in the public trust? In this panel, experts will discuss what public land exists, how we currently use it, and what's stopping us from leveraging this resource to its full extent.



In-depth Housing Needs Assessments

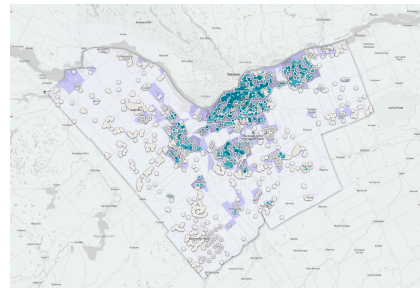
We continue to provide custom housing needs reports and data for communities that have applied to the **Housing Accelerator Fund**, or who are hoping to apply for other funding through the government, including the **Permanent Transit Fund**.



Canadian cities report rise in homelessness and in tent fires as winter sets in

HART's Alexandra Flynn on why removing encampments isn't the answer to fire safety in the winter.

[Read here](#)



Public lands hold the key to Canada's housing crisis.

An op-ed from HART's Alexandra Flynn on public land use in the housing crisis.

[Read here](#)



HART at the Open Data Summit

Watch our session at the Open Data Summit entitled Open Doors and Open Data: how data can help resolve the housing crisis.

[Watch here](#)



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Resource Tools
(HART)**



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