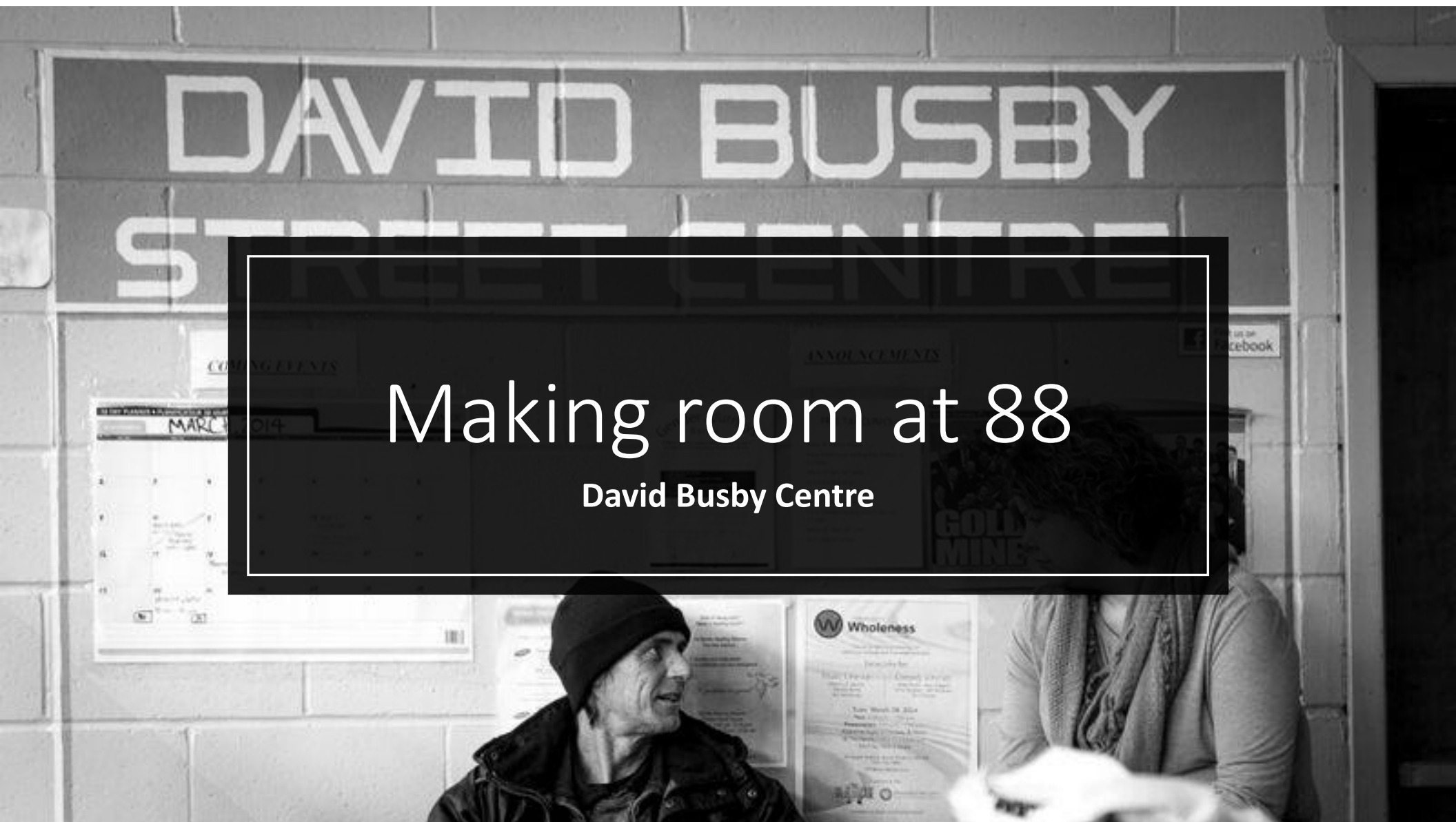


# DAVID BUSBY STREET CENTRE

## Making room at 88

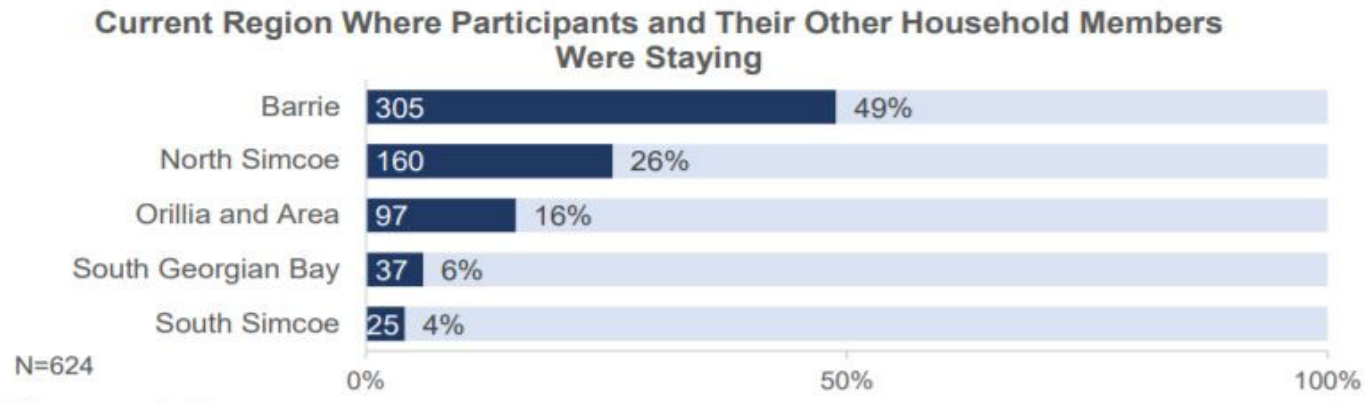
David Busby Centre



# Why is this Project Important?

**Opening the doors at 88 Mulcaster was the next step in implementing a coordinated response to homelessness in our community.**

- **697** persons experiencing homelessness in Simcoe County in April 2018



- 42% reported staying in emergency shelter
- 12% were unsheltered – 84 people!

**Our next Homelessness Enumeration will be held April 21<sup>st</sup>-23<sup>rd</sup>, 2020**

# Review & Update

**February 3, 2014** General Committee passes a motion endorsing the Barrie Pathways project, with a key focus on a shared facility and a coordinated approach to addressing homelessness.

**October 2014** 88 – 90 Mulcaster Street was purchased by CMHA to support the Pathways vision. David Busby Street Centre moved into the building as part of phase one following a successful renovation project.

**2016** CMHA program staff moved into the building as part of the next phase.

**May 2018** After many unexpected delays, Busby Centre gains the upper level of 88 Mulcaster Street as next phase of Busby Centre and Barrie Out of the Cold co-location.

**June 2018** Barrie Out of the Cold dissolves as an organization and supports Busby Centre to facilitate an Emergency Group Lodging program. Public Capital Campaign is launched to support the renovations required. Construction begins with very tight timelines as Busby needed to be open for shelter in winter 2018.

**July-Dec 2018** Community donations and pledges raised were \$520,000

**Dec 2018** Busby Centre presents to Barrie City Council requesting \$200,000 to support this important community capital project. City Council approved the request. Main construction is complete and occupancy is granted. The Busby Centre opens on Dec 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2018.

**January 2019** Busby Centre presents to County of Simcoe Committee of the Whole requesting \$150,000 to support the capital renovations. Committee of the Whole approved the request.

**Jan-Sept 2019** The Public Capital Campaign raises over \$65,000 to complete this important renovation project. Remaining renovations are completed and final invoice is submitted and paid in full. Campaign complete.

*During the first season in our new space, Dec 2018-May 2019, we were able to served 247 individual at our overnight group lodging*

# Campaign Overview

Our Campaign Goal	\$920,000.00
Funds raised and pledged up to December 2018	\$520,000
<b>City of Barrie Support</b> County of Simcoe Support	<b>\$200,000</b> \$150,000
Additional Community Support from Jan-Sept 2019	\$65,000
<b>Total Raised in the Barrie and Area Community</b>	<b>\$935,000</b>



# City of Barrie

The \$200,000 grant from the City of Barrie supported in the areas of the renovation where important Health & Safety Upgrades to the 88 Mulcaster Street building were required as well as areas that support a healthier community, including:

- A new HVAC system that supports the increased load capacity for the change in use of the space from an office building to a care facility
- New anti-slip flooring throughout the building
- A new larger and more energy efficient hot water tank





## Understanding the Cost:

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### THE AVERAGE MONTHLY COSTS OF HOUSING PEOPLE WHILE THEY ARE HOMELESS



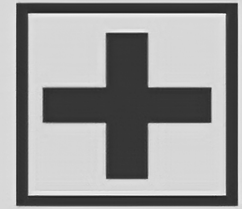
**\$1,932**

SHELTER BED



**\$4,333**

PROVINCIAL JAIL



**\$10,900**

HOSPITAL BED



**\$701**

RENT SUPPLEMENTS

**VS.**



**\$199<sup>.92</sup>**

SOCIAL HOUSING

Source: Wellesley Institute's *Blueprint to End Homelessness* (2007).

# SO NOW LET'S FOCUS ON HOUSING

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**We believe that everyone should have a right to housing in Canada.**

**Our HUB is a coordinated access point for individuals and families who are experiencing, or at risk of, homelessness to gain access to housing options and support.**

**In 2019 we assisted 102 individuals and families to either obtain housing or to keep their existing housing.**



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SUPPORT  
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