

# 2012 COMMUNITY FORUM ON HOMELESSNESS



## Creating innovative housing solutions

Linking Research and Knowledge with Action and Policy

Honouring National Housing Day

Thursday, November 29, 2012, 9:00 a.m. - 3:45 p.m.

University of Ottawa, Desmarais Building, 55 Laurier E., Room 4101

## MORNING PROGRAM

### 9:00 **Welcome**

a.m.

**Dan Sabourin:** Chair of the Alliance to End Homelessness Ottawa

**Stéphane Cardinal:** Director, Centre for Global and Community Engagement,  
University of Ottawa

**Tim Aubry:** Chair of the Forum

### 9:15 **Mayor's Proclamation of National Housing Day**

**Councillor Mark Taylor:** will make the presentation

### 9:30 **Morning Keynote**

**Sam Tsemberis** Founder and CEO of Pathways to Housing, New York  
**Housing First: *Fidelity, Philosophy and Finance***

There will be questions from the floor.

10:30 Coffee Break

### 11:00 **Plenary Panel Session**

#### **Harm Reduction Housing: *Reconciling Challenges***

#### **Moderator:**

**Tim Simboli**

Executive Director of the Canadian Mental Health Association, Ottawa Branch

#### **Panelists:**

**Lisa Ker** – Ottawa Salus, a housing provider perspective

**Derrick** – CMHA client with lived experience

**John Sylvestre** – a research perspective

**Fourth** – TBA

There will be questions from the floor.

## AFTERNOON PROGRAM

### 12:30 Table Talks and Lunch

p.m.

The list of “Table Talks” available at the Forum. Hosts give a brief, informal presentation then answer questions or lead a discussion.

This year, participants may attend TWO table talks if they wish. Topics include new programs, recent research findings, an agency update, a new partnership, etc.

### 2:00 Afternoon Keynote

**Tim Richter** President & CEO, Canadian Alliance to End Homelessness  
**A Plan, Not a Dream: Ending Homelessness in Canada**

### 2:45 Research Round-up

**4 Minutes, 4 Slides, 1 Researcher**

Participants hear about several important research initiatives and findings on homelessness and related health and housing issues

### 3:45 Closing



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