



SECOND STAGE SHELTERS **FUNDING**

Second stage shelters are an important part of the continuum of supports for women and children fleeing violence, yet comprehensive and sustainable funding to do this life-saving work is a major challenge.

“We receive zero funding from the provincial government...Without core operational funding, our entire program is at risk. Saskatchewan is one of the only provinces that does not fund their second stage shelters and this is a significant challenge for us.”

—shelter director, Saskatchewan, survey

- **71%** of second stage shelters surveyed receive some provincial or territorial government support, although it is often inconsistent and does not cover all of their expenses.
- Second stage shelters in Newfoundland and Labrador, Saskatchewan, and Ontario **do not receive any sustainable provincial government funding.**
- **4 of the 5** Indigenous second stage shelters surveyed (on- and off-reserve) did not receive any government funding.



“Due to limited capacity and funding, the programs are not consistent as they are proposal driven.”

—shelter director, Yukon, survey

IT'S TIME TO TAKE ACTION

Second stage shelters need sustainable, core operational funding with yearly increases to match increasing standard of living costs. Core funding must include money for staff, programming, and ongoing repairs and maintenance.

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