

# Nelson's 2018 Point-in-Time Count – Summary Results

## ENUMERATION

**Number of individuals approached: 725**

**Number of individuals experiencing homelessness: 132**

Where did you stay last night?	#	%
Couch-surfed/Motel ("Hidden Homeless")	43	33%
Emergency Shelter	28	21%
Transitional Housing	18	14%
Hospital, Detox, Jail, etc.	2	2%
Unsheltered/Absolute Homelessness	20	15%
Don't know/Unclear/Decline to answer	21	16%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>132</b>	<b>100%</b>

### **Precariously Housed**

360 individuals **with housing** were asked about the stability and security of their current housing situations. Of these, 26% (94) indicated that they were at immediate risk of losing their housing due inability to pay rent, concerns for personal safety, building maintenance/safety issues, and/or interpersonal conflict.

## SURVEY

Number of individuals who consented to complete survey: 101

### Residency

59% of respondents have lived in Nelson for 2 years or longer

54% of respondents have lived in Nelson for 5 years or longer

41% of respondents have lived in Nelson for 10 years or longer

### Indigenous Identity

31% of respondents identified as Indigenous or have Indigenous ancestry

### Youth Homelessness

15% of respondents were under the age of 18 (includes 7 dependent children)

35% of respondents were under the age of 25 (includes 7 dependent children)

56% of respondents first experienced homelessness before the age of 19

40% of respondents had been MCFD care at some point in their lives

### Factors Leading to Loss of Housing

34% of respondents indicated interpersonal conflict and abuse

34% of respondents indicated unsafe, inadequate and/or inappropriate housing

24% of respondents indicated financial hardship

### Barriers to Finding & Keeping Housing

82% of respondents indicated lack of affordable housing

63% of respondents indicated low income

29% of respondents indicated issues with shared housing