

HOMELESSNESS AND EMERGENCY SERVICES IN NIPISSING DISTRICT

A HIFIS Data Report for 2014



488

CLIENTS STAYED AT AN EMERGENCY SHELTER (CRISIS CENTRE NORTH BAY) IN 2014



592

SHELTER ADMISSIONS (SOME CLIENTS WERE ADMITTED MORE THAN ONCE)

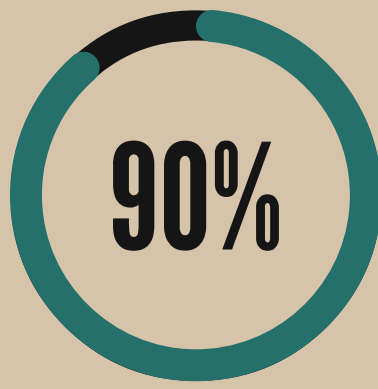


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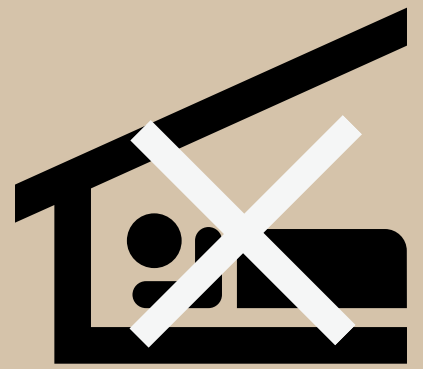
BED NIGHTS / SHELTER STAYS



AVERAGE LENGTH OF STAY IN SHELTER (DAYS)



AVERAGE SHELTER OCCUPANCY RATE



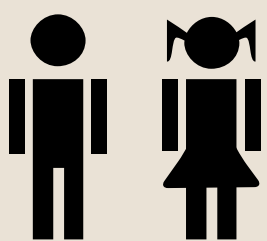
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NUMBER OF NIGHTS THE SHELTER WAS IN AN OVERFLOW SITUATION



ONE AND A HALF TIMES MORE MEN STAYED AT THE SHELTER THAN WOMEN

32 Average age of shelter client



11% of shelter clients are youth under 16 years of age - another **23%** are ages 16 - 24 years

Of the clients - at the time of admission - were the head of a family household



A LACK OF HOUSING WAS THE MAIN REASON FOR SHELTER ADMISSIONS IN 2014 (65% OF ADMISSIONS)

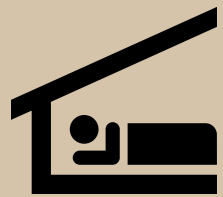
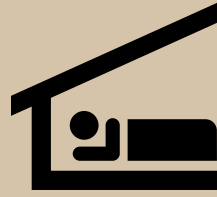
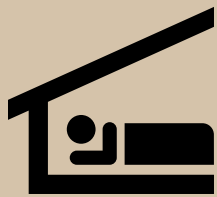
TRANSIENT LIFESTYLE WAS THE NEXT MAIN REASON FOR SHELTER ADMISSIONS (15%) FOLLOWED BY FAMILY / RELATIONSHIP BREAKDOWN (11.5%)





TOP THREE REASONS FOR DISCHARGE FROM SHELTER:

- 1) Independently housed (24.0%)
- 2) Moved in with family, friends, relatives, etc. (15.5%)
- 3) Whereabouts unknown (15.0%)



There are an additional four shelters for women and children in Nipissing District (not included in this report)

EMERGENCY SERVICES:

LOW INCOME PEOPLE INVOLVEMENT

SALVATION ARMY (SA)

1,321

People accessed LIPI at least once in 2014 and received

6,000

goods, services or programs

* Does not include the 2600+ Volunteer Income Tax program

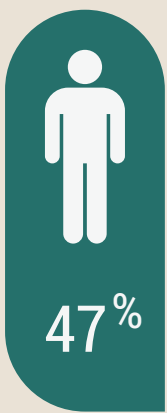
1,826

People accessed the SA at least once in 2014 and received

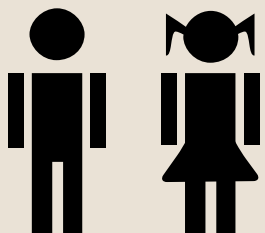
2,525

goods, services or programs

* Does not include the Sunday night Cafe dinners



75% Of LIPI clients are under 35 years of age



50% Of SA clients are adults 45 years of age or over



HOMELESSNESS PREVENTION



FOOD



HOUSING SUSTAINABILITY



XMAS HAMPER



CRISIS INTERVENTION



FURNITURE & CLOTHING

TOP THREE REASONS FOR SERVICE

ABOUT HIFIS



HIFIS (Homeless Individuals and Families Information System) is data management software provided by the federal government, and is a component of the federal Homelessness Partnering Strategy

HIFIS is intended to

- ★ **Assist service providers in the management of their operations through the collection of client information and data**
- ★ **Support research and inform housing and homelessness policy, planning, and service delivery**
- ★ **Prevent and reduce homelessness in local communities through increased awareness and understanding of homelessness issues**

There are currently three service providers using HIFIS in North Bay:

- **Crisis Centre North Bay**
- **LIPI (Low Income People Involvement)**
- **Salvation Army**

HIFIS IS USED BY OVER 500 EMERGENCY SHELTERS AND OTHER SERVICE PROVIDERS ACROSS CANADA

Only HIFIS data from the above service providers is included in this report

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