

AGENDA: DAY 1

MAY 27, 2026
8:30 A.M. - 4:15 P.M.

8:30 A.M. REGISTRATION & BREAKFAST

9:30 A.M. Welcome Remarks
Indigenous Blessing - *Elder Leanne Sleigh, Siksika*
Remarks - *Honourable Myles McDougall, Minister of Advanced Education*

10:00 A.M. **KEYNOTE:** Five Ways Data Made a Difference in Responding to Homelessness
With Gord Tanner - Toronto Shelter and Support Services

11:00 A.M. Connecting What Frontline Workers Know to Tangible Evidence: Examples of What De-Identified Linked Data Can Help Us Understand
With Jessica Dobrovic - Adelaide University

11:45 A.M. LUNCH & NETWORKING BREAK

12:45 P.M. Reimagining Data: Indigenous-led Data Collection
With Suzanne Cunningham & Blake Jackman - Red Road Healing Society & Native Counselling Services of Alberta

1:30 P.M. From Theory to Impact: Mapping the Path Out of Homelessness
With Ashley Fraser - Calgary Homeless Foundation

2:15 P.M. NETWORKING BREAK

2:30 P.M. Using Unit Swaps to Solve Calgary Housing Bottleneck - The Goldilocks Fix
With Kemi Ajayi - Calgary Housing

3:15 P.M. What Shorter Shelter Stays Reveal About Homelessness Prevention
With Ron Kneebone - School of Public Policy

4:00 P.M. DAY ONE CLOSING REMARKS

AGENDA: DAY 2

MAY 28, 2026
8:30 A.M. - 2:55 P.M.

8:30 A.M. CHECK-IN & BREAKFAST

9:00 A.M. Welcome Remarks
Indigenous Blessing - Elder Jackie Bromley, Kainai Blood Tribe

9:30 A.M. Seeing Housing Risk Earlier: Emerging Data Connections
Between Newcomer Services and the Homelessness System
With Nataliia Shen & Michael Grant - Centre for Newcomers & Calgary Homeless Foundation

10:15 A.M. What I've Learned From Other Countries' Battles with
Homelessness
With Nick Falvo - Nick Falvo Consulting

11:00 A.M. Using Race-Based Data to Better Understand and Respond to
Homelessness in Edmonton
With Alain Ndayishimiye - Homeward Trust

11:45 P.M. LUNCH & NETWORKING BREAK

12:45 P.M. Recent Trends & New Directions: What New Data Tells Us
About the State of Homelessness in Canada and What Gaps
Remain
With Patrick Hunter & Annie Duchesne - Housing, Infrastructure and Communities Canada

1:35 P.M. Breakout Group Sessions

2:20 P.M. NETWORKING BREAK

2:30 P.M. Remarks
With Salimah Walji-Shivji - AgeCare

2:45 P.M. CONFERENCE CLOSING REMARKS
