

# DAASH LOGIC MODEL

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<b>Vision</b>	<b>Safe, accessible, and affordable housing for our Digby County communities.</b>			
<b>Guiding Principles</b>	<b>Viewing our work through an equity lens.</b>			
<b>Priorities</b>	<b>INFORMATION</b>	<b>COLLABORATION</b>	<b>INFRASTRUCTURE</b>	<b>RULES/REGULATIONS</b>
<b>Mission</b>	To advocate for the citizens of Digby County to have access, support and understanding of the information they need.	To use our collective strengths to advocate and create a more effective system.	Support and advocacy for infrastructure that works across sectors (government, non-profit, private) to meet the diverse needs in Digby County.	Champion for rules and regulations that ensure equity within the housing system.
<b>Components</b>	<b>Short Term</b>			
	<b>Supportive Housing Model</b>	<b>Supportive Housing Model</b>	<b>Further understand the current housing situation in Digby County.</b>	<b>Housing System</b>
	Seek funding opportunities to implement a supportive housing model in Digby County.		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Define the “vicious” cycle.</li> <li>Understand “housing system” in Digby County. Use tools such as process mapping and PhotoVoice.</li> <li>Identify solutions, gaps, barriers and successes.</li> <li>Understand how population demographics and shifting population trends impact housing issues, including available housing stock.</li> <li>Understand rural homelessness (size and makeup of at risk population).</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Understand the existing rules that pertain to the housing system.</li> <li>Process Map the housing system to identify where the strengths and gaps exists in the system.</li> </ul>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Explore models that help us meet our mission (e.g., housing first, system navigation, SchoolsPlus, etc).</li> <li>Define what is needed in a model.</li> <li>Explore funding options.</li> <li>Take into consideration how support can be provided across the system (people who need housing, landlords, and builders).</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Define model that supports collaboration across organizations and agencies (e.g., housing first, system navigation, SchoolsPlus, etc).</li> <li>Roles and responsibilities – become knowledgeable about who does what.</li> <li>One-stop-shopping.</li> <li>Education-providing information that helps with advocacy.</li> </ul>		
	<b>Education</b>	<b>Housing Partners (Provincial &amp; Federal)</b>		<b>Housing Partners (Local Government)</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Spread the word (informally and formally)</li> <li>Counsel presentations.</li> <li>Develop a mechanism for enhancing our profile (e.g., InfoGraphic)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Invite CMHC, AHANS, Housing NS to meet with us and exchange information.</li> <li>Explore partnership opportunities to implement “A Housing Strategy for NS”.</li> <li>Explore available funding opportunities.</li> <li>Share information and research specific to our Digby County communities.</li> <li>Share the rural perspective. Be a voice to identify and communicate rural needs.</li> <li>Connect with Gordon Wilson, MLA</li> </ul>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Explore implementing of “Safe, Warm and Dry” policies and options for “licensing” rentals.</li> <li>Encourage local officials to consider a housing lens when developing policies and by-laws (e.g., a percentage of approved rental units are allocated as affordable) options for tracer training.</li> </ul>	

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	Understanding Our Partners	Housing Partners (Local Government)		
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Develop a map of who is who and what they do in the housing system.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Request a representative be appointed to DAASH from each council.</li> <li>Engage council to advocate for a renewed Federal Housing Strategy.</li> <li>Keep councils informed on the work of DAASH.</li> </ul>		
	Communication Strategy			
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Internet Linkages (e.g., housing documents online, partner websites, council pages, etc)</li> <li>Tools to maintain history of group, share resources and collaborative linkages. (e.g., Facebook Page and Dropbox type account)</li> <li>Develop a communication subgroup to field media requests.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Initiate Memorandum Of Understanding (MOU) with councils.</li> <li>Link to UNSM initiatives regarding Resolution 6A passed Nov 2013.</li> </ul>		
		Engage Partners		
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Engage the community to support housing initiatives when opportunities present.</li> <li>Support efforts to create transitional / supportive housing and services for vulnerable citizens.</li> </ul>		
<b>Mid Term</b>				
	Education	Asset Mapping	Engage Partners	Standards
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Tenancy rights sessions.</li> <li>Forum for promoting housing related education, information, grants, rules and regulations.</li> <li>Ongoing presentations from other stakeholders to educate the group</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Resources and inventory appropriate to all target groups.</li> <li>Directory of resources.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Identify possible funding partners in advance. (So we know where to go when we are ready.)</li> <li>Identify and engage strategic partners. Eg. Lawyer</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Influence Housing Nova Scotia to support the UNSM Resolution to:                             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Establish minimum provincial standards for all rental housing stock.</li> <li>Expand the role and resources of those agencies enforcing the Residential Tenancies Act.</li> </ul> </li> <li>Communicate challenges faced by Digby County residents.</li> </ul>

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	<b>Long Term</b>			
	Tenancy Board	Volunteers	Affordable Housing Society	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Understanding of the who, what, when of the tenancy board.</li> <li>Leading to advocacy – engage council, identify and communicate challenges.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Explore a volunteer system.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Explore the possibility of forming an affordable housing society.</li> </ul>	
<b>Components</b>	Advocacy for Vulnerable Populations.		Advocacy for New Housing Infrastructure.	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Accessing services.</li> <li>Position paper.</li> </ul>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>NS Housing Strategy.</li> <li>Explore potential for Board of Trade, non-profit coalitions, private sectors and local government as partners in creating affordable / transitional housing options and support services.</li> </ul>	
	Implement Housing Model	Implement Housing Model	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Explore partnerships with local builders to include affordable rental units in existing and new construction.</li> </ul>	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Implement a supportive housing model suitable for rural communities.</li> <li>Use tracking and referral system (e.g., HIFIS) as part of evaluation process.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Implement a supportive housing model suitable for rural communities.</li> <li>Use tracking and referral system (e.g., HIFIS) as part of evaluation process.</li> </ul>	Transitional Housing	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Explore how a “Housing First” model might work in Digby County.</li> <li>Determine what is needed to support this model in terms of infrastructure.</li> <li>Look at what other communities are doing – Shelburne, Wolfville</li> <li>Invite other stakeholders to our meetings.</li> </ul>