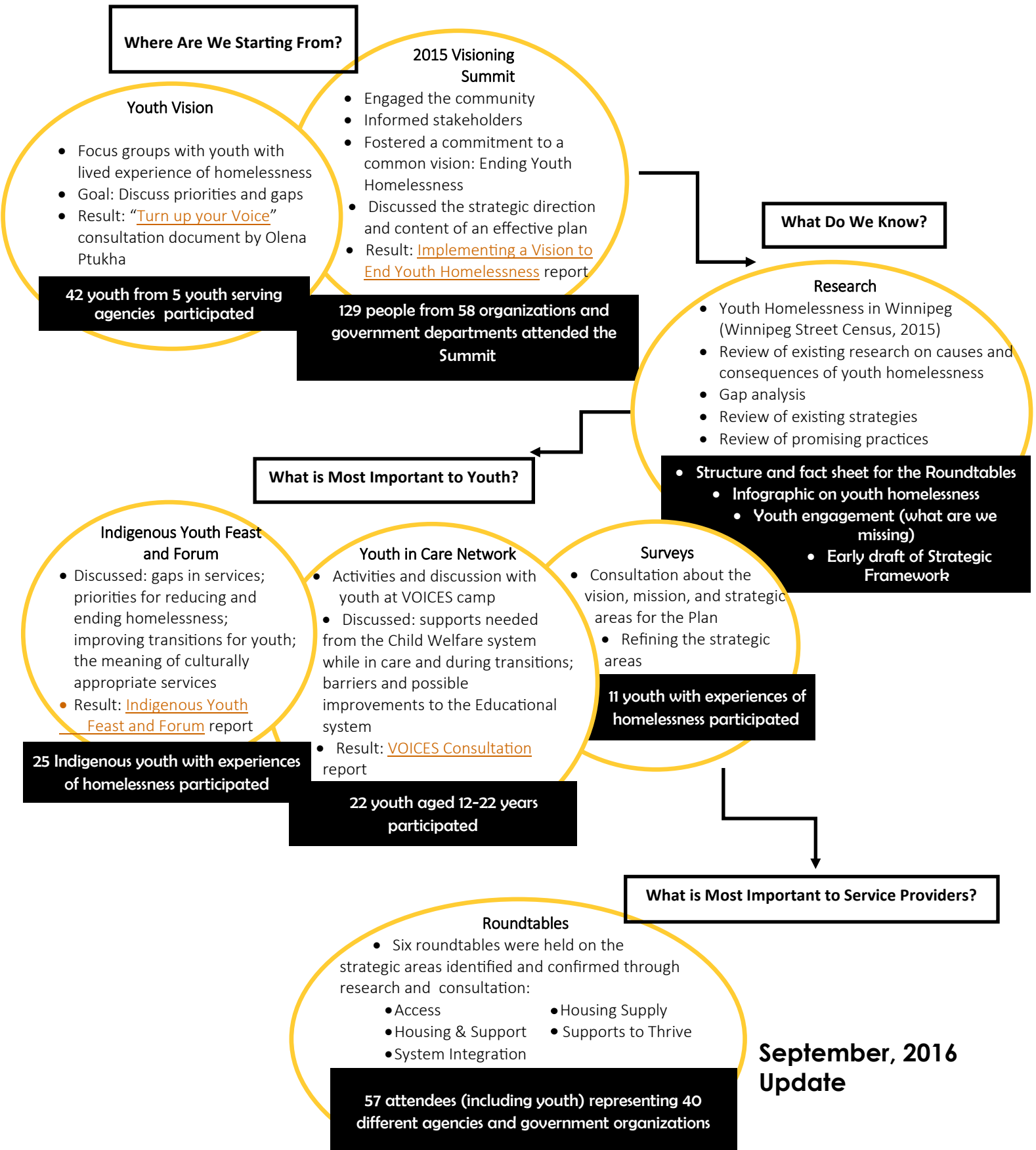


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Since funding was confirmed for the Winnipeg Plan to End Youth Homelessness, we have: engaged, shared, and learned together with those in Winnipeg who care about and/or are effected by youth homelessness; undertaken research on youth homelessness and its causes and promising interventions from Winnipeg and beyond; and from that research and discussion with 100 youth and 186 community stakeholders, have developed a draft Strategic Framework for how we, as a community, will end youth homelessness in Winnipeg.



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With these important discussions in mind, the Steering Committee and project team developed a first draft of a Strategic Framework. This framework has the Vision, Mission, Values, Objectives, and Goals for how we, as a community, will prevent and end youth homelessness.

## What is Next?

### Meetings with Youth

- We will continue to meet with youth experiencing homelessness from our partner agencies to get their feedback on the strategic framework

### Meetings with Community Stakeholders

- Presentations or meetings to discuss the Strategic Framework are being set-up for late August, early September.
- **Groups and organizations can contact us if they would to provide feedback or learn more**

### Open House

- An Open House is planned for **September 15 2016 at RaY, 125 Sherbrook Street**  
Drop in to hear more and give feedback:
  - Community and Government Stakeholders from 9:30-12
  - Youth from 2-4:30

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## Thank you to the Organizations/Agencies/Groups who attended our Roundtables

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Action Therapy	Agape Table
Assembly of Manitoba Chiefs Children's Advocate	Assembly of Manitoba Chiefs EAGLE Urban Transition Centre
City of Winnipeg	Canadian Mental Health Association of Winnipeg and Manitoba
Child and Family Services General Authority	Child and Family Services Southern Authority
Correctional Service Canada	Doorways/Aboriginal Health and Wellness Centre
Eagle Urban Transition Centre	End Homelessness Winnipeg
Gang Action Interagency Network	Macdonald Youth Services
Ma Mawi Wi Chi Itata Centre	Manitoba Adolescent Treatment Centre
Manitoba Children and Youth Opportunities – Crime Prevention Branch	Manitoba Education and Training
Manitoba Foster Family Network	Manitoba Health, Healthy Living and Seniors
Manitoba Housing	Manitoba Justice
New Directions for Children, Youth, Adults, and Families	Office of the Children's Advocate
Onashowewin	Pan Am Place
Rainbow Resource Centre	Resource Assistance for Youth
Rossbrook House	Shaweni Mabinoojii
Siloam Mission	Spence Neighbourhood Association
VOICES Manitoba Youth in Care Network	West Broadway Community Organization
Winnipeg Housing	Winnipeg Regional Health Authority
Winnipeg Rental Network	Youth Agencies Alliance
Youth Employment Services	Volunteer Manitoba

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## Draft Strategic Framework

We are currently gathering feedback on the strategic framework. More details on the goals and considerations for how they will be achieved is available upon request.

VISION

A city where all youth have a safe place to live and thrive

MISSION

To prevent and end youth homelessness by implementing a community sanctioned strategy that ensures youth and their families have what they need to thrive

VALUES

Seven Sacred Teachings  
 Respect // Inclusion // Choice // Youth-Centred // Youth Voice // Reconciliation // Equity //  
 Strength-based // Holistic // Culturally Competent // Evidence and Research Informed

STRATEGIC

### ACCESS

Youth have immediate access to the supports needed to prevent, alleviate and respond to homelessness.

- Establish a coordinated access strategy
- Establish a centralized public information resource
- Address barriers to access across agencies and safe spaces
- Improve collaboration by promoting communication

### PREVENTION

Youth and their families struggling with risk factors of homelessness are identified and supported.

- Foster resilience among families and communities
- Establish schools as prevention sites
- Ensure youth in government care do not exit into homelessness
- Support Indigenous Youth migrating to Winnipeg
- Decolonize systems and approaches to service provision
- Prevent newcomer youth homelessness

### HOUSING & SUPPORTS

Youth have a full range of housing, and housing with support options available based on need and choice.

- Re-envision the emergency response for youth
- Increase the supply and diversity of transitional housing options
- Develop a full continuum of supports for youth in permanent housing

### SUPPORTS TO THRIVE

All youth with experience of homelessness have the supports they need to maintain housing and thrive.

- Foster resilience among youth exiting homelessness through holistic, and ongoing supports
- Address systemic barriers to youths' housing stability
- Enhance the capacity of informal and community-based supports
- Embed healing into supports and systems

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## About the Winnipeg Plan to End Youth Homelessness

The Plan to End Youth Homelessness will be a guide on what is needed in Winnipeg, based on community consensus and the voices of youth. It can be used by community organizations who serve youth, policy makers, funders, and decision makers, to support and work with each other to prevent and end youth homelessness in Winnipeg.

### THE PROJECT TEAM

#### Project Coordination and Research:

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## About the Steering Committee

The Steering Committee (SC) has been established through an invitation to leaders of community based organizations who directly serve youth experiencing or at risk of experiencing homelessness.

- Chair: Kelly Holmes, Resource Assistance for Youth
- Phil Chiappetta, Rossbrook House
- Marie Christian, VOICES: Manitoba's Youth in Care Network
- Tammy Christensen, Ndinawemaaganag Endaawaad Inc.
- Paywapan Colomb, EAGLE Urban Transition Centre
- Marion Cooper, Canadian Mental Health Association, Manitoba and Winnipeg
- Karen Ferris, Youth Agencies Alliance
- Randy Flett, Youth Advisor
- Jason Romanyshyn, Youth Advisor
- Sean Gander, New Directions for Children, Youth, Adults and Families
- Shohan Illsley, The 595 Prevention Team
- Jamil Mahmood, Spence Neighbourhood Association
- Diane Redsky and Kirby Fults, Ma Mawi Wi Chi Itata Centre
- Kelly Schettler, Macdonald Youth Services
- Mike Tutthill, Rainbow Resource Centre

### EX-OFFICIO MEMBERS

- Brandon Neighbourhood Renewal Corporation
- End Homelessness Winnipeg
- Manitoba Housing and Community Development
- Social Planning Council of Winnipeg

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