

What We Need (straight from the streets)

There's a place out in BC, I think, that abolished homelessness.

If a whole town can do that. Why can't we?

What's going on here that it's not working. What do we need?

I think more supports, more people in the community to help.

A lot more communication.

A lot more focus around affordable housing.

People that I've messaged on Kijiji and stuff,
they won't accept you unless you're a student or an elder.

Landlords are, you know, all gung-ho for ODSP or OW
because they know that they're going to get their rent.

But anybody who I've emailed,
they won't take you if you're on social assistance.

There needs to be like a house you can go to
where you relearn how do things over again
where you can reintegrate into society.
It's hard getting a job and not having anywhere to go.

*Anything else you think that we need on the record
like what young people need these days to feel safe?*

More housing people, like, housing workers.

I have a housing worker but that's only because I'm still a youth.