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Walpole Island First Nation Warming Shelter

2022-23 United Way Funding

Warming Shelter – \$55,000



Walpole Island First Nation



Individuals helped in 2022-23

Warming Shelter – 46 individuals



Program Descriptions

The permanent Warming Shelter currently provides shelter to 8 clients per night and is at or near capacity every night.

The shelter meets clients' basic physiological needs of shelter, warmth, food, water, sleep, and clothing.

Secondary needs include providing appropriate programming to assist clients with mental health and wellness strategies to overcome addiction, trauma, and/or mental health problems. Part of this programming includes “wrap-around” services and referrals to other program and services in Walpole Island First Nation and local communities.



Program Results



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100% of clients requiring medical attention received assistance with referrals, especially psychiatry, medication, medical assessments and any other needs they had

The Shelter provides connections to addictions workers multiple times per week for 100% of clients requesting this assistance

100% of clients within the shelter are encouraged to engage in daily life skills chores and routines, including making their beds, keeping their personal area tidy, daily hygiene, collecting their laundry, assisting with the grocery shopping and other day to day tasks





Testimonials

Warming Shelter staff:

“Great to see that many of our clients who accessed housing services are becoming housed within a 6-month period.”

“Clients who have connected with addictions and mental health services have completed residential long-term programs for addictions and are currently remaining sober while accessing ongoing day programs.”

“Many clients who struggled with severe mental health issues are currently accessing mental health and medical services. This connection to services has encouraged mental wellness and stability through medication and report building for them.”



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