
SUBJECT**SHELTERS AND WOMEN**

ISSUE

How will the National Housing Strategy support survivors of domestic violence?

RESPONSE

- **With COVID-19, and the related increase in gender-based violence and risk of homelessness for many women, more than ever home has become a sanctuary — a place of safety and refuge.**
- **Providing a safe and secure space for woman and children fleeing domestic violence is a priority for the Government of Canada and is one of the main priorities of the National Housing Strategy**
- **Since 2016, we've helped create and repair over 9,900 shelter units and spaces, as well as investing to support projects that specifically target women and girls.**
- **We also recognize the need for more shelter space in First Nation Communities. Our Government will provide a total of \$44.8 million over the next five years to build 12 new shelters in First Nations communities on reserve across the country, and in the territories.**
- **Providing a safe and secure space for Indigenous women and children who are victims of domestic violence on reserve is a priority for the Government of Canada.**