

Homelessness & Affordable Housing

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Come and hear more about

- housing as a solution to homelessness, and how for too long we have seen these are two independent systems,
- the affordability squeeze created by expiring operating agreements and BC encouraging non-profits to select higher income tenants when units turn over, and how this contributes to increased homelessness, and
- the Rental Housing Index (rentalhousingindex.ca) as a powerful tool to document this phenomenon, in addition to being a tool for local housing planners and the foundation of our advocacy efforts both provincially and nationally.

Tony Roy—Executive Director, BC Non-Profit Housing Association

Tony Roy is the Executive Director of the BC Non-Profit Housing Association where he and his team are overseeing a transformation of the social housing sector.

In less than two years, BCNPHA has doubled in size while implementing major projects like the Rental Housing Index, a massive database of rental housing rates and incomes in British Columbia. This past year, BCNPHA signed a deal to bring an internationally recognized “CIH” professional designation to the sector, and has just launched a new on-line Learning Management system and training programs.

Recently, BCNPHA teamed up with the co-operative housing sector to purchase a mutual fund company, now called Encasa Financial. This is the first national program in social housing not run by government, and will provide access to investment funds to non-profit organizations, meaning millions of new social housing dollars—without any new taxpayer support.