

Ontario's Poverty Reduction Strategy

Ontario's commitment to end homelessness

The Ontario government has set a long-term goal to end homelessness as part of its second Poverty Reduction Strategy (2014-2019). ACTO is encouraged by the government's stated intention to address the root causes of homelessness, and acknowledgment that more needs to be done to prevent homelessness.

To begin addressing this goal, a 13-member [Expert Advisory Panel on Homelessness](#) has been appointed, co-chaired by the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing and the Minister Responsible for the Poverty Reduction Strategy. The panel will provide advice and recommendations to the government, including how to define and measure homelessness. The panel's report will inform the development of the province's plan of action to end homelessness. The Ontario government will be reporting annually on its progress on the action plan.