



HOMES FOR DINNER

*The Next Chapter*

*Toronto Reference Library*

*Saturday, November 21st, 2026.*



# INTRODUCTIONS

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## DATE

Saturday, November 21st, 2026. 7p.m. - 11p.m.

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## LOCATION

Bram & Bluma Appel Salon, Toronto Reference Library  
789 Yonge St. 2nd floor, Toronto, ON M4W 2M9

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## DINNER & DRINKS

Enjoy a delicious menu prepared by  
TOBEN Food by Design and our premium open bar.





## SILENT AUCTION

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Bid on specialty items including luxury experiences, jewelry,  
sports tickets, works of art and more!

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### HOMEFULL DRAW

Purchase tickets for your chance to win an exciting prize!

1 ticket for \$150 - 3 for \$250



# THE PROBLEM

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## *Homelessness*

### Housing Precarity in Toronto

15,400+

In the City of Toronto, there are over 15,400 individuals experiencing homelessness on any given night.

This is up 25% from 2024.

10,000

The approximate number of shelter beds in the City's available shelters. Shelters in Toronto operate at over 99% capacity, and hundreds of people each month are turned away due to lack of space.

104,904

Total number of active applications on for centralized waiting list for subsidized housing administered by the City of Toronto.

Subsidized housing (in this context) includes rentals and supplements available through the Toronto Community Housing Corporation, Toronto Seniors Housing and Co-Op/PNP/Rent Supplement.

More than one-third of active applicants are seniors.



# THE SOLUTION

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## OUR MISSION

Homes First develops and provides affordable stable housing and support services to break the cycle of homelessness for those with the fewest housing options.

## WHO WE ARE

Homes First provides supportive housing, emergency shelter and wrap-around support services to over 2,500 of the city's most vulnerable people every day, including seniors, families, and those with complex physical, psychiatric and substance use challenges.

## WHY WE DO IT

Simply put, everyone needs a home.

Every night there are over 15,400 individuals in the City of Toronto without a safe, stable place to live.

The skyrocketing cost of living has also exacerbated the ongoing and intersecting housing, mental health and opiate crises, making stabilization that much harder to achieve. Homes First works to break the cycle of homelessness for the people with the fewest housing options.



# THE SOLUTION

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## *The Homefull Commitment*

No one who calls Toronto home should live without one.

We refuse to accept homelessness as inevitable.

We believe in a Homefull Toronto. A city where homelessness is history, where everyone has access to the transforming power of home and the most vulnerable have the support necessary to flourish, because...

You can be sheltered but hungry, safe but alone, housed but unhealthy, that's not homefull.

This is your invitation to reject the status quo, redefine expectations, confront stereotypes, and commit to building a Homefull Toronto together.

This is more than wishful thinking. Homelessness is not an insurmountable challenge. Solutions exist.

We know the way forward. All that's left is the collective compassionate commitment of a unified community to make this our reality.

For over 40 years, Homes First has provided shelter, housing, support, and community for Toronto's most vulnerable people.

We're more than a charity; we're a catalyst for change.

We're committed to a Homefull Toronto. But we can't get there without you.

If you believe Toronto should be Homefull, make this your commitment too.



# THE SOLUTION

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## *The Homefull Commitment in ACTION*

766

The number of individuals Homes First supported in finding housing in 2025

25%

Homes First currently operates just over 25% of all active shelter beds in the City of Toronto.

As a part of the city's 10-year Homelessness Services Capital Infrastructure Strategy, at least 20 emergency shelters are slated to open in the coming years.

1,400

The number of unique clients supported by Homes First's Intensive Case Management (ICM) teams in 2025

There was a 19% increase in our ICM caseload of clients experiencing chronic homelessness (being without a home for six months or more) between 2024 to 2025

131

The number of unique clients supported by Homes First's Follow-Up Team to maintain their newly acquired permanent housing in 2025



# RESIDENT POEM

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## Change

*Lynn – Homes First Resident*

Change can be easy or difficult.

It's the way you look at it.

Some people may see someone  
searching for herself.

Or someone who can't stand  
being the same.

But it doesn't matter

the only person

I have to please

is myself.

I wasn't always this comfortable

with who I am.

That comes with growing

and becoming

who you want to be.

I want to be as good as possible.

First to myself

and those around me.

I want to help those

who are struggling

or lead them

to the resources they need

Change is beautiful.

And so are you and me.

So grow.

Change.

Inspire one another.



# PRESENTING SPONSOR

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*\$30,000 (One available)*

## AT THE EVENT

- Category Exclusivity
- Two dedicated lounges (25 Tickets)
- Food prepared by Toben
- Two dedicated bottle and food service waitstaff
- Right to use trademarks in association with the named event
- Ability to promote your support for one year
- On-stage speaking opportunity

## RECOGNITION

*The following communication materials will feature your organization as the Presenting Sponsor of Homes for Dinner: The Next Chapter*

- Invitation
- Exclusive interview feature on Homes First blog and social media
- Exclusive video format feature on social media
- Inclusion in printed fundraising appeal mailed to Homes First's full donor database, with the opportunity to include a dedicated insert.
- Full page ad in the evening program
- Event webpage
- Recognition in post-event impact communications sent to donors and attendees
- Company name and logo on video screens at the event
- Inclusion in appropriate social media activity
- Onsite signage
- Recognition in Homes First's 2026 Annual Report
- Recognition as the Presenting Sponsor in all media outreach and press coverage
- Inclusion in media release(s)

*A business receipt will be issued for the full sponsorship amount.*



# PARTNERING SPONSOR

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*\$20,000 (One available)*

## AT THE EVENT

- Category Exclusivity
- Two dedicated lounges (20 Tickets)
- Food prepared by Toben
- Two dedicated bottle and food service waitstaff
- Right to use trademarks in association with the named event
- Ability to promote your support for one year
- On-stage speaking opportunity

## RECOGNITION

*The following communication materials will feature your organization as the Partnering Sponsor of Homes for Dinner: The Next Chapter*

- Invitation
- 3/4 page ad in the evening program
- Recognition in post-event impact communications sent to donors and attendees
- Event webpage
- Company logo on video screens at the event
- Inclusion in appropriate social media activity
- Onsite signage
- Recognition in Homes First's 2026 Annual Report
- Inclusion in media release(s)

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# SUPPORTING SPONSOR

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*\$15,000*

## AT THE EVENT

- Category Exclusivity
- One dedicated lounge (15 Tickets)
- Food prepared by Toben
- One dedicated bottle and food service waitstaff
- Right to use trademarks in association with the named event
- Ability to promote your support for one year

## RECOGNITION

*The following communication materials will feature your organization as the Supporting Sponsor of Homes for Dinner: The Next Chapter*

- Invitation
- 1/2 page ad in the evening program
- Recognition in post-event impact communications sent to donors and attendees
- Event webpage
- Company name and logo on video screens at the event
- Onsite signage
- Recognition in Homes First's 2026 Annual Report
- Inclusion in media release(s)

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# HOMEFULL SPONSOR

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*\$10,000*

## AT THE EVENT

- One dedicated lounge (10 Tickets)
- Food prepared by Toben
- Premium Bar (and non-alcoholic beverages) included
- Right to use trademarks in association with the named event
- Ability to promote your support for one year

## RECOGNITION

*The following communication materials will feature your organization as a Homefull Sponsor of Homes for Dinner: The Next Chapter*

- Invitation
- 1/4 page ad in the evening program
- Event webpage
- Company name on video screens at the event
- Onsite signage
- Recognition in Homes First's 2026 Annual Report
- Inclusion in media release(s)

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# CORPORATE SPONSOR

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*\$5,000*

## AT THE EVENT

- One dedicated high-top table (8 Tickets)
- Food prepared by Toben
- Premium Bar (and non-alcoholic beverages) included
- Right to use trademarks in association with the named event
- Promotion of your support for one year

## RECOGNITION

*The following communication materials will feature your organization as a Corporate Sponsor of Homes for Dinner: The Next Chapter*

- Company logo recognition in the evening program
- Company name and logo on the video screens at the event
- Recognition in Homes First's 2026 Annual Report

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# CONTRIBUTING SPONSOR

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*\$3,000*

## AT THE EVENT

- One dedicated high-top table (6 Tickets)
- Food prepared by Toben
- Premium Bar (and non-alcoholic beverages) included

## RECOGNITION

*The following communication materials will feature your organization as a Contributing Sponsor of Homes for Dinner: The Next Chapter*

- Name recognition in in evening program
- Recognition in Homes First's 2026 Annual Report

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# INDIVIDUAL TICKET

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*\$150*

## AT THE EVENT

- Food prepared by Toben
- Premium open bar

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# EPILOGUE

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**N**o one who calls Toronto home should live without one. For more than 40 years, Homes First has walked beside individuals whose stories have been shaped by homelessness—each one different, each one deeply human.

Stories of struggle.

Stories of resilience.

Stories of people finding the strength to begin again.

Every day, new pages are written.

A key placed into someone's hand.

A door that finally closes behind them in safety.

A warm meal shared in community.

A moment of relief after months, sometimes years, of uncertainty.

These moments may seem small.

But they are the moments where hope begins.

Across Toronto, there are still thousands of stories waiting for their next chapter to begin—stories that deserve stability, dignity, and the chance to rebuild.

Because a home is more than four walls.

It is safety.

It is belonging.

It is the foundation for everything that comes next.

The next chapter of this story is still being written.

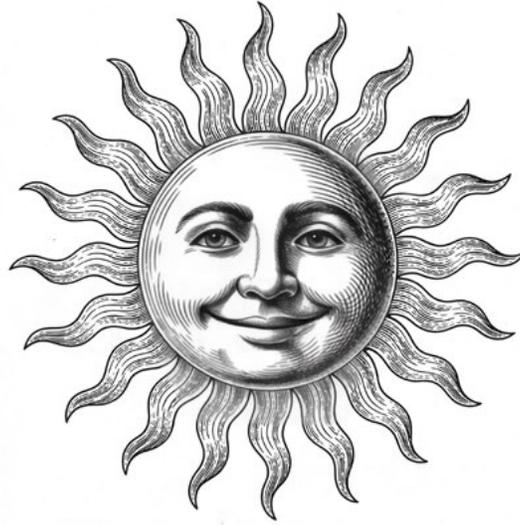
And like every meaningful story, it cannot be written alone.

It is written by people who believe that compassion should shape our city. By a community willing to turn the page and imagine something better. Together, we can write the next chapter.

A Homefull Toronto.

One chapter at a time.





## ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

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