



New Westminster
Homelessness Coalition
Society

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A short history of the New Westminster Homelessness Coalition Society

Who are coalition members & coalition structure:

- Diversity of membership
- Strength of collaborative relationships
- Increasing Coalition membership
- Special relationships:
Jagrup Brar; City social planner; City council

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- Achieving society status
- Hiring a coordinator
- Developing an Emergency Response - extreme heat
- New Westminister - announced as a pilot site for poverty reduction strategy

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NWHC Successes

- I's on the Street / Expansion of services / relationship with local BIA
- Opening of Rhoda Kaellis / The Russell / Maria Keary -- fewer homeless than in 2010
- HAW / Connect Day and addition of quarterly mini-connect days
- NWHC web site
- Fundraising efforts

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Barriers

- More 'at risk' population causing expansion of food bank days