



# Town Hall: Urban, rural, and northern Indigenous housing

PRESENTED BY CHRA'S INDIGENOUS CAUCUS IN  
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# Agenda

Housekeeping

History of Indigenous Caucus

The Path to NICHI

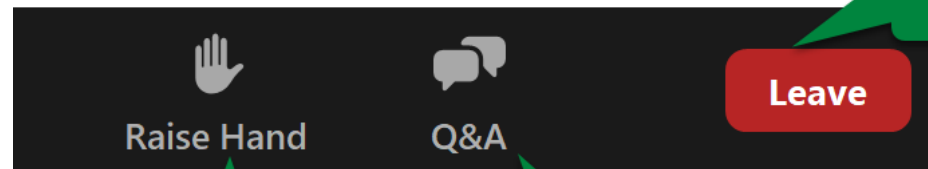
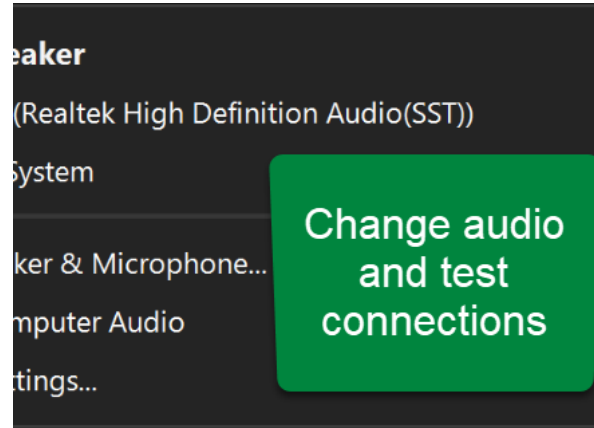
NICHI Activities

3 Vectors of NICHI

Questions/Comments

# Housekeeping

- ▶ Zoom functions
- ▶ Asking a question/providing a comment
- ▶ 1 ½ hour webinar



# A brief history of CHRA's Indigenous Caucus

- ▶ 2012 World Indigenous Housing Conference
- ▶ Creation of the Indigenous Caucus- why CHRA?
- ▶ Advocacy efforts
- ▶ Path to the URN Indigenous Housing Strategy



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CAUCUS**

# Budget Announcement 2022

- ▶ January/February 2022: NHC, Indigenous Caucus working group consultation
- ▶ February 2022: Kimberley Brown hired as Director, Indigenous Caucus
- ▶ April 2022: Budget 2022 announces \$300M over 5 years to co-develop an URN Indigenous housing strategy
- ▶ May-August 2022: The Indigenous Caucus meets with leadership from CMHC to determine the next steps in delivering the \$300M budget commitment. Plans to host a National Gathering are developed with the National Housing Council's URN working group
- ▶ September 2022: CHRA hosts Housing on the Hill, a meeting with CMHC determines they will fund the National Gathering in November

# National Indigenous URN Stakeholder Gathering

- ▶ October 2022: Patrick Kelly is hired as the facilitator
- ▶ November 22, 2022: ISC requests 2 members to serve on a technical advisory committee to guide the distribution of \$300M (reduced to \$281.5M)
- ▶ **November 25, 2022:** The National Indigenous URN Stakeholder Gathering results in a Declaration to form the National Indigenous URN Housing Coalition: with 14 founding signatories
- ▶ **December 21, 2022:** National Indigenous Collaborative Housing Incorporated is federally incorporated

# NICHI Creation

- ▶ Coalition Declaration
- ▶ Federally incorporated
- ▶ Interim Board of Directors
- ▶ Planning first AGM



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## Principles

In advancing this work, we agree to abide by the following principles:

- Respect for each other and upholding self-determination and Indigenous sovereignty. The signatories are autonomous Indigenous organizations that form a coalition to achieve the housing purposes of the coalition;
- Through the development of culturally-appropriate housing and services, we support the retention and revitalization of our diverse cultures through our respective cultures and traditions, ways of knowing and being, and respect for the land;
- To be respectful of each other and of all life; and
- To ensure that housing is provided to all URN Indigenous peoples on an equitable and as needed basis, in an Indigenous holistic manner.

Declaration Principles

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# 3 Vectors of National Indigenous Collaborative Housing Inc.

- 1. Organizational Development:**  
Establishing NICHl- the Indigenous-led and governed body to design and deliver the URN Indigenous Housing Strategy
- 2. \$281.5M:** NICHl delivers this funding
- 3. Long-term, sustainable investment:**  
Securing and solidifying the 4<sup>th</sup> Pillar of the National Housing Strategy addressing URN Indigenous Housing with long-term, sustainable and significant funds