

Comparison with Housing First

<b>Feature</b>	<b>Housing First</b>	<b>Self-Sufficient Shared Housing (This Program)</b>
<b>Eligibility Conditions</b>	No preconditions; housing is provided immediately regardless of income, sobriety, etc.	Individuals must be eligible for Ontario Works and willing to share housing costs.
<b>Funding Source</b>	Primarily funded by government programs, NGOs, and institutional grants.	Uses existing government subsidies (Ontario Works shelter allowance) without additional funding.
<b>Scalability</b>	Limited by available institutional funding and housing stock.	Scalable across communities due to cost-recovery model and minimal startup resources.
<b>Replicability</b>	Requires coordination with service providers and large-scale support.	Can be replicated by individuals, small groups, or community partners using a standard method.
<b>Sustainability</b>	Depends on continued external funding.	Self-sustaining through cost sharing and efficient budgeting.
<b>Community Building</b>	Focus on individual housing units.	Focus on shared living, creating a built-in peer support network.
<b>Administrative Load</b>	High; involves case management, health services, monitoring.	Low; relies on basic coordination and shared agreements among residents.
<b>Speed of Adoption</b>	Slower due to resource constraints.	Faster if replicated by multiple groups using existing entitlements.