CART Step 1 - Preliminary Diversion

Submit to: CasePlacement@gmail.com

CART acts as the central hub within Lethbridge's Homeless-Serving System of Care. It is the entry point into all LHA/CBO funded housing programs and operates based on a triage model- prioritizing chronically homeless individuals with the highest needs, first.

It is designed to direct the most chronically homeless and high-needs individuals and families towards interventions that best suit their needs. Our objective is to ensure resources are targeted to address those with the **highest chronicity** and level of need **first** while utilizing only those resources necessary for those with greater independence.

Diverting people from the homeless-serving system is an important part of CART.

Who is CART for?

CART is FOR individuals and families who are chronically homeless and/or have complex needs.

CART is FOR individuals and families who require long-term permanent case management supports.

CART is FOR individuals who require long-term supportive housing.

CART is FOR individuals actively working to improve their own health and wellness, living a self-directed life while striving to reach their full potential.

What CART is NOT?

CART is NOT an open placement system for every Lethbridge resident who is at risk of or experiencing homelessness. CART is NOT a catch-all for those who are being discharged into homelessness from hospitals or institutions.

CART is NOT simply for people who don't have a home.

CART is NOT about saving money; it is about saving people.

Key Concepts in Recovery and Homelessness Supports for CART participants:

Hope – Individuals need to feel they can recover.

Personal Responsibility – Individuals need to feel they can control their own lives and take responsibility for their own care.

Education - Individuals need information about their illness and treatment options.

Self-Advocacy – Individuals need support from others, including: family, peers, professionals, and the community.

Before referring into CART, we require the following to be completed:

A. Da	ate of first contact with this individual	(date) .				
B. D(B. Documentation Required: (if the process has been started but not complete- please note in section F) Identification (copy attached) ID clinic is available through AHS, 403-330-8150 Alberta Works/AISH Application Submitted Bank Account in place Lethbridge Housing Application (if req'd) Date of Application: 					
C. Ad	C. Addictions (This can affect what program options are available) Alcohol Substance Misuse					
D. Se	ervice Applying For: Supportive Housing Case Management- Rapid Rehousing Case Management - Adaptive Case Management- Intensive	 Case Management- Seniors Assistance with Detox and Treatment Supportive Housing- Youth Other: 				

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E. List Current Medications- name and reason (attach	Medication Verification if possible- check if current)
Check box if applicant is current with (taking) the	medication as prescribed.
F. Additional Notes: List any referrals and supports that behind applying for CART programs:	t are currently in progress for the applicant and reasons
G. Does the applicant agree to the referral to CART and the Yes	In signed consent to share information is also attached?
Referring Staff	Referring
Name:	Agency:
Referring Staff	Date:
Signature:	
Job Title/Roll:	Contact:

COORDINATED ACCESS ROUND TABLE INTAKE, TRIAGE & ASSESSMENT PACKAGE

This package is for external agencies, programs, and departments to refer participants to Coordinated Access Round Table (CART). This package will take approximately 15-20 minutes to complete and includes the following sections:

Section 1 – Referring Agency Information [Mandatory]

To collect information about the services and when they were delivered and the homelessness status of the participant.

Section 2 – Initial Assessment: Is Participant Experiencing Homelessness [Mandatory]

At present, only participants currently experiencing homelessness and seeking support in LEHBRIDGE are to be referred to the Coordinated Access Round Table (CART).

Section 3 – Consent to Share Package with CART [Mandatory]

To gather basic information so the ETO/CART Participant File can be created or updated.

Section 4 & 5 – Collecting Participant Information & Contact Information [Mandatory]

To gather basic information so that the individual can be added to or updated in the LHA By-Name List.

Section 5 – Common Triage & Assessment Tool [Mandatory]

To help determine depth of need, recommended programming, and next steps for assessment based on scoring and criteria, which you will add up at the end of this section.

Section 6 - Next Steps for Participant Based on Assessment Score

To help guide next steps for the participant based on their level of assessed need.

Section 7 – Submitting Package to CART

Instructions for submitting this package to Coordinated Access Round Table.

SECTION 1 REFERRING AGENCY INFORMATION

1. Referring Agency Information								
Referral Agency/Program Department:								
Referral Date:				Referral Tim	ne:			
Staff Name: Email:	YEAR	MON DA		Phone:		PM		
SECTION 2 IN	IITIAL ASSE	SSMENT AND C	ART SUITABI	LITY				
and/or permanen	t residence	• •		ng as they w	individual does not have access to ant, they are experiencing homele			
Ye.				N o				
3. Are you looking Ye	•	g supports in Let	nbridge?	No				
🔲 Ye	s to Both	Complete Packag	ge	🔲 No	Refer to Diversion/Homelessnes	s Supports		
4. Is the participant willing to attend detox? 5. Is the participant in recovery?								
T Ye	es 🖸	No	N/A	Yes	No			
l'm	n looking fo	r supports in:						

City/Province

SECTION 3 CONSENT TO SHARE PACKAGE WITH COORDINATED ACCESS ROUND TABLE

I, ______ consent for my personal information, as it relates to my housing needs, to be shared with Lethbridge Housing Authority, the Coordinated Access Round Table Lead Agency. As the Coordinated Access Round Table Lead Agency, Lethbridge Housing Authority AND Canadian Mental Health Association coordinates referrals for individuals experiencing homelessness who are seeking housing and support services in Lethbridge.

With this consent, I understand that the information collected from me in this package will be used by Coordinated Access Round Table administrators and agencies acting upon its behalf to contact me and connect me with housing services that meet my needs.

I understand that I am an active participant in obtaining and/or retaining housing. I will contact my referral worker daily or as requested by my referral worker. If I am referred to case management, I will work with my case manager and ensure I am following their recommendations and contact schedule.

I understand that I can withdraw my consent for services at anytime. I also understand that I may be removed from Coordinated Access Round Table programming due to my lack of effort to obtain and retain housing, lack of contact or misrepresentation of my circumstances at anytime.

Participant Signature:	Date:
Referral Staff Name:	Referral Agency:
Referral Staff Signature:	Date:

Additional consents will need to be collected by Coordinated Access Round Table

Case Management Services
6. Case Management Services been explained to me, and I understand my responsibilities:
Yes, they have been explained No
7. Do you have a guardian or trustee?
No Yes Type:
8. Are they in agreement to the referral?
Yes (signed consent attached) No
9. Are you connected to other professional supports or agencies?
Yes (please detail below)

SECTION 4 COLLECTING PARTICIPANT INFORMATION

General Questions	
10. What is your full legal name? Do you have any nicknames	
Last:	First:
Middle:	Nickname:
11. What is your date of birth? (or estimated age if participan	t is unsure/declines to answer)
//	Approximate Age:
YEAR MONTH DAY	
12. What is your Gender (or Identity):	
🗖 Female 🔲 Male 🗌 Other/Un	declared:
13. Do you have any needs related to physical mobility?	
	ribe:
Previous Military Status	
14. Are you a veteran?	
Yes (Identify below)	No Undeclared
	Former RCMP/ Canadian Armed Forces
Veteran- Civilian	Municipal -Fire/Police/EMS
Citizenship and Immigration	-
15. How do you self-identify your citizenship or immigration s Canadian Citizen born in Canada	tatus? Student Visa
Canadian Citizen born in Canada	Visitor Visa
Permanent Resident/Immigrant	Work Visa
Refugee Claimant	Undeclared
If born outside Canada, where were you born:	
Preferred Language	
16. What Language do you prefer to use with service provide	rs?
Indigenous Status	
17. Are you Indigenous?	
Yes (Identify below) First Nations: Status on Reserve	No Undeclared
	Métis: Registered
	Métis: Unregistered
	Other:
How can we reach you?	
19 Mothod Number/Empil/Shelter Conta	

18. Method	Number/Email/Shelter Contact Name			

SECTION 5 COMMON TRIAGE AND ASSESSMENT TOOL

THIS PORTION OF THE INTAKE BEGINS TO ASK MORE PERSONAL QUESTIONS ABOUT THE PARTICIPANT. THIS SECTION CAN BE COMPLETED BY PARTICIPATING COORDINATED ACCESS ROUND TABLE AGENCIES. IT IS HELPFUL FOR PARTICIPATING AGENCIES TO LEVERAGE THEIR EXISTING RELATIONSHIP WITH THE PARTICIPANT TO COMPLETE THIS PORTION OF THE INTAKE AND ASSESSMENT. THE TRIAGE AND ASSESSMENT IS SHORT, AND MOST OF THE QUESTIONS REQUIRE YES/NO RESPONSES.

COORDINATED ACCESS ROUND TABLE ASKS THESE QUESTIONS SO THAT WE HAVE A BETTER UNDERSTANDING OF HOW WE CAN SUPPORT PARTICIPANTS IN FINDING AND KEEPING HOUSING.

IT IS IMPORTANT THAT PARTICIPANTS GIVE THE MOST HONEST ANSWERS POSSIBLE, AS DOING SO WILL ALLOW COORDINATED ACCESS ROUND TABLE AND PARTNER PROGRAMS TO PROPERLY CASE PLAN FOR PARTICIPANT. ANSWERS WILL NOT ACT AS A BARRIER TO HOUSING AND SUPPORTS. IN FACT, THIS INFORMATION HELPS PARTICIPATING AGENCIES ADVOCATE ON BEHALF OF THEIR PARTICIPANTS.

THE FOLLOWING TRIAGE & ASSESSMENT TOOL COVERS 7 MAIN AREAS AS IT RELATES TO PARTICIPANTS BEING ABLE TO FIND AND MAINTAIN HOUSING. THEY ARE AS FOLLOWS:

- SOURCES OF INCOME
- FAMILY AND DEPENDENTS
- HISTORY OF HOUSING AND HOMELESSNESS
- ADDICTIONS & SUBSTANCE USE ISSUES
- MENTAL AND EMOTIONAL HEALTH ISSUES
- PHYSICAL HEALTH ISSUES
- LEGAL ISSUES

EACH QUESTION INCLUDES CRITERIA FOR TALLYING SCORES.

I WILL NOW START ASKING MORE PERSONAL QUESTIONS.

Income

Do you hav	e a financia	l trustee?	Yes
			/

/NL

No No

(Name:)	
19. SOURCE OF INCOME	MONTHLY AMOUNT
Alberta Seniors Benefit	\$
Alberta Works Income Support Start Date: End Date:	
Assured Income for the Severely Handicapped (AISH) Start Date: End Date:	\$
Canada Child Benefit (CCB) – Formerly Child Tax Benefit (CTB)	\$
Canada Pension Plan (CPP)	\$
Child Support	\$
Disability Benefit	\$
Employment	\$
Employment Insurance (EI)	\$
Investment Income (RRIF/RRSP/TFSA/LIRA)	\$
Old Age Security (OAS)/Guaranteed Income Supplement (GIS)	\$
Partner/Spousal Support	\$
Self-Employment Income	\$
Workers Compensation Board	\$
Resettlement Assistance Program (for Government Assisted Refugees)	\$
Student Loans/Grants	\$
Support from Family	\$
Panhandling	\$
Other	\$

Income – Answer Tally					
If participant answered that they have NO source of income, including if they are on Income Assistance					
but not currently receiving benefits, score 1.					
TOTAL	/1				

Family and Dependents

Family Members

20. Are there any family members OVER the age of 16 seeking services with you?								
(NOTE: Consent must be collected from particip	(NOTE: Consent must be collected from participants 16 and over.)							
Yes (Fill out table below)	Yes (Fill out table below) No (Skip to question #21)							
Last Name	First Name		Relationship to	Gender	Age			
			Participant					

Minors

21. Are any of your dependents UNDER the age of 16 seeking services with you?							
Yes (Fill out table below) No (Skip to question #22)							
Last Name	First Name		Relationship to	Gender	Age		
			Participant				

Prenatal

23. Are you d	or anyone in your household curren	tly ex	pecting (pregnant)?	
	Yes (Identify below)		No	Undeclared
Name:			Expected Due Date:	

Dependents – Answer Tally

If participant answered that they have ANY dependents or IS expecting, score 1.	/1
TOTAL	/1

History of Housing and Homelessness

Prompting questions to determine participant's housing history for the last year:

- Where did you sleep last night and how long have you been sleeping there?
- What was your living situation just before this [the situation described above]?
- Where were you before that if you can remember? How long did you stay there?
- Have you had a stable living situation in the last year? When was that?

If participant cannot give housing history for the past year: In the past 12 months, approximately how much time have you spent homeless?

24. Housing Type	Location (City/Province)	Duration (Start/End Date)			

Types of Housing (use to answer questions abo	ve)		
Makeshift/Street	Group Home		
Vehicle	Indigenous Housing Provider		
Abandoned Building	Rental at Market Price with Rent Subsidy		
Encampment/Campsite	Secondary Suite		
Emergency Shelter	Supportive Housing		
Hostel Correctional Facility			
Hotel/Motel Hospital- Medical			
Couch Surfing (Family/Friends) Hospital- Psychiatric			
Foster Care	Residential Care Facility		
Family House/Apartment	Detoxification Facility		
Home Ownership	Transitional Housing		
Military Housing	Crisis Bed CMHA		
Room Rental- House	Recovery/Treatment Facility		
Social/Community Housing Halfway House			
Rental at Market Rate	Lethbridge Housing Authority		
Other:	Other:		

Housing – Answer Tally	
If participant has been homeless for 6 months or more, score 1	/1
If participant is currently sleeping rough (street/vehicle/encampment), score 1	/1
If participant has been homeless for 6 months AND is sleeping rough, score 1	/1
TOTAL	/3

Case Management Placement

Case Management Preferences

25. Gender of case workers I would prefer to work with:	
Female	Male

Other:_____

No preference

26. Agenci	es I would PREFER to work with?	25. Ag	encies I would NOT work with?
🖸 Yes	s (please detail below)		None
1			
14			

Addictions, Health and Mental/Emotional Health Background **Safety Factors**

27.1	nave had issues with:			
100	Self Harm		Harming Others	
100	Aggression		Aggression from Others	
	Suicide Attempts		Assault Charges	
	Arson/fires		Falls	
	Burns		Other:	
	Other:		Other:	
Safety Factors – Answer Tally				
If participant answered that they has ANY history of safety concerns or assaults: score 1 .			/1	
TOTAL			/1	

Mental Health

28. Does your mental or emotional health impact your day-to-day life or has it impacted your ability to find/keep						
housing recently?						
	Yes (note if diagnosed or undiagnosed)		No		Undeclared	
Details:						

Mental/Emotional Health – Answer Tally	
If participant answered answers YES to any mental or emotional health issues affecting housing, score 1.	/1
TOTAL	/1
TOTAL	

Addictions

29. Does an	29. Does an addiction of any kind impact your day-to-day life or has it impacted your ability to find/keep housing						
recently?							
	Yes (Identify:)	\sim	No		Undeclared	
Details:							

Addictions – Answer Tally	
If participant answered answers YES to any kind of addictions affecting housing, score 1.	/1
TOTAL	/1
Physical Health	
29. Do you have and physical health or mobility challenges of any kind that impact your day-to-day life or impacted	
your ability to find/keep housing recently? (i.e. are stairs a barrier?)	
Yes (Identify below) 🖸 No 🚺 Undeclared	
Details:	

Physical Health – Answer Tally	
If participant answered answers YES to any kind of physical barriers affecting housing, score 1.	/1
TOTAL	/1

Tri-Morbidity

Tri-Morbidity (Mental/Emotional Health/Addictions/Physical Health) – Answer Tally			
If participant answered answers YES to ALL THREE factors, score 1.	/1		
TOTAL	/1		

Legal Issues

30. Do legal issues of any kind impact your	day-to-day life or im	pacted your ability to find/keep housing	recently?
Yes (Identify below)	No No	Undeclared	

Legal Issues – Answer Tally	
If participant answered answers YES to any kind of legal issues affecting housing, score 1.	/1
TOTAL	/1

Triage and Assessment Score Tally

Staff Instructions: For the triage and assessment questions from this section (SECTION 5), tally the score table below.	rs in the
No source of Income	/1
Has dependent children or is expecting	/1
**Safety Concerns for participant or others	/1
Homeless 6+ months of the past year (Chronically homeless)	/1
Sleeping unsheltered	/1
Is chronically homeless AND sleeping unsheltered	/1
Mental & Emotional Health Issues	/1
Addictions Issues	/1
Physical health issues	/1
Tri-Morbidity (has all three of addictions, mental and emotional health, & physical health issues).	/1
Legal issues	/1
Total	/11

Assessment Details	Next Steps for Coordinated Access	Recommended Programming
Scoring Range: 0-2 OR is homeless for the first time and less than 14 days ¹	Coordinated Access Round Table members will add participant to LHA By-Name List. Coordinated Access Round Table will refer to community partners to work with participant to self-resolve their homelessness and help solve immediate needs.	None/Light Homeless Serving Sector Intervention (case management) Diversion, connect to income assistance, landlord mediation
Scoring Range: 3-5 OR If participant IS NOT chronically homeless and DID NOT answer yes to having potential tri-morbidity that impacts their day-to-day life or their ability to find and keep housing recently.	Coordinated Access Round Table members will add participant to LHA By-Name List and refer participant to case management for recommended program type.	Rapid Rehousing
Scoring Range: 6-11 OR If participant IS chronically homeless and/or ANSWERED YES to having potential tri- morbidity that impacts their day-to-day life or their ability to find and keep housing recently.	Coordinated Access Round Table members will add participant to LHA By-Name List and refer participant to case management or Supportive Housing for recommended program type. If participant scored within this range or meets other listed criteria on the Triage and Assessment tool, they are to have a SPDAT administered by Coordinated Access Round Table appointed agency. After SPDAT, Coordinated Access Round Table will then add participant to the waitlist for vacancy in appropriate programming. *The waitlist for housing & supports within this scoring range is long due to limited programming options in the community.*	Approximate SPDAT Scoring Range – 20- 35 Adaptive Case Management Approximate SPDAT Scoring Range – 35- 49: Intensive Case Management Approximate SPDAT Scoring Range – 50-60: Supportive Housing

**Special Note: Question 27

Consideration needs to be placed on Question 26- Safety Factors, as to suitability to programming and safety of others and self or if additional/immediate hospitalization needs to be considered.

SECTION 7: Contact Information for Coordinated Access Round Table

The following tables outline how to contact Coordinated Access Round Table. All referrals must be sent to:

CasePlacement@gmail.com

Information
Lethbridge Housing Association
314 3 rd Street South, Lethbridge
8:30 am - 4:30 pm
1-403-329-0556 ext 140
CasePlacement@gmail.com

	Administrative Contact Information: CART Facilitator
Name	Tina Young
Phone/Text	1-403-360-5923
Email	tina.y@lethbridgehousing.ca

	Intake Information: Community Links Coordinator
Name	Richard
Phone	
Email	richardhb@cmhalethbridge.ca

	Administrative Contact Information: LHA By Name List Coordinator
Name	Kayla Podrasky
Phone	403-329-0556 ext 144
Email	kayla.p@lethbridgehousing.ca

DISCLAIMER FOR PARTICIPATING AGENCIES:

To ensure protection of participant data, please store the completed Intake & Assessment Triage package in accordance with your agency's policies.

FOIP Release of Information (ROI) Form Authorization to Share Personal Information at the Coordinated Access Round Table

The use of the Lethbridge Housing Authority (LHA) Coordinated Access Round Table to share participant information is subject to the protection of personal information provisions of the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy (FOIP) Act. A copy of the LHA Privacy Policy and further reading describing the LHA privacy practices is available upon participant request.

Participant Name (Print)

Date of Birth

Dependent children, if any (first and last names and dates of birth) who are receiving services and for whom the parent is providing consent:

I UNDERSTAND THAT:

- My consent to share information is voluntary, and that failure to provide consent will not result in any adverse decision about my rights, benefits or services, other than limiting the ability of the organizations to work together on my behalf.
- I have been asked to disclose my individually identifying program information and have been informed of the risks or benefits of consenting, or refusing to consent, to such disclosure. I further understand that I may revoke this consent at any time, in writing, and no new information will be shared.
- I may consent to the sharing of personal information on behalf of minor children for whom I have legal guardianship, or for other persons for whom I am a legal representative.
- I may ask for my record to be inactivated at any time whereby it will no longer be visible to participating agencies.
- I have a right to see a current list of Participating Agencies. I understand that additional agencies may join the LHA Coordinated Access Round Table at any time, but these agencies will not have access to my information unless I agree to disclose information to them.
- This consent to share information will end in 3 years.
- □ I DO consent to the use and disclosure of my personal information for the participation in the LHA

Coordinated Access Round Table. Dated and effective as of _____

(Day/Month/Year)

Signature of Participant

Print Participant's Full Name

Signature of Witness

Print Witness's Full Name

I hereby authorize:

Insert your agency/program name (print or type)

to use and disclose my individually identifying personal information from my participant file to and between the service providers below:

By Names List	Family Ties
Canadian Mental Health Association (CMHA)	□Alberta Health Services (AHS)
Southern Alberta Self Help Association (SASHA)	<u> </u>
Young Women's Christian Association (YWCA)	<u> </u>
□ Streets Alive	<u> </u>

Check the information you wish to share:

- □ Share everything with Agency(s) listed above
- D Participant Record (Name, Alias) [*if not shared, other items cannot be shared*]
- Participant Demographics (Date of Birth, Gender, Ethnicity)
- Universal Data Elements (Postal Code, Neighborhood, Immigration/Citizenship, Primary Residence Prior to Program Entry, Disabling Condition)
- Program entry/exit dates
- Case Manager Details
- Case Plans: Notes, Goals, Action Steps
- Program Assessments

FOIP DISCLAIMER:

This personal information is being collected under the authority of Section 33(c) of the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy ACT (the `FOIP`) and/or in accordance with any applicable agreements in place. All personal information collected during the registration process, during the course of the participant's stay, and for participation in any programs will be used to provide services and ensure a safe and secure environment for all our participants. It will be treated in accordance with the privacy provision of Part 2 of the FOIP. Limited information may also be provided to the Minister of Human Services for the purpose of carrying out programs, activities or policies under his administration (e.g. research, statistical analysis) or for receiving provincial and/or federal funding. If you have any additional questions or concerns, please contact the Agency Administrator.

Statement of Use:

LHA Coordinated Access Round Table is both an in person and a web based, electronic participant management information system providing a standardized assessment of participant needs, individualized service plans and service records. The LHA CART community utilizes the system to understand the nature of homelessness, develop policies and initiatives to address homelessness, and coordinate case management services. The LHA CART is managed by Lethbridge Housing Authority (LHA).

Personal information that is collected will be used only for the purpose of providing counseling and intervention services. Services will be delivered primarily by the service providers. Where services need to be delivered by extended service providers, information will only be disclosed to them with consent. Information will not be used for any other purpose, unless required by law, and will only be disclosed to external parties with the consent of the individual to whom it pertains.

Authority:

FOIP s.33(c), the personal information is being collected on behalf of Alberta Housing and Urban Affairs or another FOIP public body, and it is necessary for the operation of homeless programs being delivered on behalf of those public bodies. This consent to share information will expire 3 years from the date of signing.

CART

Warm Transfer Form

1. Participant Information			
Name:			
Preferred Name/N	icknames:		
Date of Birth:	YEAR MON DAY	BNLI:	
ETO Identifier:		Phone:	
2. Referring Agence	cy Information		
Referral Agency/Pr	ogram Department:		
Referral Date:	YEAR MON DAY	Referral Time:	
Staff Name:		Phone:	
Email:			
3. Referred Agency	y Information		
Referral Agency/Pr	ogram Department:		
Transfer Date:	// YEAR MON DAY	Transfer Time:	AM 🗖 PM 🗖
Staff Name:		Phone:	
Email:			
4. Warm Transfer Process			
A. Has the participant been made aware of the transfer and provided contact information for new case worker?			
Yes		No	
B. Have all consent	ts deen attached ?	□ No	
C. Are you (referring agency) remaining in contact with the participant for any reason?			
Yes	(Complete section 5)	No No	

5. Case Consultation Notes

A. Case Management Services been ex		t and I have also expla	
to be the referred agency case worker			(date) forward.
Yes this has been explained		No	
B. Do they have a guardian or trustee?			
Yes	No No		
C. Are they in agreement to the referra		it is also attached?	
Yes	No		
D. What services have been completed	with other professional		
Service/Application Name		Completion Date (Or	expected completion date)
			
<u> </u>			
Additional Notes:			
Referred Staff			
Name:	D	ate:	
Referred Staff	R	eferred	
Signature:			
	//	<u> </u>	
Referring Staff	R	eferring	
Name:		gency:	
Nume.	A	Berrey.	
Poforring Staff		ato	
Referring Staff	D	ate:	
Signature:			