Regional Functional Zero Leadership Forum

(formerly Community Wellness Alliance)

Functional Zero Homelessness

Functional zero is a **concrete** and **measurable** approach to ending homelessness; it means that there are **enough, or even more homeless-serving services and resources than needed to meet the needs of individuals** who are experiencing homelessness.

Convened by:

The Greater Victoria Coalition to End Homelessness (GVCEH) and the Aboriginal Coalition to End Homelessness (ACEH)

Mandate:

To receive and share information with respect to achieving functional zero homelessness in the region and to continue to monitor the gaps that exist in mental health and addictions services and supports that prevent us from achieve functional zero and advocate as needed.

Meeting Frequency:

September, January, June

Membership:

Greater Victoria Coalition to End Homelessness

Aboriginal Coalition to End Homelessness

BC Housing

Island Health

First Nations Health Authority

Greater Victoria Chamber of Commerce

Downtown Victoria Business Association

Relevant provincial staff, Executive Director level

CRD

Central Saanich Mayor (or designate) and relevant staff*

Victoria Mayor (or designate) and relevant staff*

Saanich Mayor (or designate) and relevant staff*

Victoria Mayor (or designate) and relevant staff*

View Royal Mayor (or designate) and relevant staff*

Langford Mayor (or designate) and relevant staff*

VicPD

Saanich PD

Westshore RCMP

*Mayors with supportive housing or Regional Housing First units within their jurisdiction; this list can be expanded as supportive housing is built in more jurisdictions.

This group will meet three times a year to receive reports on progress towards functional zero in the Capital Region and to share their insights, observations and any relevant information with each other and with the GVCEH and ACEH on progress towards functional zero.