Simcoe County
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Overview

- 20,000 Homes Campaign

- CDP data use in Simcoe County

Research at the County of Simcoe

- Social and Community Services Division
  - Children and Community Services
    - Local Immigration Partnership
  - Social Housing
  - Ontario Works

- Custom Geographies are coming!
  - EDI boundaries
  - Schoolboard
  - Health Unit
  - NSM LHIN (North Simcoe Muskoka)

Simcoe 20,000 Homes Campaign

- A national movement of communities, mobilizing together to house 20,000 of Canada's most vulnerable people by July 1, 2018

Led by:

- Nationally: Canadian Alliance to End Homelessness
- Locally: Simcoe County Alliance to End Homelessness (SCATEH)

Simcoe County Registry Week

- 120+ volunteers and professional staff across Simcoe County surveyed people experiencing homelessness in 2016

- Data Collection Tool: VI-SPDAT
  Vulnerability Index - Service Prioritization Decision Assistance Tool

- Two reasons for collecting data:

  ▸ Case management   ▸ Aggregate data reporting

- Survey participants:
  People experiencing or at imminent risk of homelessness

- 292 completed surveys

Some Key Findings

35% { • (100 people) were experiencing high acuity

43% { • (125 people) experiencing chronic homelessness

22% { • self-identified aboriginal ancestry
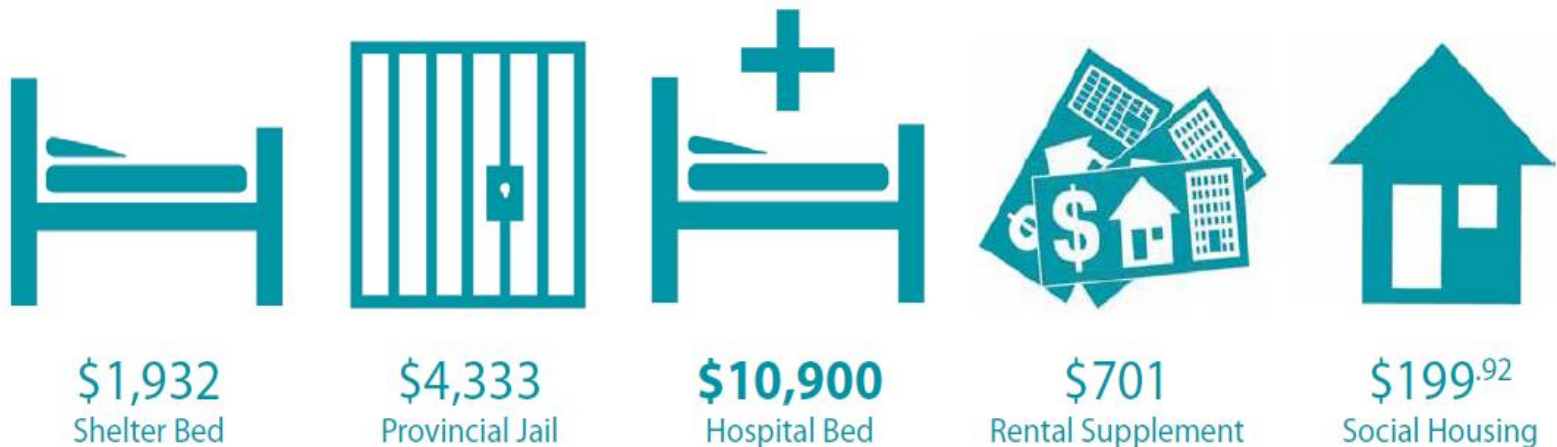
128 { • participants visited the emergency department 478 times in the past year

Key Messages

- Information from Registry Week has provided a better understanding of homelessness across Simcoe County

- Housing First helps the most vulnerable people experiencing homelessness (high acuity and/or chronic homelessness) by providing housing, then additional supports and services

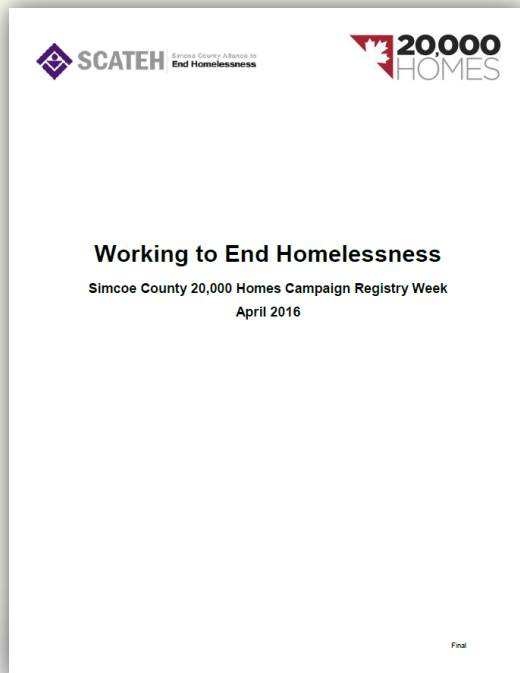**Average Monthly Cost of housing someone while homeless:**

$1,932 Shelter Bed	$4,333 Provincial Jail	$10,900 Hospital Bed	$701 Rental Supplement	$199.92 Social Housing

Source: Cost of Homelessness, 2012, Homeless Hub

Information Dissemination

- **Community Presentations**
- **Deputations**
- **Final Reports**

Our Action Plan

Program Recommendations
- Evidence-informed policy and program design

Communication
- Raising awareness about homeless in Simcoe County

Service Delivery
- Case management and service prioritization
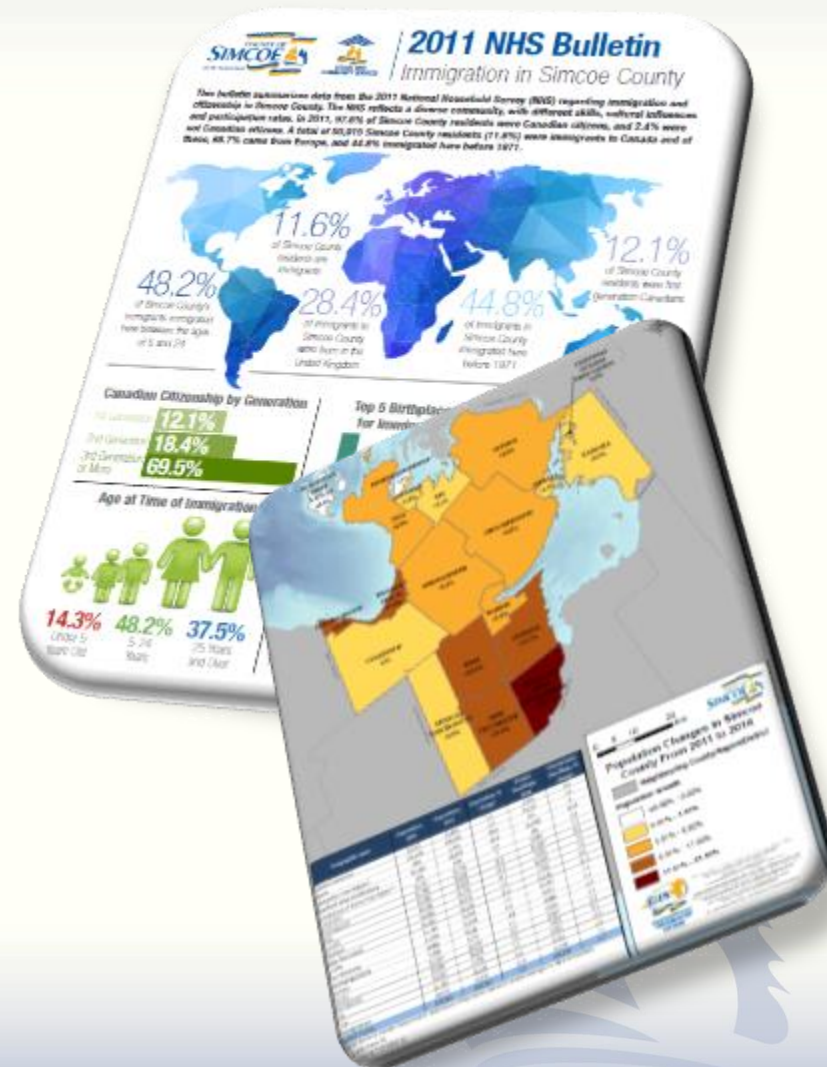
Building Local Capacity
- Training and building system capacity
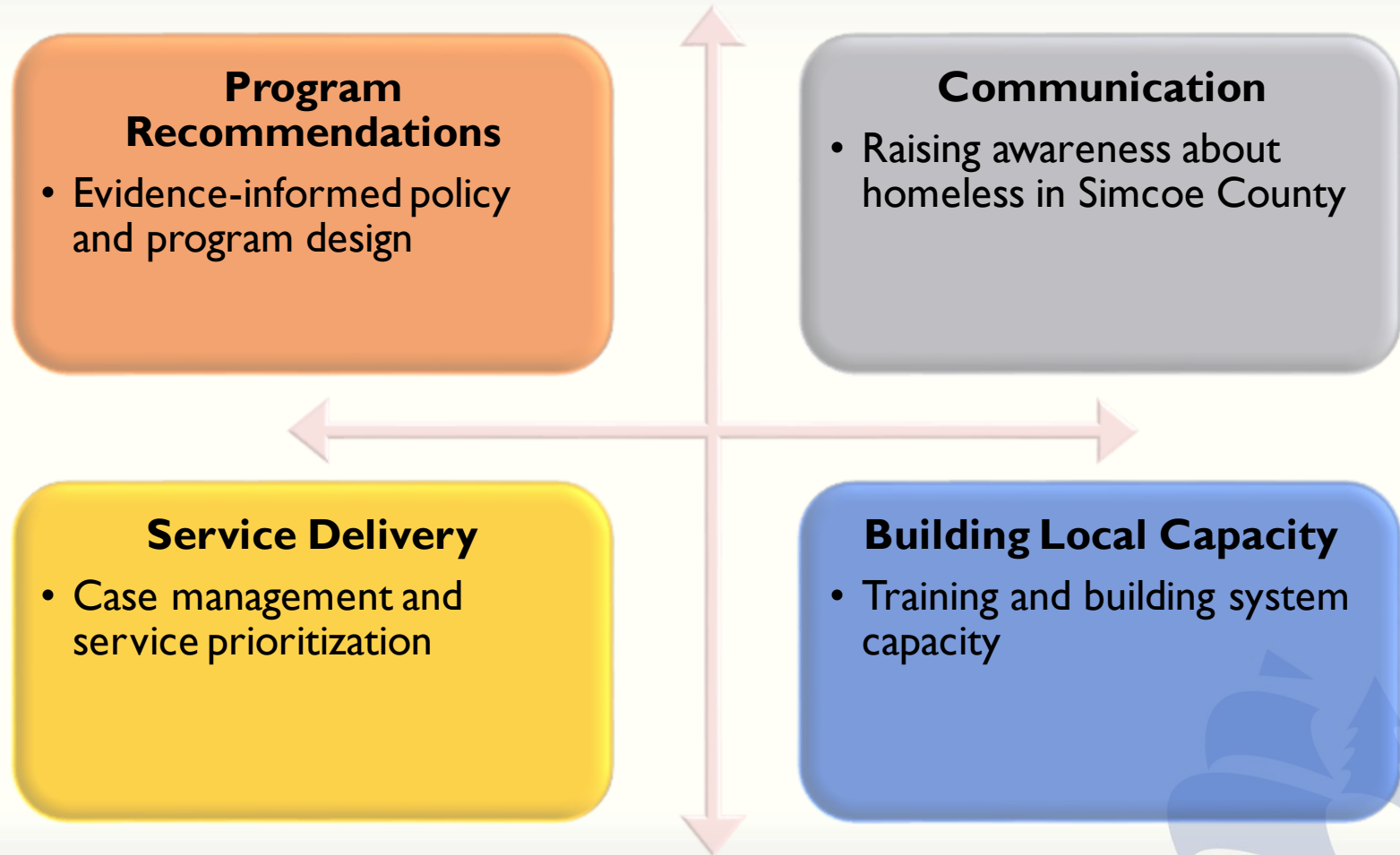
Community Profiles

- Profiles of specific population groups using Target Group Profiles (CDP)

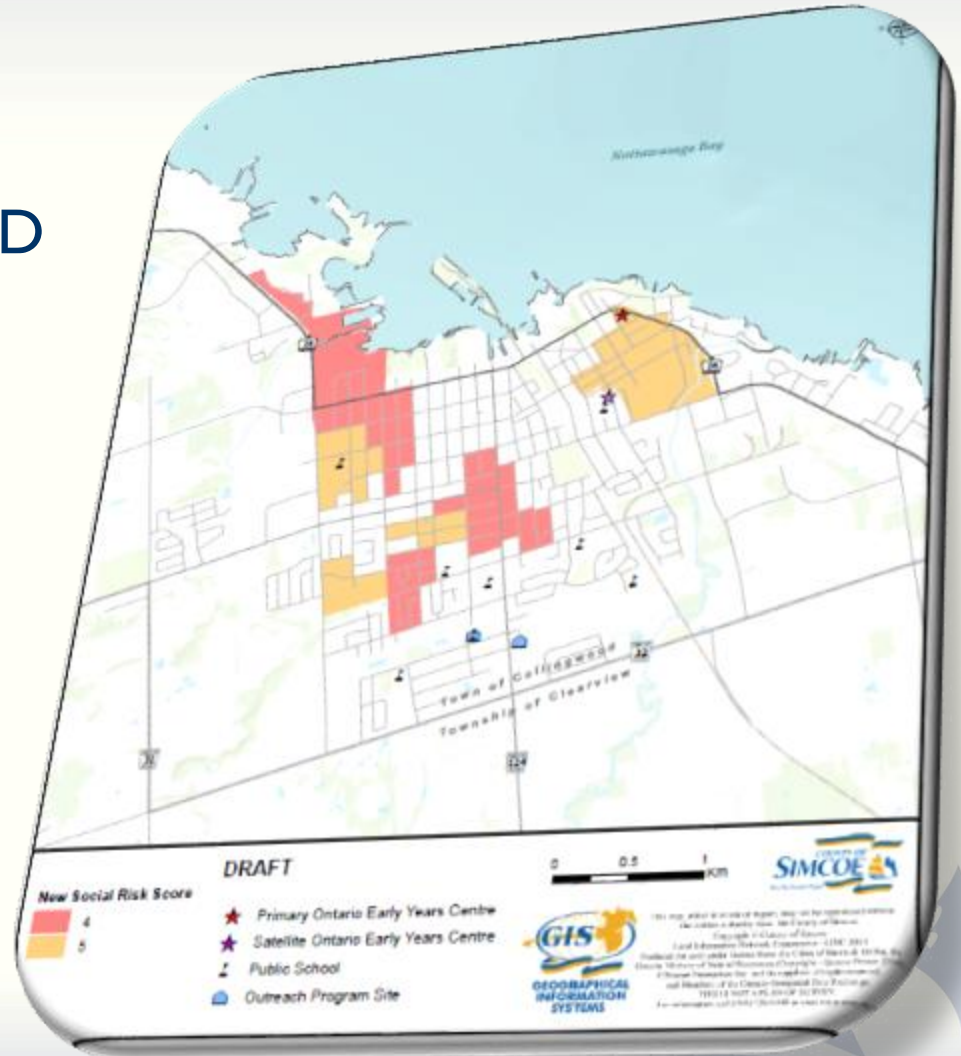- Thematic Maps using data available on local areas of geography

OEYCFC Social Risk Score Maps

- Incorporates Early Development Instrument **vulnerability index** AND **social risk score**

- **Social Risk Score**
  - Low income
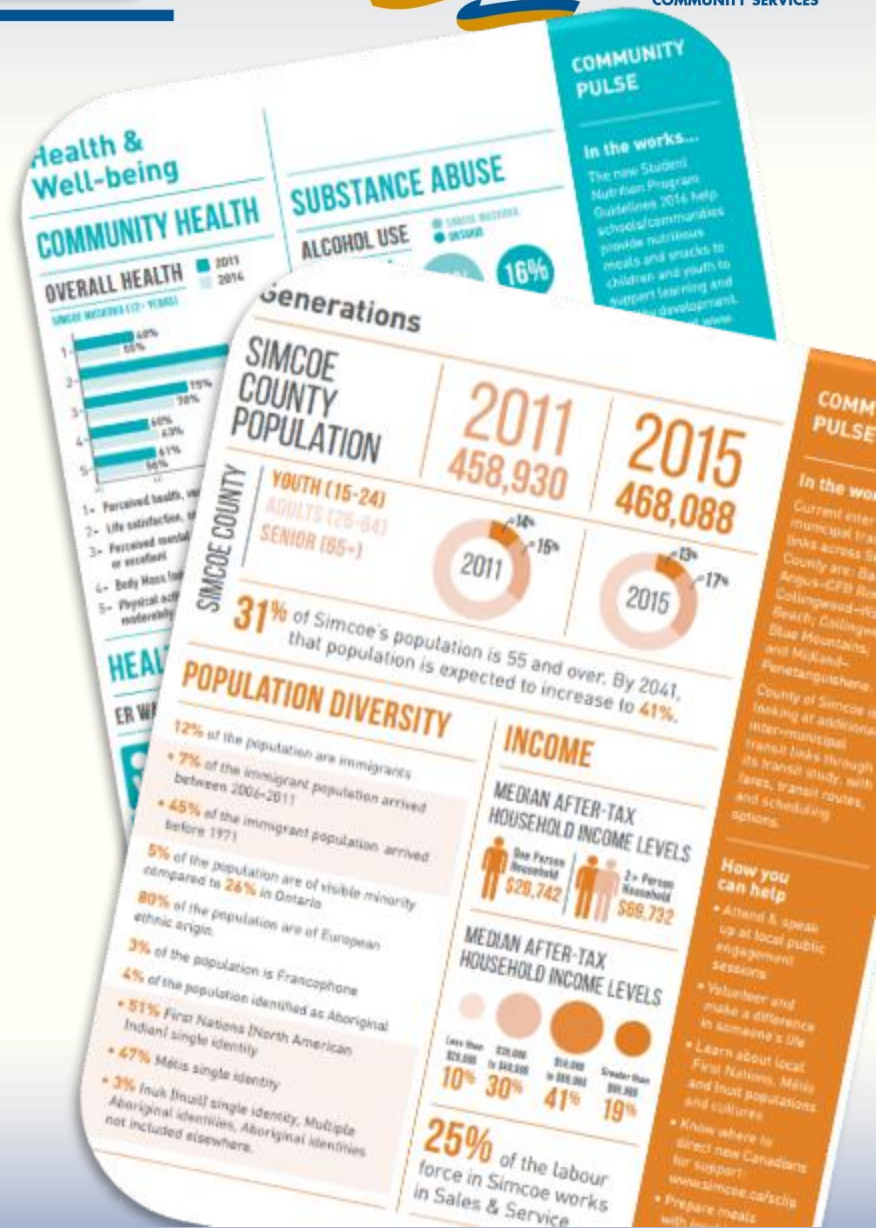 - Education
  - Lone Parents
  - Mobility
  - Language
  - Employment

Vital Signs 2016

- United Way of Simcoe Muskoka

- Simcoe Muskoka's VitalSigns® report is a community snapshot of the regional quality of life and the community vitality

- Diverse datasets available through CDP website were used to complete the report

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