

## **Making a Comeback in Surrey**

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Project Comeback is an innovative pilot project that is turning the tide on homelessness in Surrey. Targeting homeless day labourers, the Project enables participants to achieve and maintain full-time, sustainable employment and independent housing.

The Project is the first of its kind in Canada, combining employment assistance and placement, community referrals, counseling, life skills training and assistance in finding rental housing.

Saira Khan, Project Coordinator, stated, "Providing a continuum of support is key, as most participants face multiple barriers."



Of the 39 participants impacted by Project Comeback to date, 31 are employed, with 13 having achieved at least 12 weeks of continuous employment.

Other benefits are also becoming apparent:

- The publicity surrounding the project is helping to erode negative stereotypes about the homeless.
- The business community is engaging in active partnerships with service providers to address homelessness.
- There has been a reduction in visible homelessness and the demand for homelessness services.



[To learn more about Surrey's Project Comeback, click here.](#)

### **Related Links:**

- [Project Comeback Vision Document](#)

