



**STAFF REPORT
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**Mental Health Commission of Canada Research
Demonstration Project: Request for Authority to
Implement Toronto Site Project and Provide National
Streets to Homes Training**

Date:	March 30, 2009
To:	Community Development and Recreation Committee
From:	General Manager, Shelter, Support and Housing Administration
Wards:	All
Reference Number:	

SUMMARY

This report advises that a subsequent report will be included on the Supplementary Agenda for the April 16, 2009 meeting of the Community Development and Recreation Committee. The report will seek approval of a number of recommendations related to a Shelter, Support and Housing Administration (SSHA) joint proposal with the Centre for Research on Inner City Health at St. Michael’s Hospital (CRICH) to undertake a research demonstration project, under a national program of the Mental Health Commission of Canada (MHCC).

Financial Impact

Entering into contribution agreements with the MHCC for administering funds for the Toronto Research Demonstration Project on Mental Health and Homelessness will have a \$0 net impact on the 2009 budget and on subsequent budgets.

DECISION HISTORY

This report and the subsequent report to be included on the Supplementary Agenda, responds to the MHCC November 2008 Request for Applications for research demonstration projects on mental health and homelessness in five cities across Canada including Toronto. The MHCC funding is to be awarded in each city to a consortium of

researchers, service providers, governments and persons with lived experience of mental illness and homelessness.

SSHA along with the CRICH submitted a joint proposal to the MHCC. An amended proposal and budget have been submitted and approval is anticipated in early April 2009.

ISSUE BACKGROUND

The report to be submitted on the Supplementary Agenda will provide information on the background of this issue.

COMMENTS

Details will be provided through the staff report on the Supplementary Agenda.

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