

Phase One Summary Report

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WHAT IS THE FUTURE OF HOME: INCLUSIVE HOUSING SOLUTIONS LAB?

The Future of Home: Inclusive Housing Solutions Lab draws on the principles of human-centred design and social innovation to generate new and creative housing and support models that are accessible, affordable, and support the social inclusion of people with developmental disabilities. The Future of Home Lab is a collaboration between Skills Society, Inclusion Alberta, Civida (formerly Capital Region Housing) and Homeward Trust. Lab participants included people with developmental disabilities, their families and allies, service providers, funders, architects, advocates, and housing developers. Through its Phase 1 work, Lab participants generated and tested a number of prototypes to address different challenge areas, ultimately collaborating on a single prototype model that would lead to more inclusive apartment-style living for people with disabilities. A bonus 'spin off' prototype of an enhanced property management service was also generated and will be further explored as part of Phase 2.

APPROACH:

needs, making prototypes.

Human Centered Design (HCD) is a well established approach to collaborative problem solving that helps teams co-design solutions with deep stakeholder insights. This Lab incorporated the following 5 phases anchored in HCD process principles:

1. EMPATHY: Sharing stories and conversations through scrappy ethnographic research (e.g. interviews, in context hang outs, observation), empathy mapping (i.e. developing personas or use cases), and system mapping (e.g. Rich Picture Mapping, Iceberg Analysis, ZIP analysis). empathy 2. DEFINE: 5. TEST: define test Checking prototypes Making sense of needs and HUMAN with community. insights from stories, developing **CENTRED** "how might we" questions. **DESIGN PROCESS** prototype 4. PROTOTYPE: 3. IDEATE: Choosing ideas that could meet Brainstorming, getting ideas from

other fields, co-designing with

community (e.g. journey mapping).



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LAB TOOLS & REPORTS

Below is a summary of lab tools used by participants to support the lab process as well as reports that were collectively generated. Clicking the linked bullets below will allow you to view each tool and report in full.

1. Lab Tools

Empathy: Learning about the challenge

- Primer Document
- Lab Brief Scattered Site Model
- ▶ Lab Brief Shared Community Model
- Personas
- Team Charter
- ▶ Think Jar Collective Social Innovation Lab Field Guide

Define: Research and sense making

- Think Jar Collective Exploring the Challenge and Creating Iterview Questions
- ► Think Jar Collective Summarizing Insights from Interviews
- ► Think Jar Collective Summarizing Insights from Articles, Literature and Other Media Reviews
- Insights Matrix Scattered Site Model
- Insights Matrix Shared Community Model
- Criteria Cards
- Gaps & Next Steps Canvas Scattered Site Model
- ▶ Gaps & Next Steps Canvas Shared Community Model

Ideate: Brainstorming and building on ideas of others

- Design Criteria and Min Specs Solution Criteria
- ► Three Horizons Canvas Scattered Site Model
- Three Horizons Canvas Shared Community Model

Prototype: Visualising prototypes

 Prototype Model Canvases - Prototype Evaluation and Testing Workbook

Test: Checking the prototypes with key stakeholders & community

Stakeholder Testing Tool

Phase 1 Prototypes

- Prototype Booklet Community Connectors
- Prototype Booklet The Commons

LAB TOOLS & REPORTS Continued

- Prototype Video Community Connectors
- Prototype Video The Commons
- Graphic Recording Scattered Site Model
- Graphic Recording Shared Community Model

2. What We're Learning

- Mini-Documentary
- Insights from Prototype Testing with Stakeholders
- Strategic Learning Brief What Makes a House a Home
- Strategic Learning Brief Addressing Tensions in Building an Inclusive Home Life for People with Disabilities
- Strategic Learning Brief A Portfolio of Possibilities
- ➤ Strategic Learning Brief What We Are Learning: Design, Delivery, and Evaluation of the Future of Home Lab
- Roadmap Report A Look at Where We Are At Present and Where We Are Headed



Visit our website to view the mini-documentary and stay up to date with Phase 2 of the Future of Home Lab:

https://skillssociety.ca/projects/future-of-homeinclusive-housing-solutions-lab/



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