



# Provincial Prevention Priorities



## Homelessness & Housing Insecurity

Homelessness and housing insecurity in Alberta are complex and growing challenges driven by factors such as rising housing costs, economic instability, mental health and addiction issues and systemic barriers to support services. Many individuals and families struggle to access stable, affordable housing, leaving them at risk of eviction, temporary shelter reliance or living in unsafe conditions.



## Mental Health & Addictions

Many Albertans experience challenges related to mental health and addictions. The province also continues to face an opioid crisis, with alarming rates of drug poisoning and overdoses. These issues have profound impacts on the wellbeing of individuals, families and communities.



## Employment

Unemployment remains a challenge in Alberta, affecting individuals and families across the province. Job losses and economic uncertainty contribute to financial instability and can create barriers to long-term employment. Fluctuations in the job market impact many Albertans, highlighting the ongoing issue of unemployment and its broader effects on communities.



## Family and Sexual Violence

Family and sexual violence are critical concerns that can lead to significant and lasting physical, emotional, and psychological effects. These impacts can create substantial barriers to safety, well-being and stability. Survivors often encounter difficulties in obtaining necessary support and the repercussions can extend beyond individuals to affect families, workplaces, and the wider community.



## Aging Well in Community

Alignment of health, housing, and community-based services can create safe and supportive environments for Albertans to age well in the community. According to the Canadian Institute for Health Information (CIHI), it is estimated that 11% of people in continuing care could live at home with the right community based supports in place. Approaches to integrate healthcare and community-based supports are essential to enable Albertans to age in their homes.