



1678 Bloor Street West 2nd Floor, Toronto, Ontario M6P 1A9
Tel: (416) 516.1422 Ext: 263 Fax: (416) 516.1344
www.thedreamteam.ca



July 6, 2020

Recovery For All Endorsement

More info: recoveryforall.ca

The Dream Team is a group of psychiatric consumer/survivors, people with lived experience of addiction and homelessness, and individuals supporting families. We advocate for the development of more supportive housing for people with mental health and addiction issues and educate against stigma and discrimination.

We believe that providing supportive housing is the first step to people living independently and having healthy lives. We support the “Recovery For All” campaign because there needs to be an increase in the development of supportive housing units, to eliminate the 17,000 person waiting list in the City of Toronto.

The Dream Team believes in the Housing First approach and advocates for continued support to ensure that people have the resources that they need to maintain their housing. It costs the province only \$55 a day to house someone who has experienced homelessness, addiction issues, or mental illness in supportive housing. This type of housing then allows that person to receive supports that contribute to improved self-esteem, increased productivity, readiness for work and employment, and reduced need for social assistance.

To The Dream Team, “Recovery For All” means the elimination of homelessness, an end to the stigmatization of mental illness and people living with addiction, decreased poverty, and a boost to the Canadian economy, among many other benefits.

Sincerely,

The Dream Team Members