

Homeless Outreach Program (HOP) and the Homeless Prevention Program (HPP)

Both the Homeless Outreach Program (HOP) and the Homeless Prevention Program (HPP) are initiatives aimed at providing individuals in identified at-risk groups facing homelessness with portable rent supplements and support services to help them access rental housing in the private (non-subsidized) housing market.

The main difference between them is their focus: the [Homeless Outreach Program \(HOP\)](#) helps people who are *already homeless* find shelter, while the [Homeless Prevention Program \(HPP\)](#) assists those at *high risk of becoming homeless* to maintain housing. HOP provides immediate support like finding shelter, while HPP focuses on long-term stability with rent supplements.

Canada-BC Housing Benefit (CBCHB) Program

Housing benefits are given to eligible renters who are identified as a priority group in need of housing. This will continue until the available funding runs out for a given fiscal year.

This benefit is distributed by non-profit or other community providers who serve vulnerable populations or directly by BC Housing. It helps people who are not served by our other rental assistance programs.