

Katelyn Lucas is a Métis woman who has been working within the Indigenous Community over the past 20 years, with a strong focus on homelessness and vulnerable populations. Katelyn has engaged on many levels from front-line, to leadership. At present she is the Executive Director of the Elizabeth Fry Society of Calgary, and Co-Chair of the Aboriginal Standing Committee on Housing and Homelessness (ASCHH).

Katelyn's skills include community engagement and partnership collaboration. She is also a curriculum developer and has written content for Indigenous educational institutions and programs for secondary schools. Katelyn has spent many years providing cultural awareness training, facilitating workshops, and developing wellness programs for First Nation peoples and communities. Katelyn's strength is in analyzing and restructuring programming to align within a culturally competent framework. Additionally, she designs evaluation tools and processes to enhance the outcome potential of programming and services.

Katelyn's body of work has been primarily focused on homeless Indigenous populations, and addressing the gaps and issues that are barriers to urban and rural First Nation communities. Through the development of positive relationships with the Stoney Nakoda and Tsuut'ina Tribal Council (G4), government partners, Indigenous partnering agencies, and community members from the urban centre and neighboring First Nations, Katelyn has participated in many funding panels, projects, community consultations, and think tanks to help identify culturally appropriate options for housing homeless Indigenous populations.