

Job Posting

Edmonton Coalition on Housing and Homelessness: 40 Years of ECOHH

Posting Date: 07/20/2026

Apply Before: 08/21/2026

Job Title: Researcher/Historian

Type: Contract

Benefits: None

Job Schedule: Part time contract, flexible hours

Location: Edmonton, AB, Canada

Hours Per Month: Approximately 30 hours per month for six months.

Hourly Contract Range: \$35 - \$45 per hour to a maximum of \$8,000 (GST included.)

About the Job: This position has a set time span of six-seven months. All work must be completed by April 15, 2027.

Applications are invited for a researcher/historian contract position with the Edmonton Coalition on Housing and Homelessness, and to work under the direction of a project team comprised of Jim Gurnett, (content advisor/lead), Eric Rice, (financial and project management), and Dr. Joshua Evans (University of Alberta, academic advisor)

The goal of this project is to research, compile, document, and catalogue historical materials that relate to the story of the growth of housing insecurity and homelessness in Edmonton over the last forty years, organized around the history of the Edmonton Coalition on Housing and Homelessness (ECOHH), an advocacy and educational non-profit organization with a forty-year history in Edmonton.

The role of the researcher/historian will be to work, primarily independently, to:

- document and categorize existing ECOHH resources (files, reports, electronic files, etc.)
- carry on further research into individuals associated with ECOHH over its lifespan
- research and document media (newspaper, radio, tv) resources related to ECOHH's activities over its lifespan
- research the City of Edmonton archives and Province of Alberta archives to locate reports, submissions, or discussion papers ECOHH generated over its lifespan
- research and document ancillary information that situates the 40-year timeline of ECOHH activities within the housing and homelessness situation in Edmonton
- prepare a final report as appropriate.

Qualifications

Requirements: Completed post-secondary degree in a research-intensive discipline such as history, or another degree related to public policy, non-profit organizations, or social issues.

Demonstrated initiative, independence, organization, and productivity.

Excellent communication, interpersonal, organizational and time management skills.

Excellent writing ability.

Excellent computer skills using MS Word, Excel, Office, and internet applications.

Sensitivity to ethics issues; ability to maintain privacy and confidentiality.

The following qualifications are an asset:

Ongoing Masters-level work or studies in a related field.

Demonstrated interest and experience in housing, homelessness, and related social issues.

Demonstrated experience in archival research with the City of Edmonton Archives or the Provincial Archives of Alberta.

Contract Type:

This is a contract position that is not eligible for benefits. Successful applicants are expected to provide their own office, computer equipment, internet services, and transportation. Costs such as photocopying, printing, and parking will be reimbursed.

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Application Instructions

Interested applicants should send an indication of interest to the Edmonton Coalition on Housing and Homelessness along with a current résumé. All applicants will receive a response. Selected applicants will receive a project scope and process document for review prior to an in-person or online interview.

Please submit your letter of interest to ecohhmembership@gmail.com