

# SITUATION TABLES

## A HUB MODEL FOR COMMUNITY SAFETY IN BRITISH COLUMBIA

### What is a Situation Table?

Situation Tables identify and reduce the risks present in the lives of vulnerable people. The table enables agencies to:

- Proactively identify risks through real time information sharing
- Leverage and coordinate existing community assets and relationships
- Plan and deliver collaborative interventions before an incident response is required
- Reduce the level of risk with which vulnerable people are living

### What Does a Situation Table Do?

#### Participating agencies:

- Meet regularly for 60 to 90 minutes
- Refer situations when it appears a client is facing risks that extend beyond their mandate
- Use an Information Sharing Protocol to determine if the referred client is living with acutely elevated risk

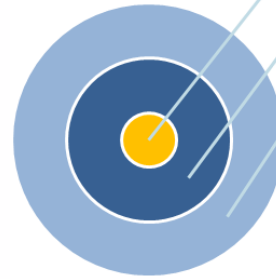
#### People Living with Acutely Elevated Risk:

- Risk factors are beyond the scope of any two participating agencies
- Recent events have increased the probability of harm or victimization
- Conditions have reached a point where a crisis is foreseeable

#### If the referral is accepted:

- Relevant agencies share sufficient information to determine risk factors
- Plan an intervention to occur within 24-48 hours

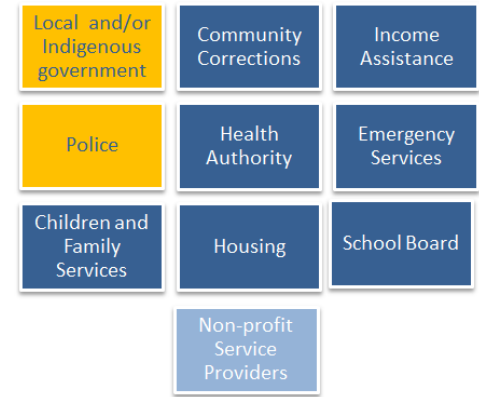
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Champions

Primary Partners

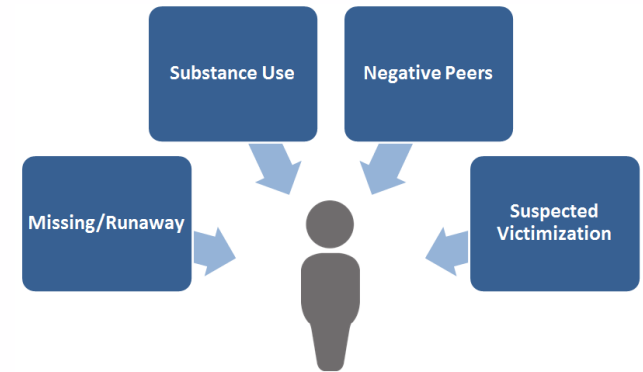
Secondary Partners



### How do Situation Tables Work?



### Who do Situation Tables Serve?



### Benefits of Situation Tables

#### Partner Agencies are able to:

- Establish clear rules and procedures for information sharing
- Identify at-risk or vulnerable people
- Proactively connect people to appropriate risk mitigation services
- Share responsibility for personal wellbeing and community safety

#### Communities are able to:

- Reduce demand on emergency and police services; and
- Improves residents' wellbeing

#### Clients are able to:

- Increase their awareness and use of services
- Reduce their risk of harm or victimization

### How is Information Shared?

