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One House Many Nations: Policy, Practice, & Practicalities

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ABSTRACT

Idle No More's One House Many Nations (OHMN) initiative works to address the dire housing situation on First Nations and other Indigenous communities. This initiative has brought much-needed attention and awareness to the housing crisis and homelessness that affects Canadians and Indigenous peoples, while making a difference by building housing and supports for land defense, including the Muskrat Hut. The Muskrat Hut is an off-grid (solar-powered and wood stove heated) mobile centre with an incinerator toilet (zero waste), water catchment/storage system, shower/change room, and wash up sinks to support living on the land. The Muskrat Hut project was a finalist in the Team category in the Science, Technology, Innovation and Collaboration Award in 2019.

Most recently, One House Many Nations' *Making the Shift* research is working with youth in four First Nations (Opaskwayak, Big River, Yellowknife, Brokenhead) to build four homes on-reserve with and for the homelessness in these communities. Dr Wilson is collaborating with the Mino Bimaadiziwin Partnership to fund Treetudents and two Homebuildersfour architecture students, two Homebuilder students and three professors who assisted in building the Muskrat Hut in Opaskwayak Cree Nation (OCN) and are now currently helping design homes with homeless people in the four reserve communities.

PRESENTER



Dr. Alex Wilson, Opaskwayak Cree Nation, is a professor with the Department of Educational Foundations and the Academic Director of the Aboriginal Education Research Centre at the University of Saskatchewan. Her teaching and research focuses on Indigenous land-based education, Queering education and land protection through sustainable housing.



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