

# Mobile Detox Unit

A dedicated outreach team working to rehabilitate Socially Chronic Clients in the community

## What is it?

The Mobile Detox Unit (MDU) is a mobile engagement tool used to reach Socially Chronic Clients (SCCs) on the North Shore. The MDU provides on-site detox services as well as offering information and connections to further rehabilitation services.



## Why is it needed?

The purpose of this project is to connect SCCs to the resources they need. The problem is there is not enough trained personnel to support the number of SCCs on the North Shore. This mobile model of support will be able to efficiently interact with significantly more SCCs than just responses to crisis situations. It offers a proactive approach to assisting SCCs to become functional members of society.

This project addresses Goal 3.2 of the Official Community Plan: Safeguard the community and protect life, property and the environment.



## How does it work?

- The MDU operates out of a fully-equipped van with on-site detox capabilities.
- The unit is composed of specially-trained RCMP officers and outreach workers from Turning Point Recovery.
- The unit interacts with SCCs either on-site or can refer them to an in-house rehabilitation model
- The unit is able to track SCCs for further mobile treatment in the future
- The unit can act as a follow-up for crisis situations

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