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The Coalition Coordinated By the Black Community Housing Advisory Table Urges For Donations to the Operation of the Emergency Crisis Response for Asylum Seekers in the Greater Toronto and Hamilton Area (GTHA).

Toronto, ON - July 20, 2023 - The Coalition Coordinated By the Black Community Housing Advisory Table (BCHAT) will be issuing a press release tomorrow, July 21, 2023 to provide an update on the status of the operation of the Emergency Crisis Response for Asylum Seekers. This Response was prepared by community organizations due to the lack of government care towards the issue.

We urgently require donations to maintain the temporary emergency accommodations, food, toiletries, transportation, health, and other supports provided to Asylum seekers. Those willing to contribute can make donations at https://blacknorth.ca/donate/.

About BCHAT: The Black Community Housing Advisory Table (BCHAT) is a collaborative network of Black leaders, Black-led, and Black-serving organizations committed to eliminating housing inequity for Black residents across the Greater Toronto and Hamilton Area (GTHA).

Organizations that are part of the Coalition contributing to the Emergency Crisis Response for Asylum Seekers include:

- African Centre for Refugees
- All Saints Toronto
- Black Opportunity Fund
- Center for Refugee Children
- Christie Refugee Welcome Centre
- CP Planning
- EVA's Initiative
- FCJ Refugee Centre
- Foundation for Black Communities
- Dominion Church Toronto
- Margaret's Housing and Community Support Services
- Matthew House
- Network for the Advancement of Black Communities
- New Nakfa
- Ontario Council of Agencies Serving Immigrants OCASI and
- Revival Time Tabernacle

- Romero House
- Rwandan Canadian Healing Centre (RCHC)
- Sistering
- Sojourn House
- Street Haven
- The Peoples Church
- The Toronto Drop-in Network
- Unity Health St. Michael's Hospital
- Workers Action Centre
- and many other amazing organizations and people