

# QUARTERLY NEWSLETTER

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## “ A message from the team

Welcome to our first newsletter! Each edition will bring you updates on our progress, insights into current activities, details about upcoming events, and useful resources. We look forward to keeping you engaged and informed as we continue our work together.

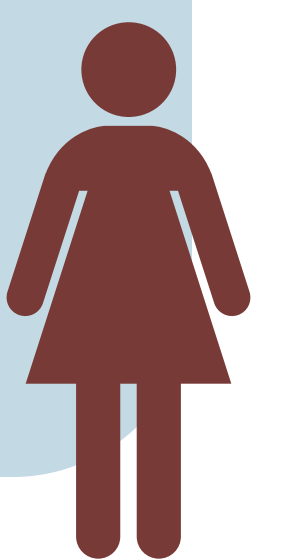
## ✓ Progress Updates

- Commentary: "**Addressing Poverty and Homelessness is Central to an Equity-Focused Response to Climate Change: Considering Canada as an Example**" published in the *International Journal of Homelessness*.
- Scoping review: "**Climate Change, Poverty, and Health: A Scoping Review of the Canadian Context**" published in the *Journal of Climate Change and Health*.
- Rapid Review: "**Assessing the Health Impacts of Extreme Heat on Individuals Experiencing Homelessness**" submitted to *Environmental International*.
- Commentary: "**Addressing Migrants in the National Adaptation Strategies: A Critical Assessment and Future Pathways**" to be submitted to *Lancet*

## 📄 Current Activities

### Women's Health:

- Finalizing the first draft of a media discourse analysis titled "Women in the Midst: An Intersectionality Study of Canadian Climate Change, Poverty, and Health Media Discourses."
- A systematic review is currently in progress, examining the global impact of exposure to extreme weather events on the health and well-being of women living in poverty, with screening currently underway.



### Older Adults:

- A scoping review examining the health impacts of climate change on older adults is currently being planned and initiated.



## Children and Youth:

- Developed the research question and search strategy for a scoping review on the effects of climate change on the learning and development of children and youth living in poverty, with a focus on schools.

## “Facing Climate Change in Poverty” Research:

- This project is in the recruitment phase, exploring climate-health risks for individuals living in poverty in Canada through expert interviews, including those with lived experience. So far, 21 interviews have been conducted.

## Participatory Action Research

- The *Bindian* project documents and shares Indigenous Benguet immigrants' planting practices and uses their traditional dance for community storytelling.
- The *Bridging Barriers* project fosters dialogue between immigrant youth and policymakers to address housing challenges for African newcomers, using video for community engagement.

## Other Initiatives:

- **Curriculum Development:** Developing a course for the public on climate change's health impacts, with a focus on vulnerable populations and resilience strategies.
- **New Website:** In the process of creating a new website.
- **Infographics:** Creating infographics for widespread distribution to policymakers, advocacy groups, and others in the field.



## Publications from our Network

1 **Berie et al., 2024:** “Poverty (Number 1 Goal of the SDG) of Disabled People through Disability Studies and Ability Studies Lenses: A Scoping Review”

2 **Tetzlaff et al., 2024:** ““Death Is a Possibility for Those without Shelter”: A Thematic Analysis of News Coverage on Homelessness and the 2021 Heat Dome in Canada”



## Upcoming Events

**October 2nd, 2024**

Intersectionality mini think tank: Older adult asylum seekers

**October 8th, 2024**

Intersectionality mini think tank: Disability

**October 30th, 2024**

Community Advisory Committee Meeting

**In the works:** 1) French Language mini think tank, 2) Policy think tank

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