

FIRST NATIONS HOUSING IN SASKATOON: A SURVEY OF CRESS HOUSING CLIENTS

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Introduction

The Bridges and Foundations Project on Urban Aboriginal Housing, an initiative of the Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada and the Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation, contracted with the Saskatoon Tribal Council to conduct a survey of clients of Cress Housing Corporation, an affiliate of the Saskatoon Tribal Council which provides affordable homes to First Nations people in Saskatoon.

The survey was prepared and supervised by Dr. Alan Anderson of the Dept. of Sociology, University of Saskatchewan (Research Director of the Bridges and Foundations Project). A research assistant, Linda Pechawis, was employed by the Bridges and Foundations Project to conduct interviews with as many Cress households as possible. These interviews were conducted during contracted appraisals of energy efficiency in Cress homes by EnerGuide for Houses (directed by Keith Hanson, who was also a director of the Bridges and Foundations Project and of the Affordable New Homes Development Foundation in Saskatoon). This had the advantage of gaining access to these households, however the disadvantage that time was quite restricted (typically to little more than half an hour), effectively limiting the time available to respondents for discussion and elaboration. Within the contracted time period, interviews were successfully conducted with sixty-three households by April 01, 2003. The subsequent data compilation and analysis was done by Rebecca Hatten, a research assistant employed as a data analyst by the Project, and this final report written by Dr. Anderson in December 2004.

“Respondents” refer to the principal householder who was interviewed (sample of 63), although data were also gathered on all other household occupants, thus on

approximately 200 residents, in order to determine the size and relational complexity of each household.

The Bridges and Foundations Project is grateful for the opportunity provided by Barry Down, Manager of Cress Housing Corp., and the Saskatoon Tribal Council to collect pertinent information allowing a detailed profile of Cress clients, their concerns and opinions. We are also particularly appreciative of the openness demonstrated by these residents in voicing their views. It is through such candid honesty, contributing to our understanding, that improvement in affordable housing for Aboriginal people can be made.

Data Analysis

Family Composition of Households

The family composition of the Cress Housing households most often consisted of three people within the household, occurring at a frequency of 23.8% (15 households out of 63); however households with four and six occupants occurred almost as frequently at 22.2% (14) respectively. Households having five occupants were next in ranking at 11.1% (7), and one household had eight occupants, another nine or more occupants.

Dependent children were found in a very high proportion (90.5%) of households. One-third of these children were between 15-19 years of age, 27% were between 10-14 years, 9.5% were 25 years old or older, and the remaining 30% were under 15 years old. A mother was identified in 73% (46) of the households, with an average age of 30-39. A father was identified in 46% (29) of the households, with an average age also between 30-39 years. Other members identified within the household were a grandmother (8%), grandfather (4.8%), aunt (1.6%), nephew (6.4%), niece (6.4%), or grandchildren (11%). This would suggest, therefore, that a relatively small number of families were of the extended rather than nuclear sort (ie. including relatives other than father, mother, and their children).

Migration and Mobility

The residents in Cress Housing have tended to be long-term residents of Saskatoon more than short-term. Two-thirds (42) have lived in Saskatoon for over ten years; 7.9% (5) for nine years, , 4.8% (3) for five or six years, 6.3% (4) for three years, and only 1.6% (1) for less than a year.

For those who are not originally from Saskatoon, almost half (49.2%=31) came to Saskatoon from a reserve, more than a third (38.1%=24) moved from another city, and

only about one in ten (9.5%=6) came from a smaller community off reserve (3.2%=2 did not reply to this question).

More than a third of the respondents (35%=17) identified educational opportunities as a primary reason for migration to Saskatoon. Family considerations were mentioned by 19% of the respondents. Work and employment opportunities attracted 20.7% (13) of the respondents. Health reasons were mentioned by 12.7% (8) of the respondents. Other reasons included a wide variety of individual responses such as escaping from violence and alcohol/drug abuse on reserve, previous urban experience, the respondent "always liked Saskatoon", poor living conditions on reserve, proximity of Saskatoon to a reserve, etc.

41.3% (26) of respondents indicated that they have previously lived in another city, and 11.2% (7) said that they would likely live in another city, whereas 27.0% (17) said that they have not had previous urban experience, and 38.1% (24) said that they would not live in another city.

A majority of respondents (57.1%=36) declared that they would not return to the reserve to live, 9.5% (6) said they would definitely return to the reserve, and 31.7% (20) said that they may return sometime. Those who intended to return to the reserve commented that they would do so after retirement or when they were older, or if there was suitable housing, or if there were jobs on the reserve, or provided that they had a vehicle to travel. 68.3% (43) of those interviewed did not respond; moreover many of those who did respond were cautious about poor conditions and lower standard of living on the reserve..

Many respondents had lived in their homes for an extended period of time. 20.6% (13) had lived in their present home for ten or more years, 23.8% (15) for six to nine years, 17.5% (11) for three to five years, 25.4% (16) for one to two years, and. 11.1% (7) for less than one year. A majority (55.6%=35) had lived in only one other house in Saskatoon prior to their current home, 15.9% (10) had lived in two others, 7.9% (5) in

three others, 3.2%(2) in four others, and 7.9%(5) have not lived in any other house in Saskatoon besides their present home.

Satisfaction with Cress Housing

When questioned as to why respondents chose Cress Housing, an overwhelming majority (79.5%=50) noted low rental rates and affordability. Yet a wide variety of reasons were given, also including that housing was supplied by an Aboriginal organization, that respondent had rented from Cress previously, that Cress houses were well-maintained, that Cress houses included yards where children could play, that there was enough room for families, that a house was preferred over an apartment, that the reserve helped to get a suitable house.

Satisfaction rates among occupants were high. 52.4% (33) were very satisfied, 20.6% (13) were somewhat satisfied, 11.1% (7) were neutral, and only 7.9% (5) claimed that they were dissatisfied. Maintenance was a key issue for residents, but just one respondent went so far as to suggest that the house “needs a lot of work”. Individual responses expressed preference for a bungalow, a garage, a basement.

Asked about their satisfaction specifically with the general condition of their home, 47.6% (30 households) were very satisfied, 20.6% (13) somewhat satisfied, 6.3% (4) neutral, 17.5% (11) somewhat dissatisfied, and 6.3% (4) very dissatisfied. 30.2% (19 households) suggested that their homes were in good condition, 20.6% (13) reported that minor repairs were needed and 9.5% (6) that major repairs were needed. The repairs needed included doors, windows, yards, basement flooding, painting, new appliances, poor air circulation and heating.

In accordance with Cress Housing policy, rent is adjusted to the renter's income; renters typically are required to pay 25% of their income, thus guaranteeing affordability. Given the wide variation in incomes, there was a corresponding variation in rents paid. The greatest percentage of people (22.2%=14) paid \$100-\$199 in rent per month, 19% (12)

paid \$400-\$499, 12.7% (8) paid \$500-\$599, 6.3% (4) paid less than \$100, and 4.8% (3) paid more than \$600.

Yet despite this attempt to guarantee affordability, we learned that in questioning about perceived barriers to home ownership, financial issues in general were the most commonly perceived barriers, mentioned by over half (52.4%=33) of the respondents. The down payment was cited as an obstacle by many respondents (17.5%=11). Other obstacles mentioned included: the problem of having a bad credit rating, the lack of job opportunities, contributing to financial (and likely also domestic) instability, lack of familiarity with the procedures for purchasing a home, disagreement in the family over type of home desired, indebtedness, not wanting to move children from the neighborhood with which they have become familiar, the big commitment required to buy a new home, etc.

In questioning respondents about the ideal type of home they would eventually like to purchase, 27% (17) described a split-level with yard and garage, 9.5% (6) preferred (more realistically) a small bungalow, 9.5% (6) wanted lots of bedrooms – in fact almost all responses included the desire for more bedrooms, and 44.5% (28) would prefer a garage.

The Neighbourhood Location

The survey revealed somewhat conflicting results in degree of contentment with the locality of their home. Asked about their satisfaction with the neighborhood, the majority (57.1%=36) said that they were very satisfied, 20.6% (13) were somewhat satisfied, 7.9% (5) neutral, 6.3% (4) somewhat dissatisfied, and 6.3% (4) very dissatisfied. However, asked more specifically what they liked or disliked about their neighborhood, sources of satisfaction were good neighbors, quiet, proximity to schools, access to services, green space, little traffic, safety....Yet a variety of negative factors were also mentioned: a high and increasing crime rate, gangs and kids “hanging around”, dislike for some neighbors, racism, lack of services, proximity to busy traffic arteries (especially

dangerous to kids walking to school), noisy and obtrusive pets, close to train tracks, distance from schools, small yards (spoiled by drug users.....“we can’t even let the kids out in their own back yard”)....

With reference to desirable ethnic composition of the neighborhood, 47.6% (30) claimed that it really did not matter. A small number of respondents (4.8%=3) would feel more comfortable with a higher proportion of Aboriginals in their neighborhood, whereas a larger number (17.5%=11) would prefer a lower proportion of Aboriginal residents, while the largest number (22.2%=14) felt that perhaps “half and half” would be ideal (it is noteworthy, though, that this proportion would currently represent the estimated highest proportion of Aboriginal population in any particular neighborhood in Saskatoon: Pleasant Hill). 4.8% (3) of respondents simply advocated a good mix of all races.

Localized provision of all services (employment, shops, food, medical, cultural and community activities and facilities) were important to 60.3% (38) of respondents, and most of these services to another 12.7% (8); 17.5% (11) claimed some of these services were important, and 9.5% (6) said very few of these services seemed important to them.

Final Comments

Finally, in summarizing problems they perceived with home ownership, 68.3% (43) did not choose to comment further. 14.3% (9) cited repair costs and 4.8% (3) the need to finish the basement; and other problems mentioned included inadequate space for the size of family, the base rent being on net rather than gross income, the home having been robbed (several times), a need for accommodating physical disability (eg. wheelchair access), the limited availability of Cress housing (especially given the long term residency of many clients), the need for Cress to assess clients in more depth in providing a proper home, the need for more assistance in learning procedures for home ownership and maintenance.

APPENDIX 1.0

SURVEY QUESTIONNAIRE

"Bridges and Foundations"

Questions for Reserve Based Participants

Instructions to Interviewer:

This interview is to be very casual and non-intimidating. An open-ended style of interviewing is intended to help accumulate basic information pertaining to aboriginal family composition (nuclear and extended family considerations); why aboriginal people are moving to Saskatoon; what neighborhoods they are moving into and why; what their level of satisfaction is in relation to their current housing situation; and their aspirations in relation to becoming homeowners – i.e. what kind of community and services these people feel would best suit their needs.

This survey will be done in conjunction with the EnerGuide For Houses evaluation that will be happening in the house at the same time.

Location: _____

Family Composition:

1. How many people live in this home?
2. What are the relationships of the people living in this home – i.e. parents, children, grandparents, extended family, etc.?
3. What are the ages of everyone living in this home?

Migration :

4. If you have not always lived on the reserve where did you live? How long did you live there?
5. If you lived somewhere else, why did you move back and forth? (school, employment, etc.)
6. Are you thinking of moving off the reserve at any time during the next 5 years? Why? (school, employment, etc.)
7. Where would you most likely move to?

**Questions Dealing Specifically
with Houses and Homeownership**

8. If you were going to move to a city, what kind of house would you like to have? (size, bedrooms, style, features, etc.)

9. If you moved to the city,
would you like to own
your home?

a) Is there anything that
might prevent you
from becoming a home
owner?

10. If you moved to the city
please describe the kind of
community would you like
to live in? (% Aboriginal,
access to schools,
employment, recreational
activities, shops, food
stores, cultural activities,
a mixed community,
transportation, medical
facilities, community
programs, etc.)

Bridges and Foundations Research Project
Dr. Alan Anderson, University of Saskatchewan

Building functional, sustainable relationships between Aboriginal and non-Aboriginal organizations to design and develop culturally supportive communities and quality, affordable housing options.

Consent Agreement

Name: _____

Address: _____

I understand that this interview is being done to help the Bridges and Foundations research project become better able to understand Aboriginal housing realities and needs.

I agree to allow this information to be used for the Bridges and Foundations project however, it is understood that participant's names are confidential and will not be identified in any way.

I hereby give my signed consent.

(Name of Participant)

(Name of Interviewer)

(Date)

APPENDIX 2.0

FREQUENCY TABLES

Frequencies

Statistics

		How many people live in this home?	Adult	Mother	Step-mother	Common-law mother
N	Valid	63	59	63	63	63
	Missing	0	4	0	0	0
Mean		4.41	.51	2.48	.00	.00
Median		4.00	.00	2.00	.00	.00
Mode		3	0	2	0	0
Std. Deviation		1.691	2.549	3.914	.000	.000
Variance		2.859	6.496	15.318	.000	.000
Range		8	19	19	0	0
Minimum		1	0	0	0	0
Maximum		9	19	19	0	0

Statistics

		Father	Step-father	Common-law father	Grandmother	Grandfather
N	Valid	63	63	63	63	63
	Missing	0	0	0	0	0
Mean		1.46	.00	.30	.35	.22
Median		.00	.00	.00	.00	.00
Mode		0	0	0	0	0
Std. Deviation		2.651	.000	2.394	1.220	1.007
Variance		7.027	.000	5.730	1.489	1.014
Range		19	0	19	5	5
Minimum		0	0	0	0	0
Maximum		19	0	19	5	5

Statistics

		Aunt	Uncle	Guardian 1	Guardian 2	Child 1	Child 2
N	Valid	63	63	63	63	63	63
	Missing	0	0	0	0	0	0
Mean		.06	.00	.03	.02	3.59	2.30
Median		.00	.00	.00	.00	3.00	2.00
Mode		0	0	0	0	4	3
Std. Deviation		.504	.000	.252	.126	2.519	2.594
Variance		.254	.000	.063	.016	6.343	6.730
Range		4	0	2	1	19	19
Minimum		0	0	0	0	0	0
Maximum		4	0	2	1	19	19

Statistics

		Child 3	Child 4	Child 5	Child 6	Child 7	Child 8
N	Valid	63	63	63	63	63	63
	Missing	0	0	0	0	0	0
Mean		1.49	.94	.19	.08	.00	.00
Median		1.00	.00	.00	.00	.00	.00
Mode		0	0	0	0	0	0
Std. Deviation		2.620	2.558	.644	.414	.000	.000
Variance		6.867	6.544	.415	.171	.000	.000
Range		19	19	4	3	0	0
Minimum		0	0	0	0	0	0
Maximum		19	19	4	3	0	0

Statistics

		Niece	Nephew	Grandchild 1	Grandchild 2	Grandchild 3
N	Valid	63	63	63	63	63
	Missing	0	0	0	0	0
Mean		.16	.29	.29	.11	.03
Median		.00	.00	.00	.00	.00
Mode		0	0	0	0	0
Std. Deviation		.723	1.197	.831	.542	.252
Variance		.523	1.433	.691	.294	.063
Range		4	7	3	3	2
Minimum		0	0	0	0	0
Maximum		4	7	3	3	2

Statistics

		How long have you been living in S'toon?	If not is S'toon all of life, where from?	Why did you move to S'toon?	Have you lived or will you live in another city?	Do you intend to return to reserve?
N	Valid	63	63	63	63	63
	Missing	0	0	0	0	0
Mean		8.48	2.14	7.29	5.73	1.79
Median		10.00	2.00	5.00	5.00	1.00
Mode		10	1	3	9	1
Std. Deviation		2.675	3.146	5.942	3.798	2.301
Variance		7.157	9.899	35.304	14.426	5.295
Range		10	18	28	17	18
Minimum		0	1	1	2	1
Maximum		10	19	29	19	19

Statistics

		Intend to return? When?	Intend to return? Why?	How long have you lived in this home?	Have you lived in any other homes in S'toon?	If you've lived in others, why did you choose Cress Housing?
N	Valid	63	63	63	63	63
	Missing	0	0	0	0	0
Mean		57.41	3.22	3.43	1.94	5.52
Median		99.00	.00	3.00	1.00	2.00
Mode		99	0	2	1	2
Std. Deviation		48.460	12.624	2.394	2.546	5.214
Variance		2348.343	159.369	5.733	6.480	27.189
Range		99	99	18	19	18
Minimum		0	0	1	0	1
Maximum		99	99	19	19	19

Statistics

		How satisfied are you with this home?	Satisfied? Specific	How satisfied are you with the neighborhood?	Satisfied? Specific	Approximately how much rent do you pay?
N	Valid	63	63	63	63	63
	Missing	0	0	0	0	0
Mean		4.02	.60	4.41	1.98	4.24
Median		5.00	.00	5.00	.00	3.00
Mode		5	0	5	0	2
Std. Deviation		1.301	1.454	2.226	2.606	3.830
Variance		1.693	2.114	4.956	6.790	14.668
Range		4	7	18	9	19
Minimum		1	0	1	0	0
Maximum		5	7	19	9	19

Statistics

		General condition of home.	General condition of home. Specific	What is preventing you from being a homeowner?	What kind of home would you like?	Like/Dislike neighborhood
N	Valid	63	63	63	63	63
	Missing	0	0	0	0	0
Mean		4.11	8.44	4.63	10.48	4.30
Median		4.00	10.00	1.00	12.00	4.00
Mode		5	12	1	12	5
Std. Deviation		2.336	4.554	6.173	5.970	2.084
Variance		5.455	20.735	38.107	35.641	4.343
Range		18	16	20	22	17
Minimum		1	0	1	0	2
Maximum		19	16	21	22	19

Statistics

		Like neighborhood? Specific	Dislike neighborhood? Specific	What kind of community would you like to live in?	What kinds of services are important to you?	Are there any other problems about home/homeo wnership?
N	Valid	63	63	63	63	63
	Missing	0	0	0	0	0
Mean		7.43	46.78	1.67	1.76	1.16
Median		2.00	13.00	1.00	1.00	.00
Mode		0	99	0	1	0
Std. Deviation		20.849	47.204	1.867	1.058	2.404
Variance		434.668	2228.240	3.484	1.120	5.781
Range		99	99	6	3	10
Minimum		0	0	0	1	0
Maximum		99	99	6	4	10

Frequency Table

How many people live in this home?

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid 1	1	1.6	1.6	1.6
2	6	9.5	9.5	11.1
3	15	23.8	23.8	34.9
4	14	22.2	22.2	57.1
5	7	11.1	11.1	68.3
6	14	22.2	22.2	90.5
7	4	6.3	6.3	96.8
8	1	1.6	1.6	98.4
9	1	1.6	1.6	100.0
Total	63	100.0	100.0	

Adult

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid no	53	84.1	89.8	89.8
20-30	2	3.2	3.4	93.2
31-40	1	1.6	1.7	94.9
41-50	1	1.6	1.7	96.6
51-60	1	1.6	1.7	98.3
did not answer	1	1.6	1.7	100.0
Total	59	93.7	100.0	
Missing System	4	6.3		
Total	63	100.0		

Mother

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid no	14	22.2	22.2	22.2
20-30	11	17.5	17.5	39.7
31-40	22	34.9	34.9	74.6
41-50	9	14.3	14.3	88.9
51-60	3	4.8	4.8	93.7
61-70	1	1.6	1.6	95.2
did not answer	3	4.8	4.8	100.0
Total	63	100.0	100.0	

Step-mother

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid no	63	100.0	100.0	100.0

Common-law mother

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid no	63	100.0	100.0	100.0

Father

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid no	33	52.4	52.4	52.4
20-30	3	4.8	4.8	57.1
31-40	13	20.6	20.6	77.8
41-50	9	14.3	14.3	92.1
51-60	3	4.8	4.8	96.8
61-70	1	1.6	1.6	98.4
did not answer	1	1.6	1.6	100.0
Total	63	100.0	100.0	

Step-father

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid no	63	100.0	100.0	100.0

Common-law father

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid no	62	98.4	98.4	98.4
did not answer	1	1.6	1.6	100.0
Total	63	100.0	100.0	

Grandmother

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid no	58	92.1	92.1	92.1
41-50	1	1.6	1.6	93.7
51-60	1	1.6	1.6	95.2
61-70	3	4.8	4.8	100.0
Total	63	100.0	100.0	

Grandfather

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid no	60	95.2	95.2	95.2
51-60	1	1.6	1.6	96.8
61-70	2	3.2	3.2	100.0
Total	63	100.0	100.0	

Aunt

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid no	62	98.4	98.4	98.4
51-60	1	1.6	1.6	100.0
Total	63	100.0	100.0	

Uncle

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid no	63	100.0	100.0	100.0

Guardian 1

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid no	62	98.4	98.4	98.4
31-40	1	1.6	1.6	100.0
Total	63	100.0	100.0	

Guardian 2

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid no	62	98.4	98.4	98.4
20-30	1	1.6	1.6	100.0
Total	63	100.0	100.0	

Child 1

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid no	5	7.9	7.9	7.9
0-4	1	1.6	1.6	9.5
5-9	9	14.3	14.3	23.8
10-14	17	27.0	27.0	50.8
15-19	21	33.3	33.3	84.1
20-24	3	4.8	4.8	88.9
25-30	4	6.3	6.3	95.2
31 or older	2	3.2	3.2	98.4
did not answer	1	1.6	1.6	100.0
Total	63	100.0	100.0	

Child 2

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid no	17	27.0	27.0	27.0
0-4	3	4.8	4.8	31.7
5-9	14	22.2	22.2	54.0
10-14	18	28.6	28.6	82.5
15-19	9	14.3	14.3	96.8
20-24	1	1.6	1.6	98.4
did not answer	1	1.6	1.6	100.0
Total	63	100.0	100.0	

Child 3

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid no	31	49.2	49.2	49.2
0-4	4	6.3	6.3	55.6
5-9	13	20.6	20.6	76.2
10-14	12	19.0	19.0	95.2
15-19	1	1.6	1.6	96.8
20-24	1	1.6	1.6	98.4
did not answer	1	1.6	1.6	100.0
Total	63	100.0	100.0	

Child 4

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid no	44	69.8	69.8	69.8
0-4	3	4.8	4.8	74.6
5-9	9	14.3	14.3	88.9
10-14	5	7.9	7.9	96.8
15-19	1	1.6	1.6	98.4
did not answer	1	1.6	1.6	100.0
Total	63	100.0	100.0	

Child 5

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid no	56	88.9	88.9	88.9
0-4	4	6.3	6.3	95.2
5-9	2	3.2	3.2	98.4
15-19	1	1.6	1.6	100.0
Total	63	100.0	100.0	

Child 6

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	no	60	95.2	95.2	95.2
	0-4	2	3.2	3.2	98.4
	10-14	1	1.6	1.6	100.0
	Total	63	100.0	100.0	

Child 7

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	no	63	100.0	100.0	100.0

Child 8

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	no	63	100.0	100.0	100.0

Niece

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	no	59	93.7	93.7	93.7
	0-4	2	3.2	3.2	96.8
	15-19	2	3.2	3.2	100.0
	Total	63	100.0	100.0	

Nephew

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	no	59	93.7	93.7	93.7
	5-9	1	1.6	1.6	95.2
	15-19	1	1.6	1.6	96.8
	20-24	1	1.6	1.6	98.4
	31 or older	1	1.6	1.6	100.0
	Total	63	100.0	100.0	

Grandchild 1

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	no	56	88.9	88.9	88.9
	5-9	3	4.8	4.8	93.7
	10-14	4	6.3	6.3	100.0
	Total	63	100.0	100.0	

Grandchild 2

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	no	60	95.2	95.2	95.2
	0-4	1	1.6	1.6	96.8
	10-14	2	3.2	3.2	100.0
	Total	63	100.0	100.0	

Grandchild 3

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	no	62	98.4	98.4	98.4
	5-9	1	1.6	1.6	100.0
	Total	63	100.0	100.0	

How long have you been living in S'toon?

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	less that 1 year	1	1.6	1.6	1.6
	1	1	1.6	1.6	3.2
	3	4	6.3	6.3	9.5
	4	2	3.2	3.2	12.7
	5	3	4.8	4.8	17.5
	6	3	4.8	4.8	22.2
	7	1	1.6	1.6	23.8
	8	1	1.6	1.6	25.4
	9	5	7.9	7.9	33.3
	10 or more	42	66.7	66.7	100.0
	Total	63	100.0	100.0	

If not in S'toon all of life, where from?

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	reserve	31	49.2	49.2	49.2
	another city	24	38.1	38.1	87.3
	a community off reserve	6	9.5	9.5	96.8
	did not answer	2	3.2	3.2	100.0
	Total	63	100.0	100.0	

Why did you move to S'toon?

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	violence/drinking on reserve	1	1.6	1.6	1.6
	family reasons	4	6.3	6.3	7.9
	education	17	27.0	27.0	34.9
	work	9	14.3	14.3	49.2
	health reasons	7	11.1	11.1	60.3
	nicer city	1	1.6	1.6	61.9
	education/work	3	4.8	4.8	66.7
	education/health	1	1.6	1.6	68.3
	parent's decision	4	6.3	6.3	74.6
	personal reasons	2	3.2	3.2	77.8
	opportunity	1	1.6	1.6	79.4
	no particular reason	1	1.6	1.6	81.0
	lived here previously	1	1.6	1.6	82.5
	to get away from reserve	1	1.6	1.6	84.1
	separated from spouse	2	3.2	3.2	87.3
	poor living conditions	1	1.6	1.6	88.9
	family/work	1	1.6	1.6	90.5
	close to reserve	1	1.6	1.6	92.1
	always like S'toon	3	4.8	4.8	96.8
	education/family	1	1.6	1.6	98.4
	did not answer	1	1.6	1.6	100.0
	Total	63	100.0	100.0	

Have you lived or will you live in another city?

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	no, will not live in another city	13	20.6	20.6	20.6
	yes, lived in another city	13	20.6	20.6	41.3
	yes, will live in another city	3	4.8	4.8	46.0
	yes, lived in another city. no, will not move to another	10	15.9	15.9	61.9
	yes, lived in another city. yes, would move to another	2	3.2	3.2	65.1
	no, never lived in another city. no, would not move to another	1	1.6	1.6	66.7
	just no	16	25.4	25.4	92.1
	just yes	1	1.6	1.6	93.7
	would move to a city for a job	2	3.2	3.2	96.8
	did not answer	2	3.2	3.2	100.0
	Total	63	100.0	100.0	

Do you intend to return to reserve?

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid no	36	57.1	57.1	57.1
maybe	20	31.7	31.7	88.9
yes	6	9.5	9.5	98.4
did not answer	1	1.6	1.6	100.0
Total	63	100.0	100.0	

Intend to return? When?

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid did not specify	19	30.2	30.2	30.2
good housing	1	1.6	1.6	31.7
health reasons	1	1.6	1.6	33.3
after retirement	3	4.8	4.8	38.1
after children finish school	1	1.6	1.6	39.7
will return when older	2	3.2	3.2	42.9
N/A	36	57.1	57.1	100.0
Total	63	100.0	100.0	

Intend to return? Why?

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid did not specify	43	68.3	68.3	68.3
never	2	3.2	3.2	71.4
in a couple of years	1	1.6	1.6	73.0
no jobs there	3	4.8	4.8	77.8
would if had vehicle to travel	2	3.2	3.2	81.0
after retirement	3	4.8	4.8	85.7
very poor reserve	1	1.6	1.6	87.3
water problems	1	1.6	1.6	88.9
would if had own house	2	3.2	3.2	92.1
will return to whichever reserve provides housing first	1	1.6	1.6	93.7
if there was good housing	3	4.8	4.8	98.4
N/A	1	1.6	1.6	100.0
Total	63	100.0	100.0	

How long have you lived in this home?

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	less than 1 year	7	11.1	11.1	11.1
	1-2 years	16	25.4	25.4	36.5
	3-5 years	11	17.5	17.5	54.0
	6-9 years	15	23.8	23.8	77.8
	10 or more years	13	20.6	20.6	98.4
	did not answer	1	1.6	1.6	100.0
	Total	63	100.0	100.0	

Have you lived in any other homes in S'toon?

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	no	5	7.9	7.9	7.9
	yes, 1 other	35	55.6	55.6	63.5
	yes, 2 others	10	15.9	15.9	79.4
	yes, 3 others	5	7.9	7.9	87.3
	yes, 4 others	2	3.2	3.2	90.5
	yes, just yes	5	7.9	7.9	98.4
	did not answer	1	1.6	1.6	100.0
	Total	63	100.0	100.0	

If you've lived in others, why did you choose Cress Housing?

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	home previously supplied by other Housing Corp. (SHA)	3	4.8	4.8	4.8
	lower rent	34	54.0	54.0	58.7
	cheaper bills	1	1.6	1.6	60.3
	Native Organization	1	1.6	1.6	61.9
	prefer house over apartment	1	1.6	1.6	63.5
	rented from Cress before	2	3.2	3.2	66.7
	rent/yard	1	1.6	1.6	68.3
	good housing/ low rent	6	9.5	9.5	77.8
	reserve helped to get house	1	1.6	1.6	79.4
	liked the houses	1	1.6	1.6	81.0
	already lived in house when Cress bought it	1	1.6	1.6	82.5
	privacy/lower rent	1	1.6	1.6	84.1
	expenses	1	1.6	1.6	85.7
	money based on income/enough room for kids	3	4.8	4.8	90.5
	rent/wants house over apartment	1	1.6	1.6	92.1
	low income/Cress maintains homes	2	3.2	3.2	95.2
	lower rent/Native Organization	1	1.6	1.6	96.8
	affordable rent/wanted to raise children in a house	1	1.6	1.6	98.4
	did not answer	1	1.6	1.6	100.0
	Total	63	100.0	100.0	

How satisfied are you with this home?

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	very dissatisfied	5	7.9	7.9	7.9
	somewhat dissatisfied	5	7.9	7.9	15.9
	neutral	7	11.1	11.1	27.0
	somewhat satisfied	13	20.6	20.6	47.6
	very satisfied	33	52.4	52.4	100.0
	Total	63	100.0	100.0	

Satisfied? Specific

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	did not specify	48	76.2	76.2	76.2
	maintenance	7	11.1	11.1	87.3
	nice home	3	4.8	4.8	92.1
	want a house with a garage	1	1.6	1.6	93.7
	would prefer a bungalow	1	1.6	1.6	95.2
	house needs a lot of work	1	1.6	1.6	96.8
	better if had a basement	1	1.6	1.6	98.4
	do not like the trees	1	1.6	1.6	100.0
	Total	63	100.0	100.0	

How satisfied are you with the neighborhood?

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	very dissatisfied	4	6.3	6.3	6.3
	somewhat dissatisfied	4	6.3	6.3	12.7
	neutral	5	7.9	7.9	20.6
	somewhat satisfied	13	20.6	20.6	41.3
	very satisfied	36	57.1	57.1	98.4
	did not answer	1	1.6	1.6	100.0
	Total	63	100.0	100.0	

Satisfied? Specific

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	did not specify	34	54.0	54.0	54.0
	clean	1	1.6	1.6	55.6
	high crime rate	5	7.9	7.9	63.5
	good neighbors	9	14.3	14.3	77.8
	dislike some neighbors	2	3.2	3.2	81.0
	racism	1	1.6	1.6	82.5
	quiet	7	11.1	11.1	93.7
	close to school	1	1.6	1.6	95.2
	too many kids hanging around	2	3.2	3.2	98.4
	no traffic/safe	1	1.6	1.6	100.0
	Total	63	100.0	100.0	

Approximately how much rent do you pay?

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid don't know	4	6.3	6.3	6.3
less that \$100	4	6.3	6.3	12.7
\$100 - \$199	14	22.2	22.2	34.9
\$200 - \$299	11	17.5	17.5	52.4
\$300 - \$399	4	6.3	6.3	58.7
\$400 - \$499	12	19.0	19.0	77.8
\$500 - \$599	8	12.7	12.7	90.5
\$600 - \$699	3	4.8	4.8	95.2
did not answer	3	4.8	4.8	100.0
Total	63	100.0	100.0	

General condition of home.

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid very dissatisfied	4	6.3	6.3	6.3
somewhat dissatisfied	11	17.5	17.5	23.8
neutral	4	6.3	6.3	30.2
somewhat satisfied	13	20.6	20.6	50.8
very satisfied	30	47.6	47.6	98.4
did not answer	1	1.6	1.6	100.0
Total	63	100.0	100.0	

General condition of home. Specific

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid did not specify	4	6.3	6.3	6.3
yard	1	1.6	1.6	7.9
appliances	7	11.1	11.1	19.0
floors	3	4.8	4.8	23.8
doors/windows	4	6.3	6.3	30.2
floors/windows/doors	2	3.2	3.2	33.3
minor repairs	13	20.6	20.6	54.0
major repairs	6	9.5	9.5	63.5
good condition	19	30.2	30.2	93.7
small//needs painting/needs new appliances	1	1.6	1.6	95.2
doors/windows/appliances	1	1.6	1.6	96.8
when it rains, the basement floods	1	1.6	1.6	98.4
no air circulation	1	1.6	1.6	100.0
Total	63	100.0	100.0	

What is preventing you from being a homeowner?

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	money, in general	33	52.4	52.4	52.4
	downpayment	11	17.5	17.5	69.8
	bad credit	3	4.8	4.8	74.6
	downpayment/bad credit	2	3.2	3.2	77.8
	money/bad credit	2	3.2	3.2	81.0
	money/references	1	1.6	1.6	82.5
	don't know process of buying a home	1	1.6	1.6	84.1
	good job	2	3.2	3.2	87.3
	no job	1	1.6	1.6	88.9
	don't want to purchase a home	1	1.6	1.6	90.5
	don't want to move children from area they are used to	1	1.6	1.6	92.1
	in debt	1	1.6	1.6	93.7
	don't want to buy in the city	1	1.6	1.6	95.2
	money/job	2	3.2	3.2	98.4
	downpayment/big commitment	1	1.6	1.6	100.0
	Total	63	100.0	100.0	

What kind of home would you like?

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	did not specify	2	3.2	3.2	3.2
	basic home	2	3.2	3.2	6.3
	lots bedrooms	6	9.5	9.5	15.9
	garage and/or shed	1	1.6	1.6	17.5
	more bedrooms/split-level	6	9.5	9.5	27.0
	more bedrooms/big yard	4	6.3	6.3	33.3
	more bedrooms/garage/shed	7	11.1	11.1	44.4
	more bedrooms/big yard/split-level/garage/shed	17	27.0	27.0	71.4
	more bedrooms/garage/big yard	3	4.8	4.8	76.2
	finished basement/fenced in back yard/garage	1	1.6	1.6	77.8
	more bedrooms/good area of town	1	1.6	1.6	79.4
	small bungalow	6	9.5	9.5	88.9
	wheelchair accessible/2 bedroom	1	1.6	1.6	90.5
	did not answer	1	1.6	1.6	92.1
	a home exactly like this one	1	1.6	1.6	93.7
	house by lake/more bedrooms	1	1.6	1.6	95.2
	3 bedroom/full basement	3	4.8	4.8	100.0
	Total	63	100.0	100.0	

Like/Dislike neighborhood

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	dislike	3	4.8	4.8	4.8
	neutral	14	22.2	22.2	27.0
	like	21	33.3	33.3	60.3
	extremely like	24	38.1	38.1	98.4
	did not answer	1	1.6	1.6	100.0
	Total	63	100.0	100.0	

Like neighborhood? Specific

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	did not specify	17	27.0	27.0	27.0
	access to services	7	11.1	11.1	38.1
	neighbors	14	22.2	22.2	60.3
	quiet	9	14.3	14.3	74.6
	neighbors/quiet	7	11.1	11.1	85.7
	close to services/quiet area	3	4.8	4.8	90.5
	neighbors/access to services	2	3.2	3.2	93.7
	neighbors/vegetation around neighborhood	1	1.6	1.6	95.2
	N/A	3	4.8	4.8	100.0
	Total	63	100.0	100.0	

Dislike neighborhood? Specific

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	did not specify	9	14.3	14.3	14.3
	access to services	4	6.3	6.3	20.6
	neighbors	1	1.6	1.6	22.2
	high crime area	4	6.3	6.3	28.6
	close to busy streets	8	12.7	12.7	41.3
	neighbors/noisy	1	1.6	1.6	42.9
	neighbors/high crime area	1	1.6	1.6	44.4
	too many cats in area	1	1.6	1.6	46.0
	racism	1	1.6	1.6	47.6
	close to train tracks	1	1.6	1.6	49.2
	gangs of kids	3	4.8	4.8	54.0
	too far from schools/yard is small	1	1.6	1.6	55.6
	N/A	28	44.4	44.4	100.0
	Total	63	100.0	100.0	

What kind of community would you like to live in?

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	does not matter	30	47.6	47.6	47.6
	high proportion of Aboriginals	3	4.8	4.8	52.4
	lower proportion of Aboriginals	11	17.5	17.5	69.8
	does not matter, people with the same values	1	1.6	1.6	71.4
	half and half	14	22.2	22.2	93.7
	good mix of all races	3	4.8	4.8	98.4
	the east side	1	1.6	1.6	100.0
	Total	63	100.0	100.0	

What kinds of services are important to you?

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	all of them	38	60.3	60.3	60.3
	most of them	8	12.7	12.7	73.0
	some of them	11	17.5	17.5	90.5
	very few of them	6	9.5	9.5	100.0
	Total	63	100.0	100.0	

Are there any other problems about home/homeownership?

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	no problems	43	68.3	68.3	68.3
	fix house - minor	9	14.3	14.3	82.5
	finish basement	3	4.8	4.8	87.3
	base rent on net income not gross	1	1.6	1.6	88.9
	house been broken into a few times	1	1.6	1.6	90.5
	house too small	2	3.2	3.2	93.7
	need wheelchair accessible home	1	1.6	1.6	95.2
	Org. should assess occupants in more depth for proper home	1	1.6	1.6	96.8
	if they could but a home they would like to contact Habitat 4 Humanity but too complicated	1	1.6	1.6	98.4
	Total	63	100.0	100.0	100.0