

Alina Turner

Alina Turner is recognized as a leading homelessness researcher and thinker. Her PhD focused on immigration and housing and she is a Fellow at The School of Public Policy at the University of Calgary. She also serves on Accessible Housing's Board of Directors. Ms. Turner works with a variety of organizations to support human service system planning and integration, including plans to end homelessness and transitions to Housing First. She also engages in academic and applied research on issues including housing stress, poverty, domestic violence, migration and rural social issues. She has extensive experience in strategy and program development on a variety of social issues. Ms. Turner also worked for the United Way of Calgary and Area where she was responsible for leading the United Way's policy and research portfolio on affordable housing. In 2012, she was appointed by Mayor Nenshi to serve on the Calgary Poverty Reduction Initiative's leadership committee.

Research/interests:

- 1) Homelessness and affordable housing
- 2) Human services system planning and policy integration