



# Housing and Harm Reduction Project

The College Advisory Board

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CAB conducted a multi-campus research initiative examining housing infrastructure challenges and the role of harm reduction strategies in supporting college students across Winston-Salem.

- Housing Efforts and Findings
- Harm-Reduction Strategies



# Research

## Housing Infrastructure Across Campuses

Students evaluated local colleges/universities' housing infrastructure and examined how they supported student life.

1. University of North Carolina School of Arts
2. Forsyth Technical Community College
3. Winston-Salem State University
4. Wake Forest University
5. Salem College

## Harm Reduction Resources

Students found harm reduction tools as a strategic solution to addressing the effects of stress from housing instability.

1. Mental Health Services
2. Emergency Response Resources
3. Overdose Prevention Resources

# Research Takeaways

## Housing Takeaways

1. Housing Affordability
  - Having access to available and affordable off-campus housing options
2. Awareness and Utilization of Local Resources
  - The ability to identify and make use of local resources that support both their education and daily life

## Harm Reduction Takeaways

1. Harm reduction is a proactive approach
2. Reduces the financial strain on students and the city
3. Accessibility and affordability are essential tools

# Key Observations to the City Council

1. Continue partnering with local colleges, community organizations, and service providers
2. Continue supporting initiatives that increase student awareness and access to local resources
3. Continue developing affordable housing options





**Thank you!**

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