

Impact of Proposed Poverty Reduction Investments

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<b>Safe, stable, and affordable housing (\$30 million over ten years)</b>		
\$10 million over 2.5 years (2017-19) toward social housing capital repairs and regeneration opportunities	\$5 million allocated to City Housing Hamilton (year 1-2), \$5 million to other housing providers (year 2-3).	Restore safe and liveable conditions of approximately 200 units (~\$50,000/unit).  Move people off housing waitlist into suitable and stable housing.
\$10 over 10 years toward Portable Housing Allowances (\$1 million/year 2018-2027)	Housing sustainability and income support to families through Portable Housing Allowances. Assistance to link families with additional resources to build capacity for long-term housing stability (e.g. childcare and employment services).	Housing stability and capacity-building supports for approximately 200 households (\$350/month average).
\$5 million over 10 years toward Housing Stability to keep people housed (\$500,000/year 2018-2027)	Elements include: housing with supports, coordinated risk assessments, case management, and shelter diversion strategies. Key supports may include landlord-tenant mediation, eviction prevention, emergency home repairs, and assistance with rental arrears.	Investing in helping people remain housed is the most effective way to reduce pressures on the homeless serving system. This investment could support approximately 600 different instances per year where someone is faced with a challenge to housing stability.
\$5 million over 10 years to prevent	Preventing homelessness requires a	In 2015, 372 single women accessed

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homelessness (\$500,000/year 2017-2027)	<p>multi-faceted approach. Hamilton's homelessness serving system is currently undergoing a redesign to ensure evidence-based practices that target community needs and gaps to reduce homelessness.</p> <p>Evidence-based informed strategies to move people into housing as quickly as possible include: shelter diversion, housing with wraparound and mental health supports, and housing based case management.</p>	<p>an emergency shelter in Hamilton (data does not include usage from the Native Women's Centre or Violence Against Women shelters). An investment of \$132,000 – \$154,000 per year could support an estimated 120 -140 women with shelter diversion.</p> <p>Similarly in 2015, 1889 single men accessed an emergency shelter. An investment of \$89,000 - \$138,000 per year could support 138-210 men with shelter diversion.</p> <p>New funding will allow these programs to expand reach and include stronger links to mental and physical health supports to build individual capacity and home stability.</p>
<b>Pathways out of poverty (\$10 million over 10 years)</b>		
\$750,000 per year toward intensive wraparound for sole support parents and their children	Enhance existing health and social service coordination, employment supports and access to subsidized childcare, subsidized family transit, and free children's recreation programs delivered through integrated	<p>300-400 families served per year. Expected reduction of social service and social assistance usage by 15%.</p> <p>Return on investment recoups program expenditure while improving family income, stability, mental and physical</p>

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	model. Average cost of \$2000-2500 per family projected based on average cost of \$2604 for model program in Peel (Families First). City of Hamilton will achieve cost savings through integrating and building on existing programs.	health.
\$250,000 per year toward Nurse-Family Partnership	Sustain funding for 7 <sup>th</sup> Public Health Nurse (currently funded through Hamilton Community Foundation until June 2017) and add 8 <sup>th</sup> Public Health Nurse. Annual salary and benefits cost per 2.0 FTE NFP PHN is \$208,312 plus \$35,900 in operational costs (training, resource and promotion materials, equipment, mileage, membership and licence fees).	Support 80 additional people (mothers and infants); each NFP family receives 640 home visits per year.  Multiple research studies show: improved child and maternal health, decreased child abuse and neglect, increased maternal employment, improved school readiness and completion. <sup>i</sup>
<b>Indigenous-led poverty reduction (\$10 million over 10 years)</b>		
Indigenous-led Investment in Safe, Stable, and Affordable Housing (\$579,000/year)		
\$457,000 toward Indigenous Social Housing and Infrastructure Repairs	Administered through Hamilton Executive Directors Aboriginal Coalition.	20-40 housing units repaired or enhanced per year  Increase community space for cultural teachings and support, tenant

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		meetings, and healing circles.
\$62,000/ year toward tenant advocacy and supports to keep people housed	Administered through Hamilton Executive Directors Aboriginal Coalition and distributed to Sacajawea Non-Profit Housing.	Build capacity to help 80-100 people per year maintain housing and meet other needs.
\$60,000/year toward Indigenous Housing Stability Assistance	Administered through Hamilton Executive Directors Aboriginal Coalition.	Prevent homelessness through emergency fund to support housing stability for approximately 75-100 per year.
Indigenous-led pathways out of poverty through wraparound investment (\$421,000/year)		
\$120,000 toward administrative management of funds and coordination of programs and strategies	Hamilton Executive Directors Aboriginal Coalition responsible for administration of Indigenous-led poverty reduction funds; management and reporting; liaison and coordination across with Indigenous networks.	Accountable administration and reporting on impact of funds. Increase access to cultural services, educate mainstream providers on importance of cultural sensitivity, strengthen partnerships and collaboration.
\$62,000 toward Youth Employment and Stability program	HEDAC to distribute funds to Niagara Peninsula Area Aboriginal Management Board for program delivery.	Expanded capacity-building around basic life skills and housing stability for youth seeking employment and/or skills training for an additional 32-40 youth per year.
\$62,000 to increase access to Indigenous-led child and family	HEDAC to distribute funds to Niwasa	Expansion from solely lower city to offer services and supports on the

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development, home management, and life skills programs	Kendaaswin Teg for program delivery.	mountain to approximately 250 families.
\$62,000 for Violence Against Women Advocacy	HEDAC to distribute funds to Native Women's Centre.	Coordinate access to care and provide prevention-focused services that promote well-being and family preservation.  Expand capacity by 40% to enhance programming and bridge gaps between urban and rural locations
\$62,000 to expand programming in: financial skills, life skills, employment, education, nutrition, and housing stability	HEDAC to distribute funds to Hamilton Regional Indian Centre.	Enhanced Financial Empowerment programming and expansion from solely lower city to include supports on the mountain, impacting approximately 250-300 people per year.
\$53,000 to offer consistent bi-weekly Identification clinics for clients to obtain documentation required to receive government supports.	HEDAC to distribute funds De dwa da dehs nye>s Aboriginal Health Centre	Bi-weekly ID Clinics servicing ~80 people per year to obtain identification required to access financial supports, health and social programs, and employment.

<sup>i</sup> Coalition for Evidence-based Policy (2010). Top Tier Evidence Initiative: Evidence Summary for Nurse-Family Partnership. <http://coalition4evidence.org/wp-content/uploads/uploads-dupes-safety/NFP-updated-summary-for-release-Jan2010.pdf>