Advisory Committee for Persons with Disabilities

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What we do:

- Homelessness Services
- Emergency Shelter Services
- Residential Care Facilities
- Social Housing Administration
- Affordable Housing Program
- Policy and Program Development



Ongoing systems work

- Integration of Access to Housing with the Housing Services Division
- Homelessness Enumeration
- Improved coordination of services within the homeless serving sector
- Implementation of the Poverty Reduction Fund
- Use of surplus municipal lands for affordable housing
- Working with the Planning division to inform regulations, targets and update planning documents where appropriate.



Housing and Homelessness Action Plan:

- Review done in 2019
- Renewed focus on developing affordable units through a secondary units strategy
- Several implementation points focused on increasing accessibility.



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Co-Investment Fund

Focus of NHS:

 Creating housing that exceeds mandatory minimum requirements related to affordability, environmental efficiency, and accessibility.

Requirements of Co-Investment Fund

- 20% of dwelling units must meet accessibility standards
- Common areas must be barrier-free



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- Gender-Based Analysis Plus (GBA+) training for Staff
- HFIG trained on EDI
- Part of applications and evaluation matrix
- Women are one of the Reaching Home priority populations
- 30% dedicated to women
- Implementation phase



HOUSING SYSTEM Challenges

- Lack of federal & provincial investment in new affordable & rental housing for decades
- Stagnant supply of rental and affordable housing with
 - increasing and aging population
 - rapidly increasing housing costs, most impacting those with the lowest incomes
 - lack of deeply affordable units
 - high costs & other challenges for rental development
- Social and deeply affordable housing is at risk
 - large and costly repair backlog, systems at end of life cycle
 - end of operating agreements and mortgages
- High needs for supports



Housing Services Big Picture

- Housing Services municipal levy annual amount \$45M
- Provincial/Federal \$48 M (2019) includes capital contribution programs
- \$50 million Poverty Reduction Fund (over 10 years)
 - New affordable rental construction, repairs to social housing, Indigenous poverty reduction
- Annual capital municipal levy \$1,000,000 to Social Housing (\$500,000 dedicated to CityHousing Hamilton)
- Home for Good funding
 - \$1,000,000 Provincial funding



COCHI/OPHI

Program	2019 - 2020	2020 - 2021	2021 - 2022
	\$1,231,970	\$1,430,467	\$2,784,784
	\$4,611,100	\$2,388,900	\$3,719,100
Total COCHI +OPHI	\$5,843,070	\$3,819,367	\$6,503,884



Poverty Reduction Fund

- Affordable Rental Housing Construction (\$20 M: \$4 M annually for 5 years)
 - YWCA 35 units and leveraged 15 additional units for persons with developmental disabilities; Indwell Community Homes 50 units, as well as purchase of 50 Caledon site - \$3.1 M
 - CHH 2019/20 has \$3 M allocated to Bay and Cannon St. project. CHH has also directly funded 87 new units
 - Social Housing Repairs and Renovations (\$20 M; \$2 M per Year for 10 years)
 - CHH -\$1 M \$484,406 rehabilitated 106 units, Social Housing providers \$1 M 377 units.
 - Indigenous Poverty Reduction (\$10 M; \$1 M annually)
 - agreement is signed and implementation by HEDAC has started



Housing Services — External Page 11 of 18 Partner Funding

- Social housing providers
- Rent Supplements and Housing Allowances through private and non-profit landlords
- Emergency Shelters
- RCF Subsidy
- Homelessness Prevention
- Housing First programs
- Ancillary Services



Social Housing Providers

- Funding provided (2019) \$48 M
- Funding is municipal and federal
- 47 providers
- 11,647 units (RGI and AM)
- 8,553 RGI (2018)
- ATH Waitlist 6,704 (2018)



Rent Supplements & Page 13 of 18 **Housing Allowances**

- Funding provided (2019) \$7,194,000
- Funding is municipal, federal and provincial
- More than 1600 units



Emergency Shelters

- Funding provided (2019)
 \$8,575,650
- 6 partners funded, operating 12 shelters
- 341 total beds
 - –21 youth; 46 single women; 194 single men; 80 families



Residential Care Facilities

- Funding provided (2019) \$6,841,140
- 53 providers
- Average 760 residents supported monthly



Homelessness Services

Program Name	Level of Government	Annual Allocation (\$)
Reaching Home	Federal	6.5M
Community Homelessness Prevention Initiative (CHPI)	Provincial	19.5M
Home For Good	Provincial	1M
Levy	Municipal	3M

TOTAL 30M



Ancillary Services

- Funding provided (2018) \$1,941,216
- 7 partners funded, including;
 - Food Share
 - Hamilton Executive Directors Aboriginal Coalition
 - Housing Help Centre
 - Social Planning and Research Council



Thank You

