

City of Hamilton Council 71 Main Street West Hamilton, ON L8P 4Y5

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Dear Hamilton City Council,

I hope this letter finds you well.

Here at Habitat Hamilton, we believe that safe and decent housing creates safe and healthy communities. Today, we're expressing our support for the donation of land and extending our thanks to the City of Hamilton for its consideration. Together, we can build a healthier tomorrow by providing increased access to affordable housing to the citizens of Hamilton.

For years, Habitat Hamilton and the City of Hamilton have partnered together to build our affordable housing stock. We're thankful for the continued support we've received from the municipality and we look forward to increasing our support to the city in achieving its affordable housing goals.

Our Board of Directors is currently reviewing our long-term strategic plan, seeking to drastically increase our capacity to deliver affordable housing to more people in Hamilton. More specifically, we're planning to ramp up our affordable housing production, supporting families and individuals in need of safe and decent shelter across our city. We have plans to scale our builds in the future and would like to continue our active partnership with the City, while staying in close communication, to do so.

With all of that being said, we kindly request the City of Hamilton to consider other land donations and means of supporting our work.

As always, if you have any questions or inquiries, please do not hesitate to reach out.

On behalf of all of us here at Habitat Hamilton, thank you for helping us build strength, stability, and self-reliance through shelter, here in our local communities.

With care & many thanks,

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