## By-Law Need For Change to Reflect Hamilton Homewowner Needs

Ayesha Asghar

Household characteristics		
Total - Private households by tenure - 25% sample data 50	222,805	100.0
Owner	146,410	65.7
Renter	76,400	34.3
Total - Occupied private dwellings by dwelling condition - 25% sample data 58	222,805	100.0
Only regular maintenance and minor repairs needed	208,115	93.4
Major repairs needed	14,690	6.6

Statistics Canada. 2023. (table). *Census Profile*. 2021 Census of Population. Statistics Canada Catalogue no. 98-316-X2021001. Ottawa. Released November 15, 2023.

Total - Owner and tenant households with household total income greater than zero, in non-farm, non-reserve private dwellings by shelter-cost-to-income ratio - 25% sample data 61	221,115	100.0
Spending less than 30% of income on shelter costs	169,815	76.8
Spending 30% or more of income on shelter costs	51,305	23.2
30% to less than 100%	46,570	21.1
Total - Occupied private dwellings by housing indicators - 25% sample data 62	222,805	100.0
Total - Households 'spending 30% or more of income on shelter costs' or 'not suitable' or 'major repairs needed'	72,120	32.4

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Ayesha Asghar says the tenants living in the Ellis Avenue townhouse she purchased have caused significant damage to the property, including leaving "piles and piles" of garbage in its front yard. One of the tenants rejected claims that the property is damaged.

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## **My By-Law Concerns**

Since ownership of the home, the residents have violated multiple by-laws for which there has been no recourse for me. Some of which are listed below:

- Violating Zoning and Rooming By-Law. Turning my home into a known drug house with 8-10 people
- Occupancy By-Law
- Destroying and Disabling Smoke Detectors/Carbon Monoxide Alarms -Violation of Ontario Fire Code
- Piling junk and garbage everywhere Lawn Maintenance By-Law.
- Ripping out electrical panel and wires in the home Ontario ESA

Multiple City Departments have been actively engaged bringing these concerns to various departments of the City.

Over 30 police and by-law complaints by the neighbors in last 6 months with no reprieve in sight.