

To: Members of the Joint Services Steering Committee

From: Sandra Clancy, Chief Administration Officer

and Acting Commissioner of Community Services

Meeting Date: June 13, 2019

Subject: Report CSSSJSSC19-002

10-Year Housing and Homelessness Plan: 2018 Progress

Report

Purpose

A report to present the Progress Report 2018 on the 10-Year Housing and Homelessness Plan for the City and County of Peterborough.

Recommendation

That Joint Services Steering Committee endorse the recommendation outlined in Report CSSSJSSC19-002 dated June 13, 2019 as follows:

That the 10-Year Housing and Homelessness Plan: Progress Report 2018 and presentation be received for information.

Budget and Financial Implications

There are no budget or financial implications as a result of this report.

Background

The Housing Services Act 2011, requires the City of Peterborough, as Service Manager for the City and County of Peterborough, to have a 10-Year Housing and Homelessness

Plan, and to report annually on the progress made towards targets included in the Plan. The City of Peterborough's 10-Year Housing and Homelessness Plan (the Plan) was launched in 2014.

The Progress Report 2018, attached as Appendix A, provides highlights of key housing and homelessness statistics from 2018. It shows progress made on the 20 Commitments and Outcomes from 2014 to 2018. This document will be used to help inform the 5-year review of the Plan.

Staff will be in attendance at the June 13, 2019 Joint Services Steering Committee meeting to provide a brief overview of the Progress Report 2018.

Highlights

The Progress Report highlights progress made in 2018 including:

- 1. 240 low income households got a municipal rent supplement to help pay their rent; 112 of these households were in a 100% provincially-funded program that was cancelled. They are now getting help under the municipally-funded Housing Choice Rent Supplement program.
- 2. 2 Habitat for Humanity partner families got a homeownership loan;
- 3. 7 new affordable rental apartments in development, bringing the total units developed since 2014 to 264. This is 53% of the target of creating 500 units by 2024;
- 4. 45 low-income homeowners got help for necessary repairs, upgrades and accessibility modifications;
- 5. 2,966 issuances of the Housing Stability Fund to help pay for rent and utility arrears, last month's rent and other housing costs;
- 6. 206 unique individuals were supported through the Homelessness Coordinated Response Team;
- 7. Intensive Case Managers helped 15 people secure housing in the last 2 months of 2018;
- 8. 37 people experiencing homelessness were supported by the Home for Good supportive housing program;
- 9. 2% more shelter beds were used in 2018 than 2017:
- 10.80 volunteers helped with a Point in Time Count and Homelessness Enumeration on March 20-23, 2018. This included 17 City survey locations, 11 County survey locations and 9 Street (walking) survey routes.

Distribution

The Progress Report 2018 will be available to the public through the City website, presented to County Council and the Housing and Homelessness Plan Steering Committee, and submitted to the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing through the Eastern Municipal Services Office.

Submitted by,

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Attachment:

Appendix A – 10-Year Housing and Homelessness Plan Progress Report 2018