



City of  
**Peterborough**

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**To:** Members of the Accessibility Advisory Committee

**From:** Mark Buffone, Accessibility Compliance Coordinator

**Meeting Date:** October 7, 2015

**Subject:** Report AAC15-032  
Peterborough Renovates Program

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## **Purpose**

A report to introduce a presentation by the Capital Planning Analyst of the City's Housing Division on the Peterborough Renovates Program.

## **Recommendation**

That the Accessibility Advisory Committee approves the recommendation outlined in Report AAC15-032 dated October 7, 2015 of the Accessibility Compliance Coordinator as follows:

That the presentation by the Capital Planning Analyst be received for information.

## **Budget and Financial Implications**

There are no budgetary or financial implications associated with the recommendation.

## **Background**

### **Housing Division**

The Housing Division is the Service Manager for affordable and social housing for the City and County of Peterborough. The City establishes, administers and funds a variety of housing programs, including social housing that is offered by non-profit housing providers and Peterborough Housing Corporation. The City relies on non-profit and private sector partners to make many of the programs and services available to citizens.

### **Peterborough Renovates Program**

The Peterborough Renovates Program (PRP) is a home repair program, funded by the federal and provincial governments. The program helps low to moderate income homeowners afford necessary home repairs and upgrades, including energy efficiency and accessibility related projects. Homeowners in both the City and County of Peterborough can apply for program funding.

At the discretion of the Service Manager (the City), the program may be expanded to include a component for multi-unit residential rehabilitation.

The program provides grants and forgivable loans to qualifying applicants on a first-come, first-served basis. A grant of up to \$5,000 may be provided for accessibility upgrades and modifications. A forgivable loan of up to \$25,000 may be provided for other repairs and upgrades. Any costs greater than \$25,000 will need to be funded directly by the applicant.

Applications are available from April 13, 2015 until fall 2019, and will be processed as funding is available. If all available funding has been used for the current year, applicants may be placed on a wait list maintained by Habitat for Humanity.

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Appendix A: Peterborough Renovates Program Guidelines for Home Owner Applicants