Providing Housing for those with the Greatest Need





Market rentals are out of reach for more and more Ontarians

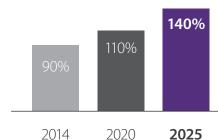
- Across Ontario, average market rent has increased while social assistance programs, like Ontario Works (OW) have remained static
- Halton's Average Monthly Rent is one of the highest in the GTA leaving a growing number of households unable to participate in private market rental housing



We are facing increased demands for homelessness services and supports

High market rental costs and the growing mental health and addictions crises are increasing demand for emergency shelter and people are staying in shelters for longer periods of time

Demand for emergency shelter



We are operating 40% above our capacity for emergency shelter

Average length of stay in emergency shelter



Individuals experiencing homelessness in Halton are struggling with mental health and addictions



76% are struggling with their mental health



47% are facing substance use issues

165 units of dedicated supportive housing are required to meet current demand in Halton and prevent higher emergency shelter use, street homelessness and encampments



There is also significant demand for assisted housing in our community



It will take **11 years** to house the current waitlist

The Provincial Government can support us in delivering housing for those with the greatest need by:

- 1 Increasing Homelessness Prevention Program (HPP) funding
- 2 Strengthening social assistance rates to help address growing demand for assisted housing and prevent homelessness
- Increasing coordination across all three levels of government including key provincial ministries and agencies (MMAH, MCCSS, Ontario Health) to address the homelessness, income security, mental health and addictions crises
- 4 Providing dedicated capital funding for new supportive housing units
- 5 Partnering with us to get our shovel-ready assisted housing properties built faster



There is opportunity to partner with us to get shovel-ready properties built as fast as possible and deliver more units to meet increasing demand.

Click <u>here</u> or scan the QR code to learn about our 548 shovel-ready units, 4 projects in progress and 5 projects recently completed







