

# **HOMELESSNESS PREVENTION STRATEGY 10 - P O I N T P L A N**

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# HOMELESSNESS PREVENTION STRATEGY 10-POINT PLAN

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## MAKE AFFORDABLE HOUSING MORE ATTAINABLE TO END HOMELESSNESS

Providing deep Rent Subsidies for individuals and families (\$600-\$800) distributed through Housing First and Outreach teams

02

## CREATING NEW SUPPORTIVE HOUSING PROGRAMS

Increase creative Supportive Housing Programs by converting existing community housing into supportive housing programs

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## CREATING PEACE OF MIND WHEN USING SERVICES

Offering Storage Unit Solutions for people who are homeless to store belongings safely while accessing services

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## IMPROVING SAFETY AND WELL-BEING FOR THE COMMUNITY AS A WHOLE

Enhancing and mobilizing mobile Outreach Services to improve safety and well-being for all

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## INCREASING HOUSING AVAILABILITY IN CURRENT PROGRAMS

Increasing housing availability through increased Affordable Housing stock and Supportive Housing units, and lifting the funding freeze on the Domiciliary Care Program

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## CREATING EASIER WAYS TO HELP ACCESS SERVICES

Implementing a Centralized Intake System that is available after hours for services

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## ENHANCING OUR COMMUNITY SHELTERS SERVICES AND STANDARDS

Increasing funding to the Shelter System and supporting the Temporary Shelter at Rose Street over the winter months

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## INCREASING EVICTION PREVENTION SERVICES AND ACCESS TO HOUSING FOR FAMILIES

Improving access to housing through Housing Retention Funding by doubling the grant limits for families

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## IMPROVING SHELTER ON THE HOUSING CONTINUUM

Addressing repairs/maintenance needs through the Retrofits & Upgrades Program (up to \$50K per grant)

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## FINDING NEW OPPORTUNITIES

Continued attention to Potential Capital/Operating Opportunities to increase housing



**BUILDING UP**

# MAKE AFFORDABLE HOUSING MORE ATTAINABLE TO END HOMELESSNESS

*Providing deep **Rent Subsidies** (\$600-\$800) to Housing First and Outreach teams*

- *Offering deep subsidies to increase housing opportunities and support affordability*



# CREATING NEW SUPPORTIVE HOUSING PROGRAMS

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*Increase creative **Supportive Housing Programs** by converting existing community Housing into supportive housing programs*

- *Rose Street Temporary Supportive Housing Project:*
  - *Intensive case management and wrap around community services*
  - *Post-housing support*
- *SCHC Housing Units converted to include increased wrap-around services to individuals selected from By Name List into housing*





## CREATING PEACE OF MIND WHEN USING SERVICES

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*Offering **Storage Unit Solutions** for people who are homeless to store belongings safely while accessing services*

- *Pilot staffed storage unit program at Rose Street Temporary Housing Program*
- *Assess community storage program for other potential areas of County*



# IMPROVING SAFETY AND WELL-BEING FOR THE COMMUNITY AS A WHOLE

*Enhancing and mobilizing mobile **Outreach Services** to improve safety and well-being for all*

- *Expand and mobilize year round Outreach Services in Barrie, Orillia and Midland serving county wide*
- *Engaging people to connect to services in the system*
- *Pilot program in Barrie built on safety and well being through strengthened relationships with individuals, business owners and community*



**BUILDING UP**





## INCREASING HOUSING AVAILABILITY IN CURRENT PROGRAMS

*Building up housing availability through increased **Affordable Housing** stock and **Supportive Housing** units, and lifting the funding freeze on the **Domiciliary Care Program***

- *Allocating available resources to development of supportive housing*
- *Maximizing available housing resources available in the Domiciliary Program*



# BUILDING UP

## CREATING EASIER WAYS TO HELP ACCESS SERVICES

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*Implementing a **Centralized Intake System** that is available after hours for services*



- *A centralized intake system ensures timely access to emergency shelters and other homelessness supports and services*
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# ENHANCING OUR COMMUNITY SHELTERS SERVICES AND STANDARDS

*Increasing funding to the **Shelter System** and supporting the **Temporary Shelter** at Rose Street over the winter months*

- *Stabilizing the shelter system to address:*
  - *Operations*
  - *Labour issues; recruitment and retention*
  - *Standardized, quality program delivery*
  - *Year-round day and overnight services*
  - *Quality data collection*
- *Resume temporary shelter winter 2023-24*



## INCREASING EVICTION PREVENTION SERVICES AND ACCESS TO HOUSING FOR FAMILIES

*Improving and building up access to housing through **Housing Retention Funding** by doubling the grant limits for families*

- *Reduce in-flow to homelessness by supporting families and individuals to retain housing*
  - *Rent and mortgage arrears, utility arrears, first and last rent*
  - *Increased flexibility*



# IMPROVING SHELTER ON THE HOUSING CONTINUUM

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*Addressing repairs/maintenance needs through the **Retrofits & Upgrades Program** (up to \$50K per grant)*

- *Addressing retention of current housing supports on the continuum:*
  - *Shelter system*
  - *Transitional housing*
  - *Supportive housing*
  - *Domiciliary programs*





## FINDING NEW OPPORTUNITIES

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*Continued attention to **Potential Capital/ Operating Opportunities** to increase housing*

- *Develop a plan for county-wide to build up housing opportunities with input through a procurement process*



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