2018 Windsor Essex Annual Report Highlights
To the Community on the 10 Year Housing & Homelessness Plan:

5 years ago, the community came together to create an **ambitious 10 year Housing and Homelessness plan.**

THE TEN YEAR PLAN

1 VISION | 7 GOALS
63 STRATEGIES

Of the 63 Strategies there are...
- **16** Strategies remaining
- **47** Strategies completed

Goal 1: Access

Launched the Windsor-Essex By-Names Prioritized List (BNPL) in **May 2018**

20 Number of Community Agencies partnered on the BNPL

168 Total number of households who are actively experiencing chronic homelessness as of December 31, 2018

> " **I am finally able to sleep at night in a place that is safe and quiet** "
> - WEHC Participant

Goal 2: Person Centred Supports

Support was enhanced in 2018 due to an increase in staff

WEHC WINDSOR · ESSEX HOUSING CONNECTIONS

269 People housed (since July 2015)

22 WEHC participants graduated from the program

Since April 2015 **Housed Participants** saw positive changes in:

$ **Income** - **49** new income sources

🤝 **Participation** - **280** changes in employment, training , recreation, and social participation

Voluntary Trusteeship Program

88% improved confidence managing finances

100% of program participants have **SECURED SAVINGS**

Goal 3: Interim Housing

Increased use of shelter diversion to ensure housing policies are supporting housing sustainability

Salvation Army

872 SINGLE MEN
↑ Increase of 1.0%

AVERAGE LENGTH OF STAY **9.2** DAYS
↓ Decrease of 1.0%
8,055 total bed nights

Welcome Centre Shelter For Women

648 SINGLE WOMEN
↑ Increase of 6.0%

AVERAGE LENGTH OF STAY **9.4** DAYS
↑ Increase of 25.0%
6,062 total bed nights
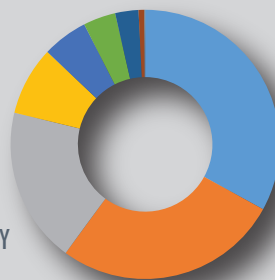
528 FAMILIES
↑ Increase of 73.0%

AVERAGE LENGTH OF STAY **14** DAYS
↑ Increase of 51.0%
7,408 total bed nights

Welcome Centre Shelter for Women and Families Reasons for Discharge 2018

- Obtained Permanent Housing
- Whereabouts Unknown
- Ineligible for Service
- Staying with Family / Friends
- Referred to Another Shelter
- Moved Away from Community
- Admitted to Health / Medical Facility
- Return to Homelessness
- Admitted to Justice Facility

Goal 4: Housing Linked with Supports

Currently there are **10** Subsidized Housing with Supports homes in the City Windsor and **12** in the County of Essex

The City of Windsor
340
Average number of individuals subsidized in housing with supports

County of Essex
222
Average number of individuals subsidized in housing with supports

Goal 5: Rental Housing

The 2018 Meadowbrook Rental Housing Development is the FIRST investment in affordable housing in 30 years.

145 NEW affordable housing units in 2018

$ $38,900,000 Investment in rental housing in 2018

Central Housing Registry

424 Total number of applicants housed as of Dec. 31, 2018

5,099 Total number of eligible applicants on the central housing registry waitlist for social and affordable housing as of December 31, 2018

2018 Rental Supplement Investments

903 Number of households receiving rent subsidies

$4.5M Cost to deliver rent subsidy program

Goal 6: Ownership Housing

19 Households assisted through the Homeownership Downpayment Assistance Program (16 City/3 County)

13 Households assisted through the Ontario Renovates for Homeowners Program (10 City/3 County)

Goal 7: Monitoring, Reporting and Evaluation

Homelessness & Housing Support and Housing Services Staff reports to the Housing Advisory Committee (HAC) quarterly on the progress and outcomes of the 10 Year Housing and Homelessness Plan and other affiliated Programs

Other Initiatives

The Housing Stability Plan (HSP)

23% Went from homelessness to housed

77% Were able to maintain their housing

709 Received Rent Assistance

$662 Average Utility Assistance per household

Rent Smart
Supporting successful tenancies

11 Community Partners Identified

14 Community Educators received training

500 Tenants and landlords to receive training

PATHWAY TO POTENTIAL
Social Investment Windsor-Essex

2018 Point in Time (PiT) Count

The Point in Time Count is a non-identifying census to gather demographic information (e.g. age, gender, veteran or Indigenous Status). It is a street count of homelessness at any "point in time" on a specific day within a community.

Composition of Surveys	69% SINGLES	27% FAMILIES	4% YOUTH
Gender	66% MALE	28% FEMALE	4% DECLINED / 2% OTHER
Age of Respondents	26% 15-24 YRS	69% 25-64 YRS	3% 65+ SENIORS / 2% DECLINED
Where are you Sleeping Tonight?	66% SHELTERED	25% HIDDEN HOMELESS	6% UNSHELTERED / 3% UNKNOWN