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2017 Progress Report on the 10-year Housing and Homelessness Plan

The 2017 Progress Report on housing and homeless is now available. This is the fourth annual report on progress made on goals in the 10-year Housing and Homelessness Plan for the City and County of Peterborough.

The 2017 report includes highlights of achievements made by the City and community partners. This collaborative work helps vulnerable people in our community. The report shows local challenges and looks forward into planning for the future. The addition of the 20 Commitments and Outcomes (2014-2017) supporting document shows progress made since the 10-year Housing and Homelessness Plan began in 2014.

These two documents will be helpful in the five-year review of the Plan, which is scheduled to start this summer with a community consultation. This work is done together with people who use housing and homelessness services, as well as with those who work/volunteer in those services and related areas.

Collaboration has helped us achieve many accomplishments that better serve people who have housing needs, including:

- 12 affordable rental units for seniors to be built in Havelock;
- 6 renters got help with a down payment to buy a house;
- 45 low-income homeowners got help for necessary repairs, upgrades and accessibility modifications to their homes;
- 3,395 issuances helped people pay for rent and utility arrears, last month's rent and other housing costs through the Housing Stability Fund;
- 238 people at risk of homelessness were helped through the Homelessness Coordinated Response Team; and
- Almost \$1 million secured for "Home for Good" funding to support vulnerable populations experiencing homelessness.

Check for updates on the www.peterborough.ca/housingandhomelessnessplan

This information is also available on our City of Peterborough website, www.peterborough.ca.

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