

Staff Report to Council - for Information

Title: Local Data Resource for Non-Profit Housing Developers

From: Tina Metcalfe, Director Human Services

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Report Purpose:

This report is for information.

Report Summary:

The Local Data Resource for Non-Profit Housing Developers contains data and recommendations specific to deeply affordable housing need across Bruce County, based on low-income indicators, core housing needs, community housing waitlist, and By-Name List.

Background:

Affordable housing is a challenge not only locally, but also provincially and nationally. Low vacancy rates and lack of housing supply have led to high rental costs. Further, there is a particular need to address housing for vulnerable populations. To implement sustainable solutions, support from all levels of government and a high-level of collaboration with key stakeholders in our community is essential.

Building affordable housing of various types and forms in Bruce County will create housing options that reflect the life stages of individuals and families, contribute to the development of complete and inclusive communities, and support community well-being and prosperity.

Based on the <u>Demographic Housing Study prepared by KPMG</u>, <u>research themes from Bruce County's Community Development Office</u>, and feedback from community stakeholders, there is a key role for not-for-profit housing development with government supports in the creation of transitional, supportive, and deeply affordable housing.

Financial/Staffing/Legal/IT Considerations:

There are no financial/staffing/legal or IT considerations associated with this report.

Interdepartmental Consultation:

The Human Services Data Analysis Coordinator led the development of the Local Data Resource for Non-Profit Housing Developers with key input from Housing Services and the Community Development Office.

Link to Strategic Goals and Objectives:

Community and Partnerships - Build a strong and inclusive community

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