



BRUCE COUNTY COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

Housing Action Plan

2024-2026



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Current Actions 2022-2024

Bruce County began taking focused and coordinated action on housing in 2022-23.



Housing Continuum

Bruce County Housing Services Manager

Bruce County Planning & Development



NON-MARKET HOUSING

MARKET HOUSING

Homelessness Services

Social services for people who lack stable, safe, or adequate housing.

Emergency Shelters

Short-term lodging for people experiencing homelessness.

Transitional Housing

Temporary housing for people transitioning from shelters to permanent housing.

Supportive Housing

Facilities with integrated services to help people live independently.

Community or Social Housing

Developed with public funding; owned/operated by government, non-profits, or co-operatives.

Below-Market Rental/Ownership

Private rental or ownership units subsidized by government.

Private Rental

Units owned by individuals/firms charging market rents.

Home Ownership

Housing purchased by individuals/households at market prices.

Community Development Office

Actions on Housing 2024-2026

Areas of Practice



Research & Monitoring Actions



Monitor and share best practices



Monitor federal and provincial funding and program announcements



Report on housing units approved through planning applications



Report on housing units constructed



Monitor and report on housing needs



Report progress on Housing Action Plan initiatives

Policy & Regulation Actions



Update County and local Official Plans



Update local zoning by-laws



Planning process improvement

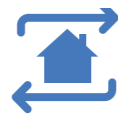
Community Development Programs



Surplus land inventory



Housing concierge service



Home share program

Incentives to Impact Affordability



Advocate for permission to create a County-wide Affordable Housing Community Improvement Plan



Consider funding options for affordable housing incentives



Identify ways to support private and non-profit affordable housing builds

Consultation & Engagement Actions



Engage municipalities in Housing Action Plan implementation



Engage Saugeen Ojibway Nation Environment Office and Indigenous Serving Organizations



Grow non-profit housing supply



Understand workforce housing needs



Engage developers

Education, Communication & Advocacy Actions



Encourage additional residential units



Share information about housing need in Bruce County



Share information with landlords and tenants



Communicate changes that can impact supply and affordability of housing



Advocate to other levels of government for tools and funding needed to impact housing supply and affordability



Next Steps

Bruce County is well positioned to undertake the actions outlined in this Plan. Aligning the work of multiple Departments represented on the Housing Cross Functional Team has focused the County's organizational capacity to deliver on the 25 actions identified in this Plan.



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