

Staff Report to Council - for Information

Title: Human Services Q1 2025 Update

From: Tina Metcalfe, Director Human Services

Date: May 15, 2025

Report Number: HS-2025-018

Report Purpose:

This report is for information.

Report Summary:

The Human Services Department Quarterly Update, attached, provides an overview of service delivery, community trends and outcomes achieved in Q1 2025.

Background/Analysis:

Bruce County Human Services embraces an equitable and person-centred approach in the delivery of programs and supports in our communities, including:

- 1. Housing and homelessness supports,
- 2. Early learning programs and supports for licenced child care,
- 3. Financial and stability supports, and
- 4. Strategic community initiatives.

The priority of the Human Services department is to ensure all residents in our community feel valued and included.

Financial/Staffing/Legal/IT Considerations:

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

Interdepartmental Consultation:

There were no interdepartmental consultations required for this report.

Link to Strategic Goals and Objectives:

Community and Partnerships - Build a strong and inclusive community

Community and Partnerships - Enhance and grow partnerships

Link to Departmental Plan Goals and Objectives, if any:

The coordinated management of Bruce County Child Care and Early Years programs and supports is in alignment with the <u>Early Learning and Child Care Service System Plan 2024-2028</u>.

The coordinated management of deeply affordable housing and housing stability supports, emergency shelter, and homelessness solutions is in alignment with strategic pillars and objectives outlined in the Housing & Homelessness Plan Strategic Pillars & Objectives Report (November 2024) and Housing and Homelessness Update Report (May 2025).

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Attachments:

Attachment #1 - Human Services Q1 2025 Update