

HS 2023-03 – Attachment 1
2022 Annual Progress Report on the 10 Year Shelter Plan as of December 31, 2022

Recommendation #1	Actions	Measures	Targets	Outcomes	Status	Comments
Increase affordable rental housing supply	<p>New Affordable housing units are created.</p> <p>The County Municipal Housing Facilities By-law was updated to include more support to moderate income households.</p> <p>The Master Housing Strategy was adopted to provide a more strategic approach to affordable housing creation.</p>	<p>Additional rental stock is created throughout the County.</p> <p>Government, non-profit and private sector resources are leveraged to stimulate housing supply.</p>	Support the creation of 50 new affordable units per year.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Three affordable rental projects were completed or are approaching completion, being a 98 unit apartment building, including 62 affordable units, at 1231 Nellis Street, Woodstock; a 30 unit apartment building, including 22 affordable units, in Blandford-Blenheim; and an 8 unit affordable housing project on the County owned housing site located at 738 Parkinson Road, Woodstock. • Two Habitat for Humanity home ownership units were completed in Drumbo, while one new build was initiated in Tillsonburg. • Two affordable rental projects were initiated, including an 18 unit affordable housing project at 31 Victoria Street, Tillsonburg and a 52 unit apartment building, including 29 affordable units, at 785 Southwood Way, Woodstock. • The My Second Unit program was implemented. • The Home Ownership Program was updated to reflect current market conditions. • County Council approved an allocation of up to \$1.2 million, to support future affordable housing projects at 175 Springbank Avenue North, Woodstock. An RFP was issued and is currently on hold in light of the County's submission to CMHC for potential funding through the Rapid Housing Initiative. • An Expression of Interest was issued to expend up to \$700,000 in County funding to support the creation of affordable rental units across the County. • Through Report No. HS 2022-10, County Council also adopted a Master Housing Strategy, which includes a number of priority housing developments projects. 	Ongoing	<p>Staff continued to promote advanced construction techniques (modular), additional residential units, special zone provisions, development of multi-unit affordable housing projects, the availability of shovel-ready land and communication regarding the development process.</p> <p>County Council also adopted a Master Housing Strategy, which includes a number of priority housing development projects to assist in providing a more comprehensive approach to address gaps along the housing continuum.</p>
Recommendation #2	Actions	Measures	Targets	Outcomes	Status	Comments

Preserve and optimize existing housing stock	34 housing projects listed in Schedule 25 of Regulation 368/11 are maintained.	Rent subsidies are maintained in current non-profit housing and Oxford County housing portfolios. New Agreements are signed between the County and non-profit housing providers whose operating agreements are expiring (provincial subsidies ceasing). Building Condition Assessments (BCA) are completed for Oxford County housing stock.	100% of existing housing stock is preserved.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 34 housing projects listed in Schedule 25 of Regulation 368/11 were maintained. Worked with housing providers that have agreements near completion. Promoted the completion of Building Condition Assessments (BCA) for non-profit and cooperative housing providers. 	Complete and ongoing	As mortgages come to a close and operating agreements start to expire, there is an increasing need to focus on expanding/revitalizing existing housing sites. The Master Housing Strategy examined existing housing sites throughout the County, to determine if redevelopment is possible in an effort to extend service agreements.
Recommendation #3	Actions	Measures	Targets	Outcomes	Status	Comments
Reduce chronic homelessness	Increase the number of individuals who are successfully housed. Work with community partners to ensure secured housing is sustained.	Individuals and families are supported by community partners to obtain and sustain shelter or permanent housing.	100% of homelessness population is provided with shelter or permanent housing.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Continued to support households in securing housing. 35 households moved into RGI housing in 2022. Worked with community partners to ensure secured housing is sustained. Implementation of the By Name List in July 2022 and worked to establish a Coordinated Access System in the County for Homelessness Prevention. 	Ongoing	There is a continued and ongoing need to reduce chronic homelessness. Staff also consulted with community partners in an effort to provide more supports to those in need. In addition, the over night Emergency Shelter expanded services to deliver 24/7 emergency shelter services effective December 2022.
Recommendation #4	Actions	Measures	Targets	Outcomes	Status	Comments
Increase housing with related supports (supportive)	Increase number of supportive housing units available. The Ministry of Health and Long Term care increases funding to allow outreach workers provide the necessary supports to individuals and families who require supports to sustain their home.	Provide rent supplements to allow individuals who require supportive housing to focus on their wellness. Advocate to the Local Health Integration Network or Ontario Health Team to ensure appropriate funding is allocated to Oxford to	100% of those in need of housing with related supports (supportive) are accommodated.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Increased the number of supportive housing units that are available. The Ministry of Health and Long Term care increases funding to allow outreach workers to provide the necessary supports to individuals and families who require supports to sustain their home. Initiated 8 new units at 738 Parkinson Road. 	Ongoing	There is a continued and ongoing need to increase housing related support. Staff also consulted with community partners in an effort to provide more supports to those in need. A peer outreach position was also initiated to facilitate ongoing support in Downtown Woodstock.

Recommendation #5	Actions	Measures	Targets	Outcomes	Status	Comments
Increase rent supplement units in the community including the Canada Ontario Housing Benefit program	Increase number of privately owned rental units allow tenants in receipt of a rent supplement to sign a lease.	Provide rent supplements to individuals and families and women fleeing an abusive living environment who are on the social housing wait list and who can secure housing in the private rental market with subsidy to move with them.	100% of new rent supplement funding is offered to low income households.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The number of privately owned rental units decreased in 2022 due to increased rental rates leading to larger subsidy needed to attain affordability for tenants to sign a lease. 57 households received the Canada-Ontario Housing Benefit shelter subsidy. Provided 68 additional rent supplements. 	Complete and ongoing	<p>High rental rates requiring higher subsidies to attain affordability resulted in a decrease in the number of household able to be assisted.</p> <p>Low vacancy rates meant people were not moving resulting in less move outs from RGI housing and rent supplement housing.</p> <p>Supported applications for Canada Ontario Housing Benefit Program funding for eligible households.</p>