

Affordable Rental Housing in Waterloo Region

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About the Problem

Canada is currently in a housing crisis. Issues related to the need for safe affordable housing are in the news daily. As a non-profit that builds and operates affordable rental housing in Waterloo Region, how can we best position ourselves to respond in a meaningful way?

About the Community Partner

We create homes for people in need of affordable housing. We develop housing that is economically and environmentally sustainable and includes supportive services.

Our Values

- **Housing is a Human Right** We believe that adequate, safe and secure housing is a fundamental human right. We are committed to providing quality, affordable housing that is thoughtfully designed and is responsive to the needs of tenants, recognizing that stable and secure housing improves quality of life.
- **Equity, Integrity and Respect** We respect and value the diversity of people in our community. We adhere to high ethical and professional standards in our work and relationships. We are fair and respectful in our interactions and treat everyone with respect and dignity.
- Accountability and Sustainability We are accountable for our actions. We accept responsibility for our performance and share the results of our work in an open and transparent manner. We balance fiscal prudence with asset preservation, environmental sustainability and social responsibility.
- Collaboration and Community Through collaboration and partnerships, we work with others to achieve common goals, build communities and create places to call "home".
 We provide support services to our tenants to develop communities where each person is valued and has a sense of belonging.
- **Creativity and Innovation** We are open to change and we continuously seek new approaches to enhance the development and operation of affordable housing.

Impact on the Organization

If this research provides new insights that we can implement to create new housing more quickly or cost effectively, it will have a real impact on people in our community.

Potential Connections & Data Sources

Other housing providers, potentially funders, government staff in the housing sector.





