

# **RENFREW COUNTY HOUSING CORPORATION**

Tuesday, November 9, 2021 – 1:00 p.m. County of Renfrew Administration Building

## AGENDA

- 1. Call to order.
- 2. Land Acknowledgement.
- 3. Roll call.
- 4. Disclosure of pecuniary interest and general nature thereof.
- 5. Adoption of minutes of previous meeting held on October 13, 2021.
- 6. Delegations: None at the time of mailing.

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10.	New Business.	

- 11. Closed Meeting None at time of mailing.
- 12. Date of next meeting (at the call of the Chair) and adjournment.
- **NOTE:** (a) Submissions received from the public, either orally or in writing may become part of the public record.

## **Strategic Plan**

Strategic Plan Goal # 1: To inform the Federal and Provincial government on our unique needs so that Renfrew County residents get their "fair share".

Initiatives:

- (a) Create s strategic communications plan
- (b) Identify and advocate for issues important to the County of Renfrew.

Strategic Plan Goal # 2: Fiscal sustainability for the Corporation of the County of Renfrew and its ratepayers.

Initiatives:

- (a) Commitment from Council supporting principles within the Long-Term Financial Plan
- (b) Establish Contingency Plan to respond to provincial and federal financial pressures and opportunities beyond the Long-Term Financial Plan.

Strategic Plan Goal # 3: Find cost savings that demonstrate our leadership while still meeting community needs.

Initiatives:

- (a) Complete community needs assessment
- (b) With identified partners implement plan to optimize service delivery to the benefit of our residents.

Strategic Plan Goal # 4: Position the County of Renfrew so that residents benefit from advances in technology, to ensure that residents and staff have fair, affordable and reasonable access to technology.

Initiatives

- (a) Ensure that the County of Renfrew is top of the list for Eastern Ontario Regional Network funding for mobile broadband
- (b) Lobby for secure and consistent radio systems for first responders and government
- (c) Put a County of Renfrew technology strategy in place.

#### **COUNTY OF RENFREW**

## COMMUNITY SERVICES DEPARTMENT RENFREW COUNTY HOUSING CORPORATION

**TO:** Renfrew County Housing Corporation Board of Directors

**FROM:** Laura LePine, Director of Community Services

DATE: November 9, 2021

**SUBJECT:** Director's Report

#### INFORMATION

#### 1. Social Housing Quarterly Payment [Strategic Plan Goal #2]

Attached as Appendix I is a letter dated October 15, 2021 from the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing regarding the Social Housing October 2021 Quarterly Payment.

## COUNTY OF RENFREW COMMUNITY SERVICES DEPARTMENT RENFREW COUNTY HOUSING CORPORATION

- TO: Renfrew County Housing Corporation Board of Directors
- **FROM:** Jennifer Dombroskie, Manager, Housing and Homelessness
- DATE: November 9, 2021

SUBJECT: Monthly Report

#### INFORMATION

1. 2021 Third Quarter Community Housing Registry Waitlist Statistics [Strategic Plan Goals #1, #2 & #3]

	New Eligible Applications	Total Eligible Applications	Total # of Active Applicants	Eligible Transfer Applicants	Eligible SP Applicants
Senior	16	152	95	10	1
Adult	144	471	562	38	4
Family	63	445	480	35	36
TOTALS	223	*1068	**1137	83	41

\*1068 eligible applications as of September 30, 2021

Bedroom	Senior	Adult	Family
Size			
1	141	455	0
2	11	16	192
3	0	0	153
4	0	0	74
5	0	0	26
TOTALS	152	471	445

Bedroom	Senior	Adult	Family	Dependents
Size				
1	79	529	0	0
2	16	33	207	176
3	0	0	160	188
4	0	0	78	146
5	0	0	35	86
TOTALS	95	562	480	596

\*\*1137 active applicants as of September 30, 2021

2. Move Ins, Move Outs, and Internal Transfers Comparison (Third Quarter 2021) [Strategic Plan Goal #1]

	Move Outs Third Quarter 2021	Move Ins Third Quarter 2021	Internal Transfers Third Quarter 2021
Pembroke & Area	10	12	0
Renfrew	5	4	2
Arnprior	5	6	2

3. Landlord and Tenant Board Notices and Applications (Third Quarter 2021) [Strategic Plan Goals #1 & #2]

Third Quarter	Arnprior	Renfrew	Pembroke & Area
N4's Issued	66	62	255
N5's Issued	2	2	4
N6's Issued	0	1	0
N7's Issued	0	0	2
L1's Issued	0	0	1

N4 Notice to Terminate a Tenancy Early for Non-Payment of Rent

- N5 Notice to Terminate a Tenancy Early
- N6 Notice to Terminate a Tenancy Early for Illegal Acts
- N7 10-Day Notice to Terminate a Tenancy Early
- L1 Application to Evict a Tenant for Non-payment of Rent and to Collect Rent the Tenant Owes

# 4. Renfrew County Housing Corporation Rent Arrears (Third Quarter 2021) [Strategic Plan Goals #1 & #2]

Attached as Appendix RCHC-I is the Renfrew County Housing Corporation Arrears Report.

Attached as Appendix RCHC-II is the Renfrew County Housing Corporation Comparison Arrears Report.

# Consolidated Homelessness Prevention Initiative (CHPI) 2021 Third Quarter (July 1, 2021 – September 30, 2021) Update [Strategic Plan Goals #1, #2 & #3]

Originally implemented in January 2013, the Community Homelessness Prevention Initiative (CHPI) is a 100 per cent provincially funded outcomesbased program that aims to prevent and end homelessness by improving access to adequate, suitable, and affordable housing and homelessness services for people experiencing homelessness and for people at-risk of homelessness.

The County of Renfrew's CHPI allocation for 2021-2022 is \$1,447,608. This funding is used to deliver local programs that help with housing security: Homelessness Prevention Program (HPP), Rent Allowance, and Emergency Minor Home Repairs.

## Homelessness Prevention Program (HPP)

This is an emergency program that helps people to keep their current housing or secure new housing. Details about approved expenses and eligibility requirements can be found on the County's website <u>Homelessness Prevention Program</u> webpage.

Number of Approved	Third Quarter HPP	
Applications Third Quarter	Expenditure	
234	\$210,860.71	

### **Rent Allowance**

The CHPI Rental Allowance Program is a monthly supplement paid to the landlord on behalf of a household in need of rental assistance; \$275/month for single people or couples with no dependents or \$375/month for families or sole support parents with children. This supplement is meant to bridge the gap between affordable rent and the actual market rent charged by the landlord. Households can remain eligible for up to three years and eligibility is verified annually.

			Third
Month	Single	Family	Quarter
			Expenditure
July	118	43	\$48,575
August	120	44	\$49,500
September	120	44	\$49,500
Total Third Quarter			\$147,575
Expenditure			

Households Assisted – 2021 Third Quarter

### **Emergency Minor Home Repairs**

This program helps low-income homeowners stay safely housed within their home by covering essential minor home repairs up to \$5000.

Number of Approved	Third Quarter HPP	
Applications 2021 Third Quarter	Expenditure	
4	\$17,841.87	

## 6. Treasurer's Report [Strategic Plan Goal #2]

Attached as Appendix RCHC-III is the Consolidated Treasurer's Report for the Renfrew County Housing Corporation at September 30, 2021.

### RESOLUTIONS

# Renfrew County Housing Corporation Updated Lease [Strategic Plan Goal #2]

**Recommendation:** THAT the Renfrew County Housing Corporation Board of Directors approve the proposed lease amendments; AND FURTHER that the revised lease shall come into effect once approved and will be used with new tenants or tenants that require a lease renewal. The proposed lease amendments reflect the legislative changes as follows:

- Calculating rent based on the Income Tax Notice of Assessment (where possible) for the applicable year
- Rent will be calculated and set for the next 12-month period no further monthly adjustments
- A detailed list of circumstances where an in-year review would be conducted
- Updates to included and excluded income types

### Background

Ontario Regulation 316/19 replaced Regulation 298/01 as well as amendments to Regulation 367/11. These changes were made to support Rent Geared to Income (RGI) simplification to make rent calculations easier for Service Managers and Housing providers and easier for tenants to predict and understand.

Attached as Appendix RCHC-IV is the proposed RCHC Lease.

## COUNTY OF RENFREW COMMUNITY SERVICES DEPARTMENT RENFREW COUNTY HOUSING CORPORATION

- **TO:** Renfrew County Housing Corporation Board of Directors
- **FROM:** Kevin Raddatz, Manager of Real Estate
- DATE: November 9, 2021

**SUBJECT:** Manager of Real Estate's Report

#### INFORMATION

# 1. Renfrew County Housing Corporation Property Project Update – Quarter 4 [Strategic Plan Goal #2]

Attached as Appendix RE-I is the Renfrew County Housing Corporation Projects Update.