



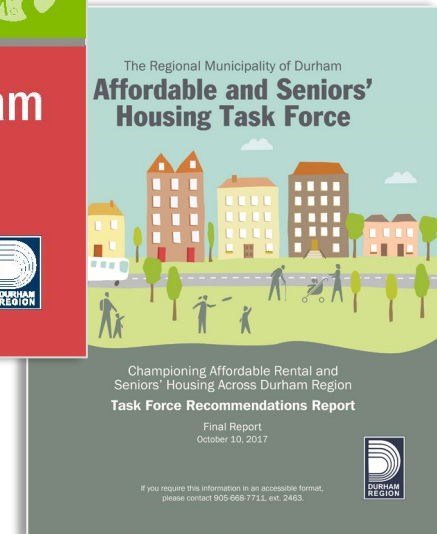
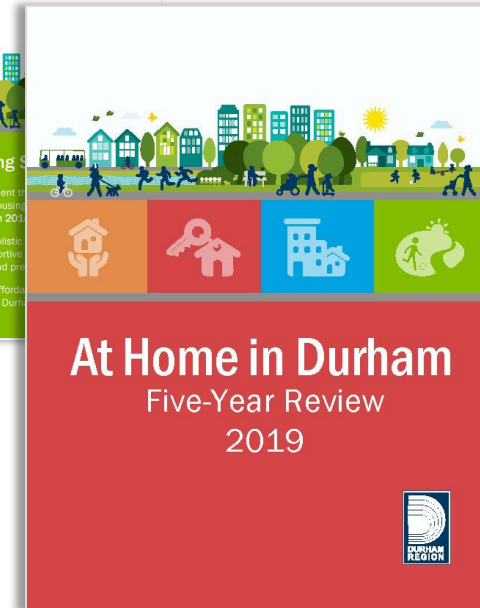
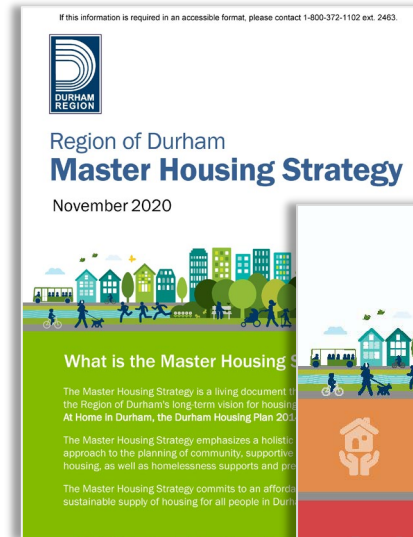
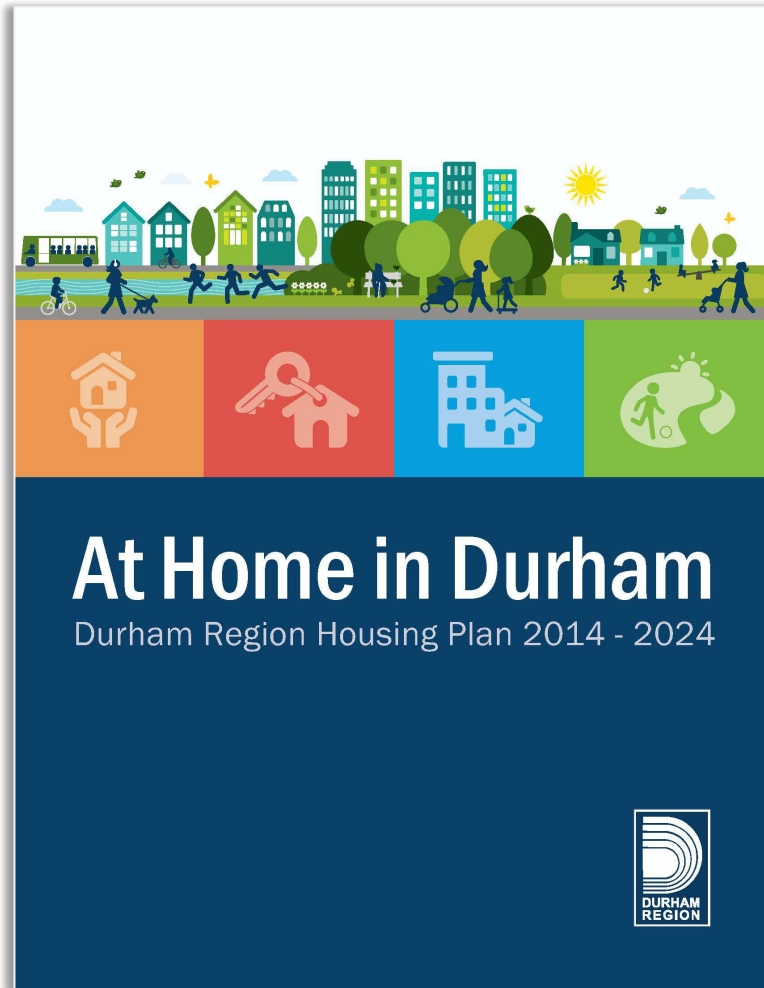
# At Home in Durham

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# Our Commitments



Reduce chronic homelessness to zero



Increase the supply of affordable rental housing by 1,000 units

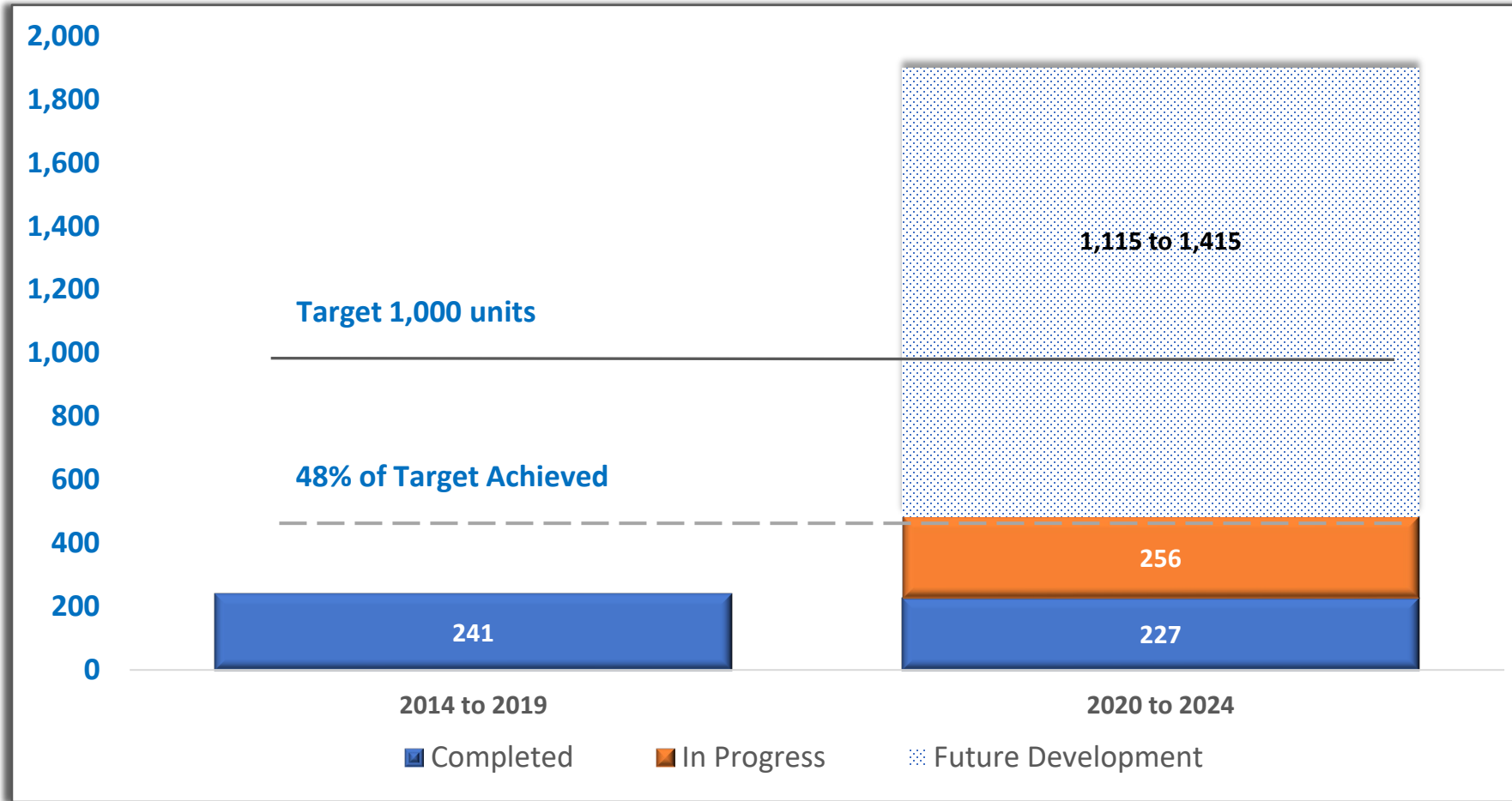


Increase the supply of medium to high density housing



Make significant progress in the regeneration of community housing

# New Affordable Rental Housing Units





# Projects Under Development

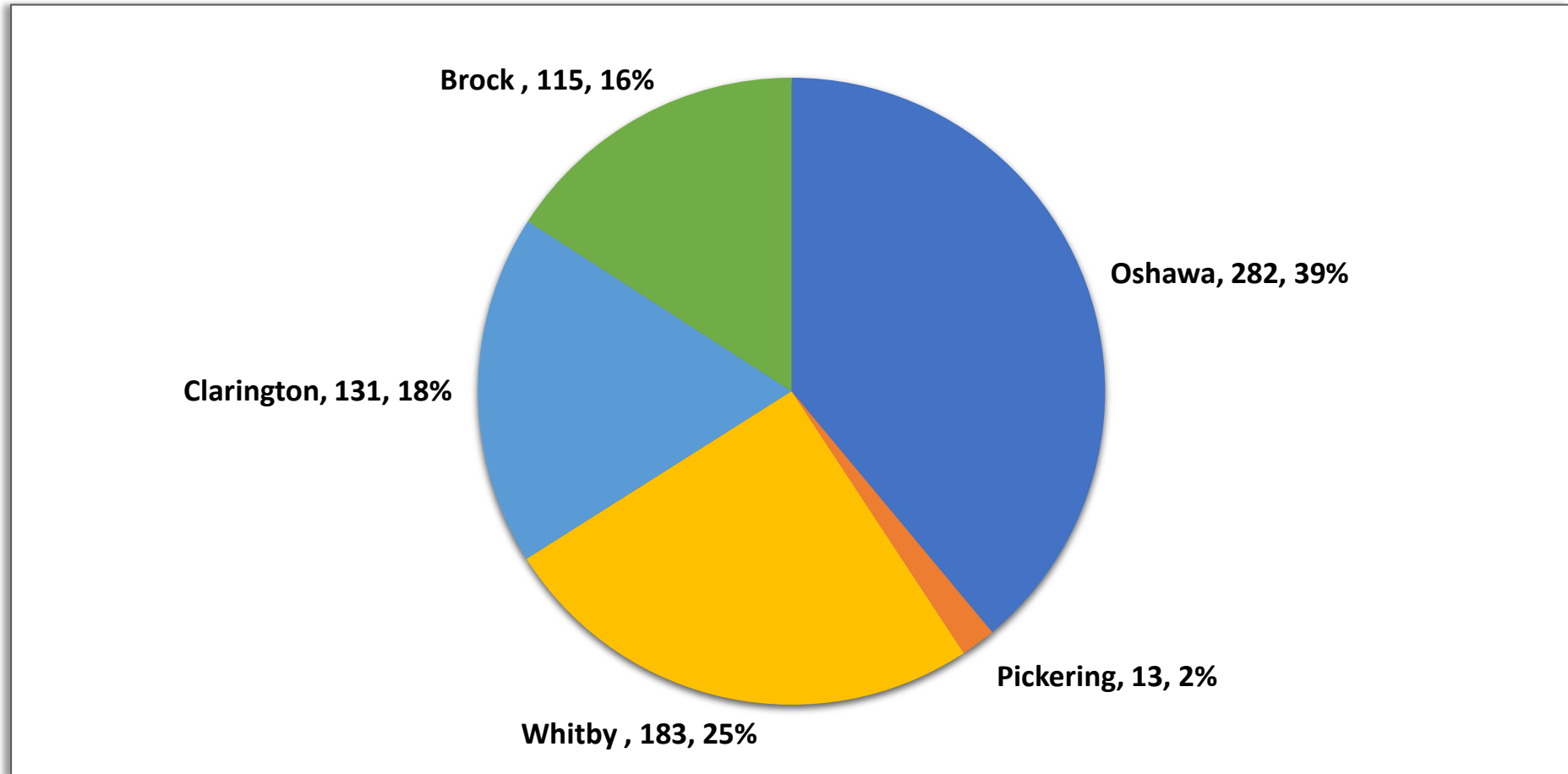
8 projects | 256 units

- Beaverton Supportive Housing (47)
- Non-profit development (121)
- AHIP Projects (88)

To be completed between 2023 and 2026



## Affordable Housing Unit - Completed and In Progress By Municipality



# At Home Incentive Program

- Capital funding for new purpose-built affordable rental housing
  - Minimum 5 per cent of units must be affordable
  - Minimum 25 year affordability period
- 2022 Call for applications resulted in a \$7.45 million investment
  - \$5.5 M Oshawa 75 units
  - \$1.95 M Pickering 18 units
- Next call for applications expected in Fall 2023



# Financial Housing Benefits

- Low- and moderate-income renters need rental assistance to make rents affordable
- **Canada-Ontario Housing Benefit (COHB)**  
Federally/provincially funded benefit that can be used anywhere in Ontario  
Administered by Ministry of Finance
- **Durham PHB**  
Municipally funded benefit that can be used anywhere in Durham



# Community Housing

Opportunity to rethink community housing partnerships at EOA/EOM

- Housing Services Act changes – July 2020
  - Streamlined framework to support long-term sustainability of community housing
- Regulatory changes – July 2022
  - Part VII.1 service agreements
  - Alternate forms of financial housing assistance
  - Exit agreements



# Capital Needs

## Insufficient capital reserves to address capital needs

- \$15 million annual capital requirements
- Less than \$5 million in annual capital reserve contributions

## COCHI funding is increasing

- 2022 funding = \$0.9 million
- 2023-2024 funding = \$4.6 million
- 2024-2025 funding = \$6.3 million



# Envision Durham



- Ensuring an adequate supply of housing in Durham
- Stronger policies to prevent the loss of rental housing
- New affordable housing target of at least 35 per cent in Strategic Growth Areas
- New policy to encourage less expensive housing
- Reduced parking standards
- Regional Housing Assessment Report to support Inclusionary Zoning
- Requiring an affordability and accessibility analysis for all major residential development applications

# Homelessness

- 2022 By-Name List (BNL) & Co-ordinated Access
  - 218 homeless people and families housed
  - 131 chronically homeless
- 2023 homelessness funding increase
  - \$25.6 million – total federal, provincial and Regional funding
  - \$6.3 million – Regional funding increased from \$27,000 in 2021
  - \$12.1 million – planned for housing programs or homelessness prevention
- Ending homelessness requires a co-ordinated and responsive continuum of supports for people experiencing homelessness – supported by a robust and affordable rental sector.



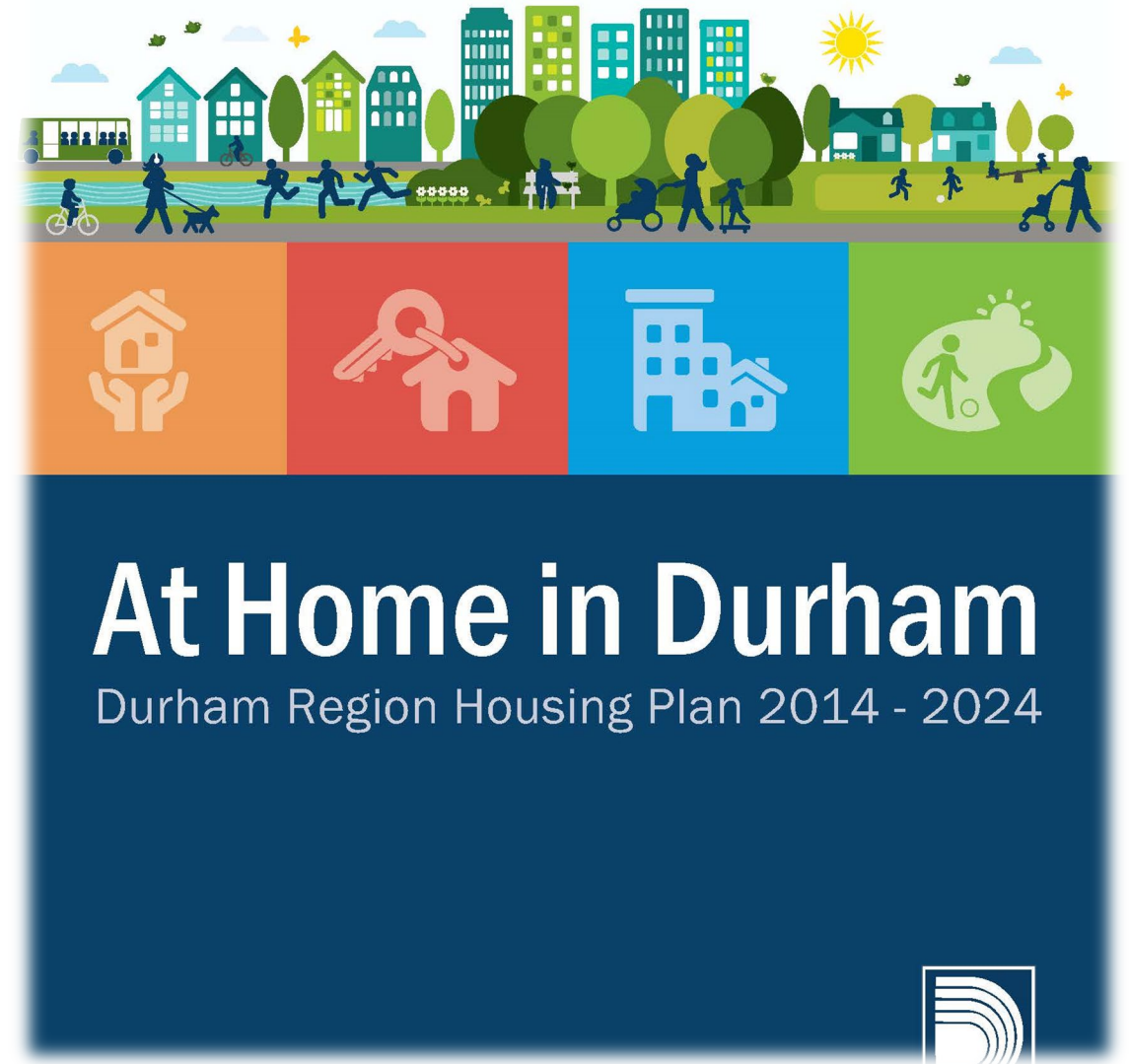
## Next Steps

New housing development

Renewed community  
housing partnerships

Housing benefits

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2035







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