

Partnerships in Housing Individuals with Developmental Disabilities

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Purpose of the Durham System Management Committee

Share responsibility for local problem solving, service management, and the coordinated use of resources in the Developmental Services Sector to address established service priorities, plan and implement initiatives, identify system gaps, and develop strategies to resolve gaps

Review all available data, service trends and needs to inform and support annual local planning, strategic priority setting, and continuous service improvement



Growing National Challenges

18%

HOMELESSNESS

18% of people who are in shelters have a developmental disability according to Dr. Sylvan Roy, PhD, President, Ontario Psychological Association

50%

HEALTH

50% live with significant medical issues according to Health Care Access Research and Developmental Disabilities

65%

ABUSE

Women with a developmental disability are 65% more likely to experience abuse

90%

POVERTY

90% live below the poverty line



- About 100,000 Ontario adults have a developmental disability. An estimated 40% (40,000) of these people also have a concurrent mental health diagnosis
- An estimated 14,000 Ontario individuals with an intellectual disability are on a non-municipal waiting list for residential housing with a projected 40 year waiting list

Service Registry Information for Durham Region

The service registry information below compares the resources declared by service agencies in Durham Region or "what is available", to the services that are requested by adults with developmental disabilities that live in Durham Region. (22/23 Fiscal Year)

| Service Type | Resources Declared | Service Requests Immediate readiness for Service |
|---------------------------------|--------------------|--|
| Group Home | 23 | 1369 |
| Supported Independent Living | 18 | 852 |
| Associate Family | 2 | 330 |
| Individualized Housing Support | 0 | 494 |
| Community Participation Support | 28 | 1861 |
| Respite | 28 | 1572 |



Our Ask

Our aim is to improve the availability and affordability of housing for individuals with developmental disabilities.

HOW

Federal Government

- federal investments through co-investment fund reflect current day costs
- establish a dedicated pathway for deeply affordable and supportive housing for the Developmental Services Sector

Provincial Government

- Provincial investment in housing for people with developmental disabilities earmarking 10% of the National Housing Strategy funding to this critical need AND, requiring municipalities to commit accordingly.



Municipal

- Partner with local agencies serving those with developmental disabilities to quickly build more housing
- Establish an equitable assignment of land, funds, and resources for affordable, accessible and supportive housing for individuals with developmental disabilities
- Ensure favourable zoning to allow for more inclusive communities providing affordable, accessible and supportive housing.



Thank You

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