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### **2016 Progress Report on the 10-year Housing and Homelessness Plan**

The 2016 Progress Report on housing and homeless is now available. This is the third annual report since 2014. It is how we tell the community that we are reaching the goals of the 10-year Housing and Homelessness Plan.

As you will see in the report, the theme for 2016 was collaboration. We heard from people who use housing and homelessness services. We worked with community, private sector partners, and senior governments. We built on relationships with neighbouring Service Managers that are also responsible for housing and homelessness. Together, we brainstormed how to make limited resources go further and shared best practices.

Collaboration has helped us achieve many accomplishments that better serve people with low and moderate incomes in 2016, including:

- 15 single-room occupancy supportive rental units at the redeveloped Brock Mission for men who have been chronically homeless were approved;
- 28 new affordable rental apartments for singles and families in the redeveloped McRae Campus were approved;
- 32 renters got help with a down payment to buy a house;
- 44 homeowners got help for necessary repairs, upgrades and accessibility modifications to their homes;
- 3,653 issuances helped people pay for rent and utility arrears, last month's rent and other housing costs through the Housing Stability Fund;
- 165 people at-risk of homelessness were helped through the Homelessness Coordinated Response Team; and
- 54 people who had been guests of the Warming Room stayed connected to staff after it closed for the season in April.

Check for updates on the [http://www.peterborough.ca/Living/City\\_Services/Housing\\_Division/10-year\\_Housing\\_and\\_Homelessness\\_Plan.htm](http://www.peterborough.ca/Living/City_Services/Housing_Division/10-year_Housing_and_Homelessness_Plan.htm).

This information is also available on our City of Peterborough website, [www.peterborough.ca](http://www.peterborough.ca).

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