

National Housing Day Halton Region 2018

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Objective of Presentation

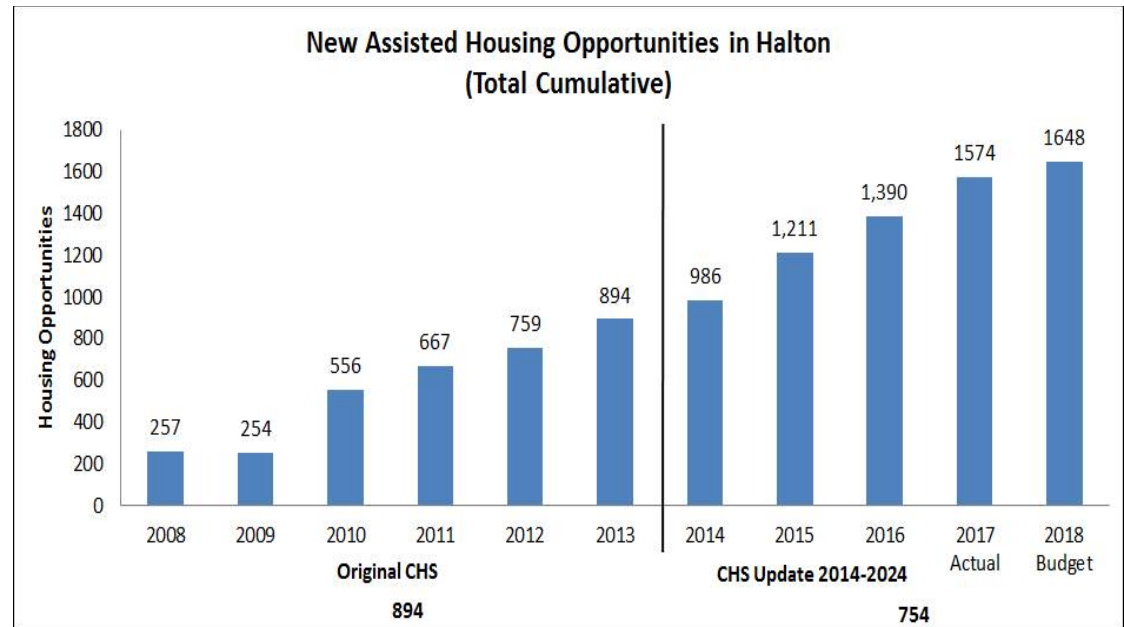
- Update on progress made
- Articulate 2019 and go-forward housing and homelessness prevention priorities
- Inform you about an opportunity to create new purpose built housing

Progress Made - Highlights

1,648 new housing opportunities created since the original CHS was created in 2008 and growing annually

Since 2014:

- 184 units of new assisted rental stock has been created:
 - 74 condominiums purchased
 - 62 new units developed
 - 28 units acquired
 - 20 units of secondary suites



- Capital upgrades – over \$5M in capital repairs and upgrades to existing Social Housing projects to improve operating efficiencies and extend the life of the facilities
- Funding provided for modifications to allow eligible homeowners to stay in their own homes and continue to live independently

Progress Made – Highlights (cont.)

- Increase in Housing Subsidies:
 - Halton In-Situ Program (HIP) – over 300 Halton individuals and families receiving this portable housing allowance, and growing
 - Halton Rental Assistance Program (HRAP) –new rent supplements created, an increase over the period of the CHS
- Greater support for Special Priority Groups:
 - SPP – support for victims of domestic violence
 - SDV-PHB – a Portable Housing Benefit for Victims of Domestic Violence
 - Anti-human Trafficking – a collaboration with Sexual Assault and Violence Intervention Services and Summit Housing to respond to crisis situation and pull individuals out of the Sex trade.
 - Syrian Refugee program in partnership with Halton Multicultural Council created to address emergency need for resettlement and supports.



Progress Made – Highlights (cont.)

- New / Enhanced Homelessness Prevention Initiatives / Programs:
 - Housing First
 - New transitional housing agreements
 - Halton Housing Help
 - Housing Stability Fund
 - Home for Good

- Planning tools
 - Development Charges Deferral Program
 - Community Improvement Plans



Progress Made – Highlights (cont.)

- Improved System Navigation/Integration:
 - Housing and Homelessness Planning Table Implemented (Community Safety and Well Being Plan)
 - New Housing With Related Supports Standards implemented
 - Integrated Systems Navigators launched
 - Family Emergency Shelter Reformed
 - Homelessness Enumerated
 - Indigenous Homelessness Quantified
 - HATCH improvements implemented
- There is still more to be done...



Going Forward ...Birds Eye View

- Updating the Comprehensive Housing Strategy (CHS):
 - Assessing the evolving housing environment in Halton
 - Changing growth patterns
 - National Housing Strategy
 - Ensure CHS conforms with new legislative / policy requirements
- Moving forward on our priorities:
 - Human Service integration and improved system navigation
 - Evidence informed policy and program development
 - Increased engagement with our partners and stakeholders (shared initiatives)
 - Greater connectivity between housing and health sectors
 - Developing new housing opportunities, including potential intensification
 - Leveraging new planning tools (Inclusionary Zoning and Section 37)



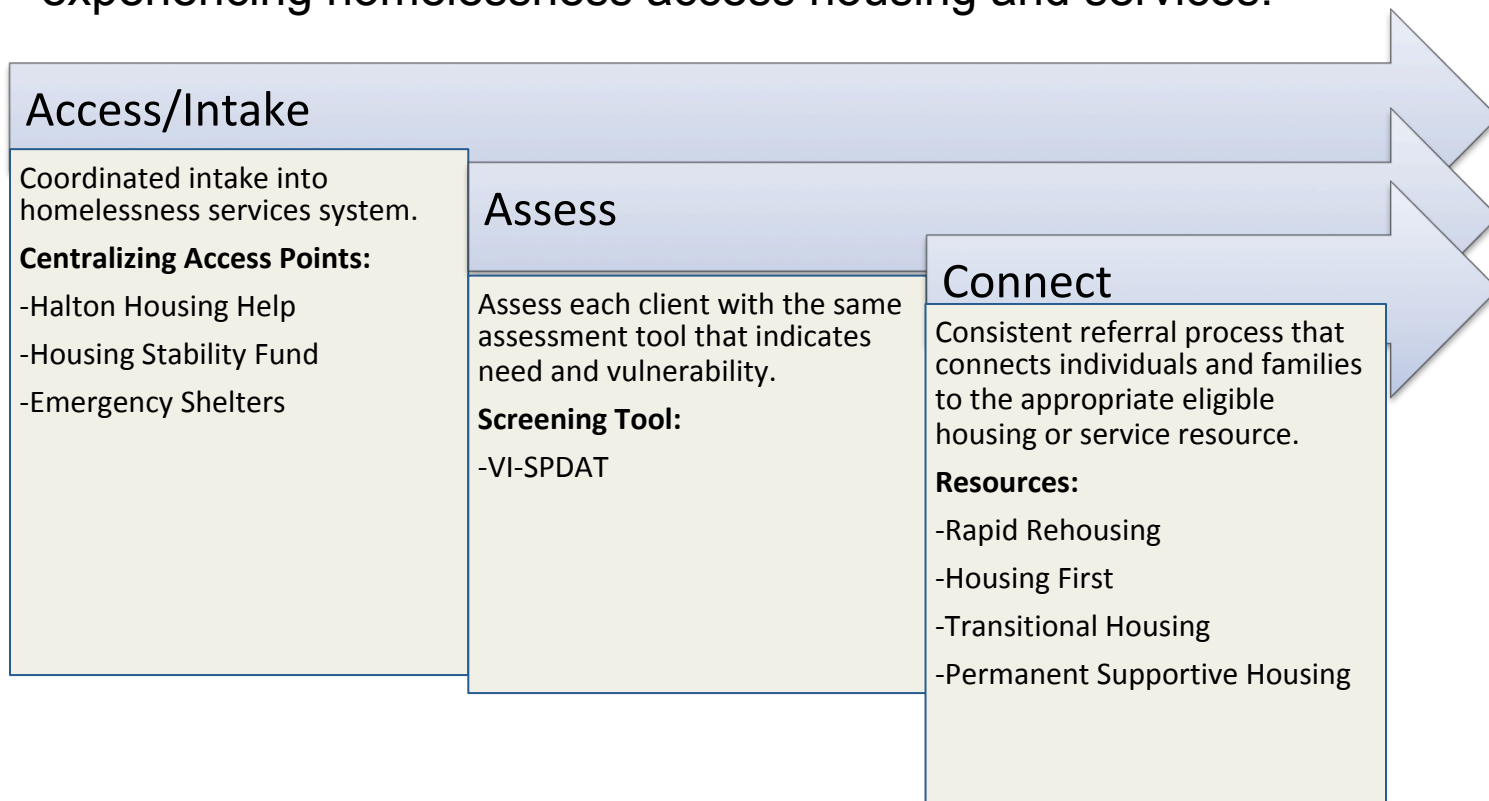
Strategic Opportunities

- Continue to refine actions in the CHS:
 - Homelessness Action Plan
 - Better coordination with Support services funded by LHIN and MCCSS
 - Strategic Asset Reviews to leverage regional redevelopment opportunities
- Capital Investment Opportunities:
 - Explore the development of a more strategic procurement strategy to identify new development opportunities
 - Identify projects to be supported for submission to the Co-investment fund and financing program
- Continued Outreach to sector partners:
 - Community Safety and Well Being Tables
 - Housing and Homelessness Summits
 - New forum in 2019 focused on developing new partnerships to increase the supply of Affordable, Assisted and Supportive Housing (Jan, 2019).



Homelessness 2019 Action Plan

- **Coordinated Access** is a way for communities to design, streamline, and bring consistency to the process by which people experiencing homelessness access housing and services.



Homelessness 2019 Action Plan (cont.)

- A strong Coordinated Access System uses a [By-Name List](#) and a [Housing First Approach](#) along with a standardized and coordinated process for access, assessment, prioritization and referral for housing and other services across all the agencies and organizations in a local area.
- A By-Name List is a **real-time** list of **all** people experiencing homelessness in your community. It includes a robust set of data points that support coordinated access and prioritization at a household level and an understanding of homeless inflow and outflow at a system level.
- This real-time **actionable data** supports **triage** to services, **system performance evaluation** and **advocacy** (for the policies and resources necessary to end homelessness).



Go-Forward Capital Strategy

- Implementation of a concierge approach to facilitate project partnerships and build sector capacity
- Creating different approaches for different opportunities:
 - Supporting applications to the Co-investment fund
 - Facilitating new partnerships between property developers and community based service providers
 - Regeneration and intensification of existing social housing communities
- Creation of additional new purpose built assisted housing in 2019 and beyond
- Session – January, 2019 (stay tuned for more information)



THANK YOU ANY QUESTIONS?

