Community Investment Fund Call for Applications: Housing Stability

Through the Community Investment Fund (CIF), the Regional Municipality of York invests in local initiatives delivered by not-for-profit community agencies and other partners. These initiatives target gaps in the delivery of human services, complement or enhance Regional programs and deliver on <u>investment priorities</u> approved by Regional Council in May 2023.

Results of the 2023 Housing Stability Call for Applications

In summer 2023, the Region concluded a call for applications from not-for-profit organizations and registered charities to deliver services for the Community Investment Fund's priority of Housing Stability. This opportunity aimed to provide funding to community agencies for the delivery of community-based services that help residents of York Region to be stably housed. As a result of this funding opportunity, the following community projects will be delivered in York Region:

360° kids Support Services

Landlord Engagement Specialist

Engage and connect landlords and property managers to prospective youth tenants and support landlord-tenant relationship to resolve issues and maintain tenancy. <u>https://www.360kids.ca/</u>

Blue Door Support Services

Housing For All

Creation of a vulnerable tenants handbook with information and resources specific to marginalized populations facing homelessness and support for the securing of donated properties and housing units for use as community-owned affordable housing (Affordable Housing Land Trust). <u>https://bluedoor.ca/</u>



Canadian Centre for Housing Rights

Capacity Building and Education on the Right to Housing in York Region

Housing rights workshops and Region-specific housing rights resources for residents and front-line workers to assist low-income and equity-deserving individuals to stabilize their housing.

Housing Access, Stabilization, and Eviction Prevention

Legal information, advice, system navigation, and referrals to pro bono legal assistance for renters facing eviction and housing insecurity in York Region. https://housingrightscanada.com/

Community and Home Assistance to Seniors (CHATS)

Hoarding/Tenancy Risk Reduction Services

Support to low-income adults living with mental illness, specifically hoarding disorder, to achieve sustainable and positive behaviour change that reduces risk of housing loss. https://chats.on.ca/

Community Legal Clinic of York Region

Tenant Rights Education for Newcomers

Housing rights education to newcomer tenants. https://clcyr.on.ca/

Inn from the Cold Inc.

Housing Retention Program

Case management to residents with high risk of recidivism back into homelessness to maintain housing retention.

https://www.innfromthecold.ca/

Jewish Family and Child Service of Greater Toronto

Housing Program Worker

Housing assessment, case management, search/placement support, eviction prevention, stabilization and referrals.

https://jiastoronto.org/

John Howard Society of York Region Access to Home

Intervention, community reintegration, and intensive case management of precariously housed adults in York Region, with a focus on those involved with the justice system. https://johnhoward.on.ca/yorkregion/

LOFT Community Services

Crosslinks Supported Eviction Prevention Pilot

Individualized and group-based life-enrichment supports tailored towards addressing challenges for tenants in social housing experiencing complex mental health and addiction challenges so that they can live sustainably and independently in their communities.

https://www.loftcs.org/

Midaynta Community Services

HomeSafe York

Culturally sensitive tenants' rights education and advocacy, information and system navigation, landlord engagement, and housing counseling and support. https://midaynta.com/

The Housing Help Centre

Eviction Prevention Through Information Dissemination, Mediation, Settlement, and Re-Housing

Information dissemination to target populations, y landlord-tenant mediation and settlements, and tenant rehousing supports. https://www.shhc.ca/housing-help-york

VHA Home HealthCare

Rebound and Reclaim

Comprehensive cleaning services and ongoing support to individuals with serious mental illness and/or physical disabilities, at-risk of eviction. https://www.vha.ca/

Yellow Brick House

Continued Support for Survivors: Ensuring Housing Security

Personalized consultations, ensuring ongoing support during the housing transition process, and securing long-term housing for those affected by domestic violence.

https://www.yellowbrickhouse.org/

For a full list of projects funded by the Community Investment Fund, please visit: york.ca/communityinvestment