

City of Greater Sudbury Housing and Homelessness Plan

Community
Services Committee

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Context

- New provincial legislated requirement (Housing Services Act)
- Must address areas of provincial interest
- Must be consistent with the Ontario Housing Policy Statement

What is a Housing and Homelessness Plan?

Plan is a high level strategic document that:

- Treats housing and homelessness as a whole system
- Promotes a co-ordinated response to issues across the whole housing continuum from shelters to market housing
- Is based on local housing & homelessness data & consultation

What is a Housing and Homelessness Plan? (Cont'd.)

- Is linked to other municipal planning activities such as:
 - Land use planning and official plans
 - Human services planning
 - Economic development strategies
- Identifies emerging needs and proposes strategies
- Has a 10 year planning horizon, reviewed at least every 5 years

The plan is not:

- A subsidy allocation or an investment plan for particular Housing or Homelessness Programs
- Only about existing services
- Focused on specific program outcomes

CGS Housing and Homelessness Plan

Goal:

To ensure systems are in place along the full housing continuum which facilitate citizen access to affordable housing

Guiding Principle:

To continue to support community based delivery of housing and homelessness services

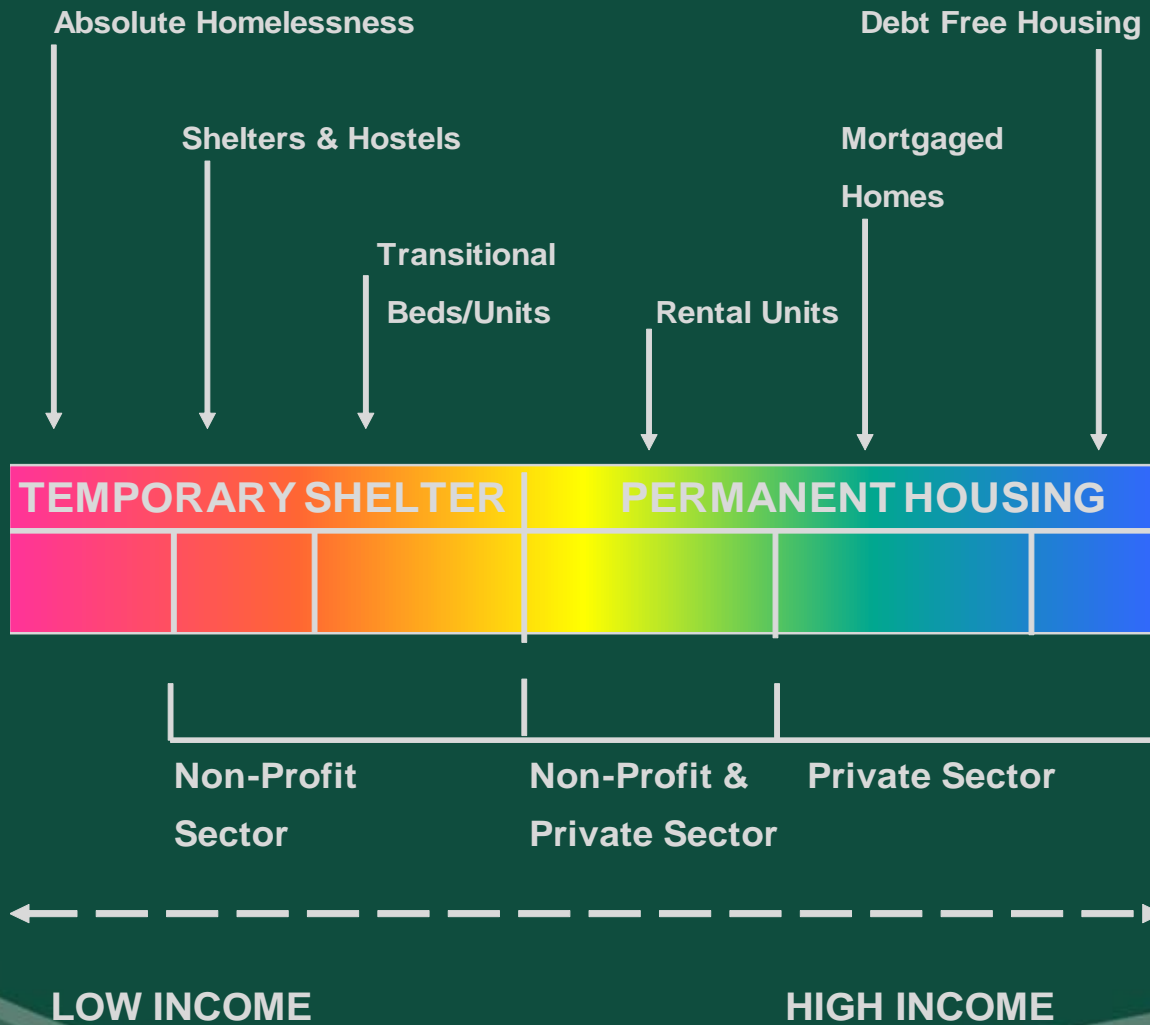
Local Plan Development Process

- Build on existing community gains and partnerships as CGS is ahead of many communities in this regard
- Joint Background Study
 - ✓ Housing Services
 - ✓ Social Services
 - ✓ Planning Services

Local Plan Development Process (Cont'd.)

- Review of local housing market, latest census data, growth projections and homelessness information
- Community consultations
 - ✓ Stakeholders
 - ✓ Clients
 - ✓ Public

The Housing Continuum



Examples of work already underway:

Absolute Homelessness

- ✓ Housing First Strategy
- ✓ Homelessness Prevention (CHPI)
- ✓ Homelessness Network System Integration

Emergency Shelters

- ✓ Salvation Army Men's Program
- ✓ Cedar Place Women And Families
- ✓ Foyer Notre Dame Youth Shelter

Examples of work already underway (Cont'd.):

Transitional Housing

- ✓ Development of 14 new beds
- ✓ Target youth, persons with mental health issues, persons with leaving addiction treatment programs

Examples of work already underway (Cont'd.):

Rental and Ownership Market

- ✓ Official Plan Policies & CGS Operational By-laws
- ✓ Regularly engage Development Community (DLAC)
- ✓ Building Controls
- ✓ Economic & Infrastructure Planning
- ✓ Property Tax Incentives

Examples of work already underway (Cont'd.)

Rental and Ownership Market (Cont'd.)

- ✓ Funding & administering a variety of housing programs
 - Social housing portfolio (over 4,500 units)
 - Local Housing Registry
 - Affordable Housing Programs
 - Supportive Housing
 - Affordable Home Repair Programs

Moving Forward

Six (6) Priority Areas:

- There is a need to improve the housing options across the housing continuum
- There is a need to improve housing access and affordability for low income individuals and families
- There is a need to strengthen approaches to preventing homelessness, increase the diversity of emergency shelters options and support individuals with multiple barriers in obtaining and maintaining housing

Moving Forward (Cont'd.)

Six (6) Priority Areas (Cont'd.) :

- There is a need for additional supportive services coupled with permanent housing options
- There is a need to improve co-ordination, collaboration and partnerships among a broad range of stakeholders to address local needs
- There is a need to monitor and report on progress towards meeting the community's housing and homelessness objectives and targets

Housing and Homelessness Plan Matrix

- Builds on current approaches and partnerships
- Highlights strategies to address the 6 priority areas
- Identifies objectives, actions, outcomes and measures of success for each priority area

Next Steps

- Plan approval by Council prior to January 1, 2014
- Forward to Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing for comment
- Implementation of strategies
- Plan review in 5 years
- Adjustments as required to reflect local circumstances

Questions?