



Region of Waterloo

Waterloo Region Housing

Revitalization Plan Update

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Housing Plans and Initiatives


Plan to End Chronic Homelessness

- Prevent experiences of homelessness wherever possible and ensure that when it does occur it is rare, brief, and non-recurrent

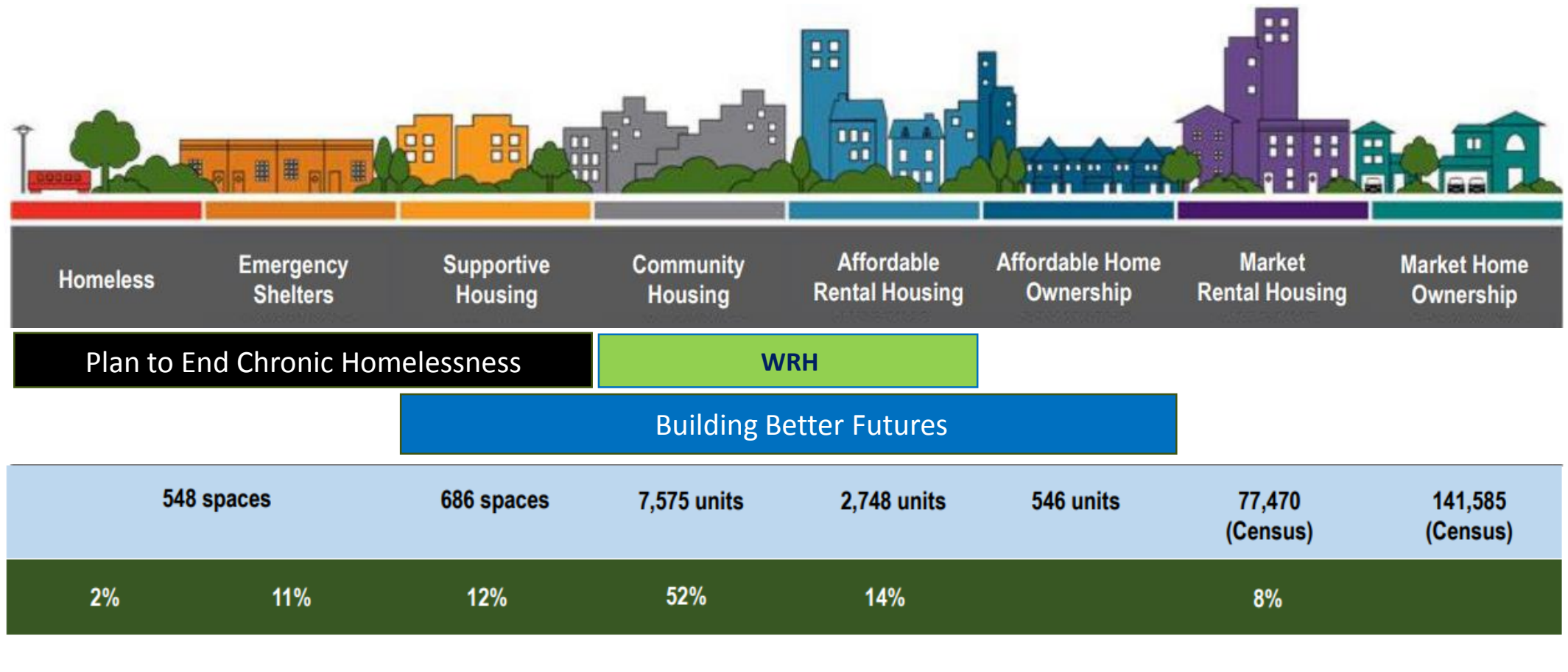
Building Better Futures

- Create 2,500 new affordable units in 5 years

Waterloo Region Housing Revitalization Plan

- Redevelop six WRH sites to create at least 600 net new units
 - Maintain and operate existing stock; explore divestment opportunities
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Housing Plans Support the Continuum



420 Kingscourt Drive, Waterloo

- In construction
- Estimated occupancy: 2025
- 73 units (all new new)
- Connected to existing WRH building



82 Wilson Avenue, Kitchener

- In construction
- Estimated occupancy: 2025
- 48 units (32 net new)
- For older adults
- 6-storey apartment



589 Langs Drive, Cambridge

- In construction
- Estimated occupancy: 2027
- 136 units (98 net new)
- "L" shaped 7-storey apartment



15-105 Mooregate Crescent, Kitchener

- In design
- Expected occupancy: 2029
- 378 units (323 net new)
- 9-storey and 8-storey apartments



440 - 470 Shelley Drive, Kitchener

- In design
- Estimated occupancy: 2029
- 192 units (122 net new)
- Mix of apartment and townhouse-style
- Tenant Liaison Committee and Youth Committee are engaged through the design stage

Tenant Relocation

- Relocation Information meetings set up with all tenants
- Tenants are given relocation options
- Tenants receive supports throughout the entire process
- Tenants are guaranteed a unit in the new building if they choose to move back
- Relocation survey once the move is complete to improve the process next time

Tenant Engagement

- Has evolved from project to project
- Tenant Liaison Committee (TLC) of 8 resident volunteers
- Dedicated youth engagement
- What do you like/not like about the:
 - Neighbourhood
 - Outdoor space
 - Indoor spaces
 - Your home interior

Potential Opportunities

Courtland Avenue

A portion of land is not needed for the redevelopment of Shelley Drive

- Sell the land and use proceeds to finance other WRH redevelopments
- Sell or lease the land through a Request for Proposal (RFP) process for affordable housing
- Retain ownership of the land and further develop the site for new additional WRH units

140 Weber Street

Sixth WRH redevelopment site approved under Revitalization Plan

- Mass rehousing supportive housing tenants
 - Reduce projected capital costs and/or create additional net new affordable units through partnered redevelopment
 - Sell or lease the land through affordable housing RFP process
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