



Housing Needs Report & Housing Policy

The Province recently introduced new legislation requiring OCPs to account for forecasted growth over 20 years, instead of five (5) years, and that municipal Housing Needs Reports be updated using a standard methodology. Municipalities are mandated to prepare Housing Needs Reports under the *Local Government Act*.

2021 Housing Needs Report

Our Housing Needs Report was last updated in 2021. Here is a snapshot of our community's housing needs:

- 5,000+ additional rental units
- 72 emergency shelter spaces
- 131 short-term supportive housing spaces
- 300 long-term supportive housing units for seniors
- 160 long-term supportive housing units for others
- 2,500+ affordable housing units for households earning less than \$29,000 per year
- 2,700+ affordable housing units for households earning less than \$65,000 per year

We Heard You Say

- Housing is a priority for the OCP Review.
- Affordability is an important community value.
- PG needs more affordable housing, accessible housing and rental housing.
- You want to see a mix of housing types and tenures across the city, so you have more choice.
- The OCP Review presents an opportunity to reduce urban sprawl and increase density.

Proposed Policy Direction

- A comprehensive review of all housing policies will be undertaken given the new provincial legislation is now in effect.
- New housing policies will be drafted to implement Small-Scale Multi-Unit (SSMUH) housing as mandated by the Province.
- Additional policy direction will be provided to support age friendly and accessible housing, affordable housing and purpose-built rental housing.

Level of Support for Proposed Policy Direction: (place a sticky dot in one box below)

Strongly Support	Support	Neutral	Oppose	Strongly Oppose