

Housing and Homelessness

Level of Government	Immediate Actions	Medium Term Actions	Long Term Actions
<p>Federal Government Advocacy</p>	<p>207 new shovel-ready and urgently needed affordable housing units (\$54 M) (GOC 2024 Budget Submission)</p> <p>Scale up the Reaching Home program with <i>immediate</i> additional resources to support encampment residents (GOC 2024 Budget Submission)</p> <p>Immediately develop a comprehensive integrated release plan before discharging people from correctional facilities. (Letter to Minister Lametti July 13, 2023)</p> <p>Immediately review or alter any existing RCMP practice that would discharge someone from a Federal correctional facility into homelessness (Letter to Minister Mendicino June 10, 2022)</p>	<p>1,200 shovel ready Indigenous-led housing units (GOC 2024 Budget Submission)</p> <p>Continue the Rapid Housing Initiative on a consistent, annual basis. (GOC 2024 Budget Submission)</p> <p>Accelerate the implementation of the Urban, Rural and Northern Indigenous Housing Strategy. (Letter from Prairie Mayors to Prime Minister Trudeau July 18, 2023)</p> <p>Ensure that Edmonton receives its fair share of federal affordable housing program funding. (Letter from Minister Nixon, Mayor Sohi and Mayor Gondek to Minister Fraser July 23, 2023)</p> <p>We desperately need your help to fund long term solutions. We need to double the number of additional housing units that are required to meet the need. We have estimated a total project cost of \$150 million to build 410 additional units over the next 12-18 months. As a result, we are looking for a significantly higher amount of federal government funding support than the \$12.5 million</p>	<p>Support City of Edmonton meeting it's Affordable housing needs through increased capital, operating grants and rent subsidies to an order of magnitude that meets the long term targets of (Updated Affordable Housing Strategy):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● 1,400 - 1,700 units offering permanent supportive housing. ● 3,800 units of Social Housing (Rent-geared to Income) ● 30,200 units of non-market Affordable Housing including both shallow and deep subsidy housing. ● 5,700 units of Near Market Affordable Housing (80-90% of market rent) <p>Ensure that the Municipal Entity responsible for systems coordination (Homeward Trust) is funded adequately to end homelessness in Edmonton.</p> <p>Decentralize large congregate</p>

		<p>allocated to us through this third round of RHI, assuming federal funds would leverage some degree of matching funds from the municipal and provincial governments. (Letter to Ministers Hussen and LeBlanc December 19 2022)</p>	<p>shelters in favor of smaller distributed sites with more diverse operators.</p> <p>All data systems in the houseless serving system are aligned and integrated in preventing and responding the affordable housing and houselessness needs. (Updated Affordable Housing Strategy)</p>
<p>Provincial Government Advocacy</p>	<p>Support the continuation of Edmonton's Overdose Response and Prevention Teams ((\$2 M (ongoing operating)) (GOA 2024 Budget Submission))</p> <p>Provide Hygiene Hubs (including washrooms, laundry, showers and attendants) (\$1.06 M per year for 1 Hub) (GOA 2024 Budget Submission)</p> <p>Extend and expand access to Day Shelter and Warming Spaces on an ongoing basis (Letter to Minister Nixon, March 16, 2024)</p> <p>Fund additional Indigenous-led Shelter or Emergency and Transitional Housing (\$19.4 M) (Letter to Minister Nixon, March 16, 2024, Updated Encampment Response, October 30, 2023)</p>	<p>550 units offering permanent supportive housing for vulnerable populations (\$50M Capital and \$24M operating) (GOA 2024 Budget Submission)</p> <p>500 pre- and post- recovery spaces (bridge housing) (GOA 2024 Budget Submission)</p> <p>Support the site preparation for 12 shovel-ready surplus school sites to support Affordable Housing (\$16 M) (GOA 2024 Budget Submission)</p> <p>Renewal of the existing Affordable Housing assets in Edmonton, including the City of Edmonton's own inventory (GOA 2024 Budget Submission)</p> <p>Provide transitional Housing for women experiencing domestic violence and people/families experiencing domestic</p>	<p>Improved Fiscal Framework for Municipalities to provide the flexibility to the changing role of modern municipalities, including housing and houselessness emergency (Federal Canadian Municipalities)</p>

	<p>Encourage and support all Shelter Providers to adopt the City of Edmonton's Emergency Shelter Standards. (Downtown Core and Transit Safety Plan June 2022)</p> <p>Expedite the development of the new recovery community in the City of Edmonton promised in October 2022, and expedite the opening of the recovery community on Enoch Cree Nation (Letter to Minister Williams, August 8, 2023)</p> <p>Immediately Provide a Property Tax Exemption to Affordable Housing Providers (Advocacy Leave Behind, Premier Smith, Updated Affordable Housing Strategy)</p> <p>Fund shelter spaces dedicated to LGBTQ2S+ people, youth and families (Updated Affordable Housing Strategy)</p> <p>Immediately develop a comprehensive integrated release plan before discharging patients from correctional facilities, hospitals and persons in care. (Letter to Minister Lametti July 13, 2023, copied to Minister Ellis; Meeting with Minister Ellis July 14, 2023)</p>	<p>violence (Updated Affordable Housing Strategy)</p> <p>Create a single portal for all affordable housing units (Updated Affordable Housing Strategy)</p> <p>Expansion of transitional spaces for people exiting institutional settings, such as the Bridge Healing Program. (Letter to Minister Ellis and Minister Milliken, February 21, 2023)</p> <p>Increased ongoing financial resources to support shelters in meeting the needs of women and their children, and other persons fleeing domestic violence in Edmonton. (Letter to Minister Luan May 9, 2022)</p>	
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	<p>A comprehensive review of all elements of the tragic murder of two men in Chinatown, including operational practices, transfer procedures, discharge procedures, and coordination with supporting social and health agencies. And instruction to all enforcement agencies to stop transporting and abandoning at-risk-individuals in Edmonton and releasing offenders from provincial correctional facilities into houselessness. (Letter to Minister Shandro June 10, 2022)</p> <p>Increased and ongoing operating funding to Edmonton's shelter operators (to) support their interest in implementing the City's Minimum Emergency Shelter Standards. (Letter to Minister Luan September 7, 2022)</p> <p>Call to work together to address the serious problems facing our community including addressing the interconnected challenges of houselessness, mental health, and addictions. (Letter to Ministers Shandro, Luan, Pon, Copping July 5, 2022)</p>		
<p>Municipal Government</p>	<p>Approve the Updated Affordable Housing Strategy.</p> <p>City of Edmonton - Corporate</p>	<p>Implement the Updated Affordable Housing Strategy Including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2,700 units of affordable housing in Edmonton by 2026. 	

	<p>Homelessness Plan (April 8, 2024)</p> <p>Support Homeward Trust on their Updated Community Plan to End Homelessness (June 17, 2024)</p> <p>Implement Zoning Bylaw Renewal (January 2024)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Create a 10-Year Acquisition Framework to increase Affordable Housing Supply ● Accelerate the development of designated surplus school sites for affordable housing. ● Establish standards to prioritize and expedited funding and land disposition for affordable housing projects for priority population groups. ● Create Educational resources to promote understanding of system navigation and tenants rights. ● Collaborate and partner with other orders of government to improve alignment and integration of data and resources. <p>Implement the Corporate Homelessness Plan and identify any necessary structural and resource allocations needed to fulfill the City's roles. (Updated Affordable Housing Strategy)</p> <p>Review and lessons learned from Edmonton's Emergency Shelter Standards</p> <p>Increase regional integration and participation in addressing the housing and houselessness crisis.</p>	
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