

# Peel Housing and Homelessness Plan Annual Update

**Strategic Housing and Homelessness Committee October 15th, 2020** 

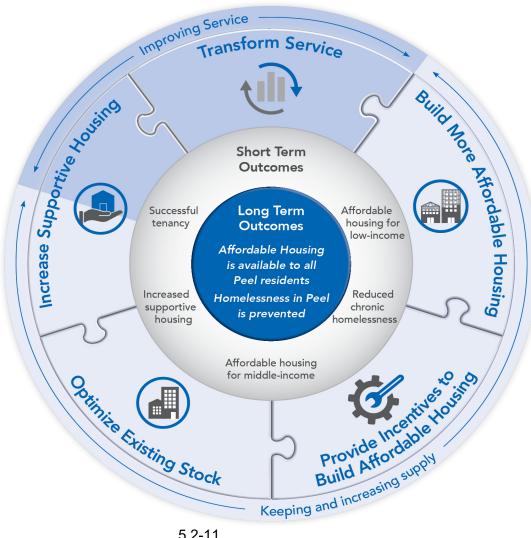
# **Purpose of Presentation**



- 1. Discuss key accomplishments
- Present priorities for implementation in 2021-2022

# **How We Are Addressing These Pressures**





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# **Key Accomplishments**

#### **Transform Service Accomplishments:**

- Launched encampment housing pilot
- Enhanced service levels for street outreach
- Opened 8 new shelter beds for single women in Brampton
- Updated shelter standards and issued a Request for Proposal (RFP) for a new shelter operator contract
- Introduced needs-based approach to some subsidy administration
- Started coordinated access system development
- Started to implement new processes and technology

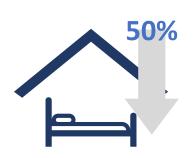
#### Transform Service **Increase Supportive Housing Build More Affordable Housing Accomplishments: Accomplishments:** • Opened safe house for survivors of human Council endorsed Housing Master Plan (HMP) trafficking Council endorsed \$1 billion plan to build **Short Term** 2,240 units and shelter beds by 2028 Outcomes • Received \$276M federal investment, closely matching Council's 335M Successful Long Term nousing for • Opened Mayfield Seniors building – 60 tenancy Outcomes Affordable Housing is available to all • Launched My Home Second Unit Renovation Program Reduced Homelessness in Peel is prevented Affordable housing Obrimie Existing Stock **Optimize Existing Stock Provide Incentives to Build Affordable Accomplishments: Housing Accomplishments:** • Completed Private Stock Strategy • Completed Incentives Pilot program

Communicate, Collaborate, Advocate, Measure



## **Prevented Outbreak Amongst the Homeless**

## **COVID-19 Response**



reduced shelter capacity by 50%



enhanced cleaning & safety measures



additional drop-in centres and supports for street homeless



COVID-19 Isolation Program



COVID-19 Recovery Program

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## **2021-2022 Priorities**

## **Continue with Work Already Underway**

- Open 360 City Centre Drive, Mississauga (174 units);
- ✓ Relocate the Peel Family Shelter to the new site;
- Open the transitional house for survivors of human trafficking;
- ✓ Continue to implement projects within the Housing Master Plan:
- ✓ Launch the Incentives Pilot Program;
- Complete the Solutions Lab project to identify new affordable housing options for seniors;
- Continue to work with community partners to improve and coordinate how housing subsidies and supports are accessed and delivered to clients;
- ✓ Automate key service delivery and management processes; and,
- ✓ Continue to advocate to the federal and provincial governments
- ✓ Improve public education and outreach.

#### **New Work**

- ✓ Launch new Private Landlord Engagement Program
- ✓ Create Supportive Housing Strategy for Peel;
- Partner with health services to create a proposal and secure funding for improved crisis and longer-term mental health and addictions supports for the homeless and the precariously housed;
- ✓ Work with province and community housing providers to retain units in the system at end of mortgage;
- Formalize policy and procedures and initiate other options regarding homeless encampments, and;
- Explore the need for 'wet' shelters, safe injection sites, improved harm reduction options for the homeless.

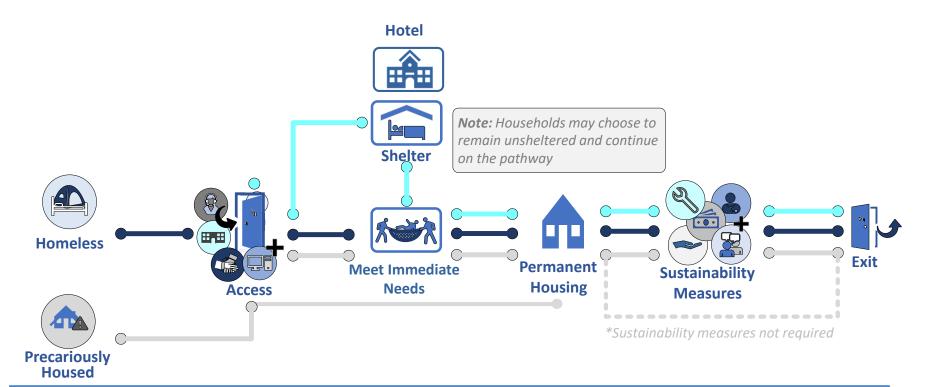


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# **Housing Services**



### **TOP ISSUES/RISKS IN CURRENT STATE**

- Clients have increasingly complex social and health needs and face a gap in the supports available to address those needs (mental health counselling, addictions supports
- Outreach service levels insufficient

- Multiple access points
- Multiple intake processes, forms
- Increased length of stay at most shelters
- Lack of crisis supports including mental health supports
- No low barrier options
- Lack of affordable and supportive housing options Discrimination
- against clients

  Lack of subsidy
- Lack of ongoing supports, including physical and mental health and addictions supports, long wait lists etc.