



PRINCE EDWARD COUNTY AFFORDABLE HOUSING CORPORATION

Why was the Corporation formed?

The Corporation was created in 2018 as part of the County Council's strategic plan goal to support livable communities with affordable housing. It Council created a non-profit Corporation to find ways to create affordable housing from surplus County lands.

Is the Corporation independent?

As of April 2022, The Corporation operates with a hybrid model through a Service Level Agreement, has an internally appointed Board plus two appointed County Councillors.

As of April 2023, the Corporation is a Municipal Services Corporation, with The County as its only shareholder.

Current Board members include County residents who are business owners, and people with experience in provincial and municipal government.

How does the Corporation decide its work?

The Corporation's Business Plan (2020-2022) identified the housing issues in The County and the actions that need to be taken to address the shortage of affordable housing. We work with County staff, PELASS and The County Foundation to help inform our work.

How can I find out more about the Housing Corporation?

Anyone who has questions is more than welcome to contact Elis Ziegler at The Corporation at 613.922.3785 or by email at info@pecahc.ca. We are also happy to speak to groups of people.

See over for some more answers to commonly asked questions!

FAQS

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What are your housing developments?

As of February 2023, there are two: the Wellington Duke Dome property on Niles Street in Wellington, and land at the north end of Disraeli Street in Picton. In addition, the Housing Corporation is in the process of negotiating a public-private partnership for the development of 300 affordable units.

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How much housing will be?

By the end of 2024, there will be 40 new units of affordable housing built in Wellington and 12 new units built in Picton for people who are single, seniors, people with disabilities, and families.

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What kind of housing is this?

We are only building affordable rental housing. That means the rents charged are at least 20% of the CMHC median market rent for the County and total occupancy cost does not exceed 30% of gross household income. This is not 'social' or 'subsidized' housing.

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Who do you partner with?

We are partnering with community agencies, municipal, provincial and federal governments in addition to private sector developers.

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What are the rents going to be like?

Monthly rents will range from \$740 for a one bedroom up to \$1200 for a three bedroom. These amounts are based on data provided by CMHC.

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How do people apply for housing?

An on-line and print application form will be available starting in April 2023. County residents and residents forced to move away due to lack of housing will be the priority applicants.

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What else does The Corporation do?

The Corporation will be administering a pilot program called the Secondary Suite Project. This program provides small landlords and homeowners with up to \$25,000 in grant funding to modify an existing space for a self-contained affordable housing unit.

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What about Tiny homes?

The Corporation is considering all types of affordable units to increase supply including the development of a tiny home community.

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