



RENFREW COUNTY HOUSING CORPORATION

CANADA-ONTARIO AFFORDABLE HOUSING PROGRAM – HOUSING ALLOWANCE / RENT SUPPLEMENT COMPONENT

Purpose

The Housing Allowance/Rent Supplement component of the Canada-Ontario Affordable Program is a supplement paid to the landlord on behalf of a household in need of rental assistance. It is meant to help bridge the difference between the affordable rent and the actual market rent charged by the landlord. The County of Renfrew is committed to ensuring that the residences of Renfrew County have access to safe and affordable housing. The County of Renfrew's objective is to assist households in need to access affordable housing and reduce social housing waiting lists in the county.

Eligibility

- Housing Allowances are available for households that are currently eligible to be on the centralized waiting list for rent-geared-to-income assistance with incomes under the household income limits established by Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation (CMHC) for the service area of Renfrew County.

Program Rules

- The County of Renfrew has been allocated 30 units under Housing Allowance/Rent Supplement component for a total of \$262,000 over a five-year period. Of the 30 units, three are to be dedicated to victims of domestic violence.
- All monies received through the Housing Allowance/Rent Supplement component are not considered income for anyone who is receiving Ontario Works or Ontario Disability Support Program.

Application Process

Interested parties should contact their local housing office for an application indicating their specific interest in this program.

This component of the Canada-Ontario Affordable Housing Program is an exceptional, interim measure to provide affordable housing to households with lower incomes by supplementing rents of existing vacant rental housing stock in markets with high vacancy rates. This component can support households for up to five years. Housing Allowances/rent supplements increase the affordability of units by decreasing the portion of income households must pay for shelter.

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