



Overview of Housing Initiatives & Housing Supports

- The Provision and administration of subsidized housing and support programs are provided through the organization to help low-income individuals and families who are in need of affordable housing in our community
- Rents charged are based on 30% of tenants income providing a relatively deep subsidy for approved recipients
- Medicine Hat Community Housing Society (MHCHS) manages a total of 568 units, where 451 fall under the Social Housing program and the remaining 117 units under the Affordable Housing Program
- 18 of the social housing units and 32 of the affordable housing units are owned by the City of Medicine Hat and operated by the MHCHS
- MHCHS administers 445 rental supplements in Medicine Hat and Redcliff
- Implemented the first Housing Stability program in the province in 2001, focusing on increasing housing stability for social housing tenants, ultimately preventing or reducing the risk of homelessness
- \$2.7m annual operating budget (Provincial - Municipal affairs)
- \$1.4m 2015/2016 capital budget (Provincial - Municipal Affairs)
- \$159m annual operating budget (City of Medicine Hat owned social housing properties)
- City of Medicine Hat contributes \$470k to the annual operating budget to offset costs for social housing properties
- Delivery of Housing, Housing Assessment & triage, and Rapid Re-Housing programs under the Plan to End homelessness
- Availability does not equate to affordability or appropriateness of the units
- There are 377 households on the waitlist for housing assistance through the management body, with an average wait time of 214 days

Family and Special Needs Units

City of Medicine Hat Owned

18

Province of Alberta Owned

205

Seniors Self-Contained Units

228

Private Landlord Rent Supplements

445



Social Housing Programs

Affordable Housing Units – MHCHS

85

Affordable Housing Units – City of Medicine Hat

32

Transitional Housing Units – MHCHS

14



Affordable Housing Programs

Total Housing Portfolio

1027