

## TAEH Forum Notes, 8 February 2023

### 1. SSHA Update: Shelter Flow and Housing Outcome Data – Trish Lenz, SSHA.

- City SMIS data tracked ~13,000 housing outcomes between 2020-2022. Two streams: housing outcomes via city mechanisms (PATHS, CWL), housing via other pathways (market rental). Majority of people discharged between 2020 and 2022 into market rental housing (9031 of 13,000).
- Question from Luke Smith-Adams: Possible to track recidivism rates—those who leave shelters and return? Trish to follow up at next forum.
- Question from Michael Creek: Gender/Race analysis of flow data? Trish to take request back to the SSHA's Business Intelligence (BI) team.
- Question from Robin Griller: Does this data capture movement from shelter to treatment program to housing? Trish to check with BI team.
- Frances McNeil: Any other groupings/demographics standing out in movements to permanent housing (aside from refugees)? Number of refugees arriving was large and discharge was rapid—city has a better understanding of the flow of refugees through this system. Trish to check if it's possible to look at disability in those discharged.

### 2. Housing Secretariat Updates: RHI Investment Plan - Matt Hilder, Housing Secretariat.

- Housing Secretariat developing process to better involve TAEH forum members in development of RHI phase 3 investment plan.
- Housing Secretariat to develop and circulate a survey to get insight from forum members on priority populations for RHI 3 plan.
- Results of survey to be presented at March 8 forum and discussion of results/gathering more feedback.
- Question from Debbie Schatia: How will survey factor in responses from different priority sectors (youth/adult/seniors)? Matt emphasized meeting both existing CMHC criteria and need to strike a balance in survey respondents.

### 3. TAEH Updates: Budget Submissions 2023 - Savannah Wilson, TAEH

- Deadline for ON Provincial budget submissions: Friday, Feb 10<sup>th</sup>. Link in slides.
- Link to federal budget pre-consultation submissions in slides.
- Question from Robin Griller: Pay equity with who—problem of comparisons between community sector, municipality and provincially funded hospital employees? Each level of government needs to ensure wage parity for distinct levels of government. Robin encourages participants to complete AMHO survey on wages or to contact them in order to complete survey.

- Additional questions/comments on budget submissions can be sent to Savhanna: savhanna@taeh.ca

#### 4. Community/Sector Update: Best Practices in Shelter Services for 2SLGBTQIA+ Community – Alban Joxhe, Friends of Ruby

- Presentation highlighted innovative care model developed by FoR, which focuses on care, counselling, transitional housing, and youth mentorship/leadership.
- Housing First model doesn't always work for FoR residents, emphasized 'Housing When Ready' model where counseling, transitional housing, and services prepare youth to move into housing options.
- Question from Savhanna: Opportunities for working with youth from Friends of Ruby on housing advocacy? Alban and Stef Figueiredo encouraged forum members to connect with FoR around advocacy opportunities (ajoxhe@friendsofruby.ca)
- Question from Colleen Lamond: How can the sector overall better support youth? Support a no discharge policy, create more spaces in respite sites, support for a range of affordable housing options.
- Question from Frances MacNeil: How long does it take to get these youth ready to transition into housing? Importance of shifting from 'housing first' to 'housing when ready' model for 2SLGBTQ+ youth. For some youth this may be a year, for others with mental health challenges, this can take longer.

#### 5. Black History Month:

- Events and resources being hosted by TPL for Black History Month: <https://www.torontopubliclibrary.ca/programs-and-classes/featured/black-history-month.jsp>

#### 6. Next TAEH Forum

- Wednesday, March 8, 10-12.