



October 7, 2022

Professor Brian Doucet  
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**Re: Homelessness Initiative Project**

On March 24, 2022, a call for proposals was issued by the University of Waterloo and the Region of Waterloo for community-based research to tackle homelessness and lack of housing affordability in the Region of Waterloo. Responses to the call for proposals were evaluated against the adjudication criteria by an adjudication committee with representatives from the University of Waterloo and the Region of Waterloo, who determined the proposals to be funded.

We are pleased to inform you that your project titled, “Centring lived experiences in solutions to the homeless crisis: a participatory action partnership”, has been awarded \$24,860 for the period of November 1, 2022 to November 30, 2023. The University of Waterloo and the Region of Waterloo are co-funding this award, with each contributing \$12,430. The project end date may be extended up to one year if required, with prior written approval. Contact Christina Kroeker, Senior Manager, Funding Agencies & Non-profit Sponsors, Office of Research ([ckroeker@uwaterloo.ca](mailto:ckroeker@uwaterloo.ca)) should you require an extension.

The review committee members enthusiastically support this research but offer the following advice to best position the research outcomes to be most impactful. Please ensure that you connect with the Region of Waterloo personnel involved in the Homelessness Master Plan (namely, Chris McEvoy at [CMcEvoy@regionofwaterloo.ca](mailto:CMcEvoy@regionofwaterloo.ca)) from the start and continuing throughout the research project. This engagement will ensure the researchers are aware of the Region’s timeline as well as the stakeholders with whom the Region is conferring. The Region emphasizes there is no intention to insert themselves into the research plan, only to stay in touch throughout the project to maximize the feasibility of implementing the final recommendations from the research.

The research shall be conducted as outlined in the proposal in accordance with the University policies governing research. The project shall culminate in a report, including policy recommendations for the Region of Waterloo, as well as a 2024 Knowledge Mobilization event with stakeholders.

University of Waterloo shall send an invoice to the Region of Waterloo, valued at \$12,430 to the attention of Karen Christie ([kchristie@regionofwaterloo.ca](mailto:kchristie@regionofwaterloo.ca)), before November 1, 2022.



The Region of Waterloo shall pay University of Waterloo's invoice electronically or by cheque, made payable to "University of Waterloo" (Attn: Finance, 200 University Avenue West, EC5, Waterloo, Ontario N2L 3G1 or uwbanking@uwaterloo.ca), within 30 days of receipt.

Sincerely,

**Christina**  
**Kroeker**

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Chris McEvoy  
Manager  
Housing Policy & Homelessness Prevention  
Region of Waterloo

## ACCEPTANCE OF TERMS AND CONDITIONS

On behalf of **University of Waterloo**, the undersigned agrees with the terms and condition set out in this letter.

**Christina  
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Christina Kroeker  
Senior Manager  
Funding Agencies & Non-profit Sponsors  
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Date

On behalf of **Region of Waterloo**, the undersigned agrees with the terms and condition set out in this letter.

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Kelly-Anne Salerno  
Assistant Director, Housing Operations and Administration  
Region of Waterloo, Community Services Department

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Date

### Researcher Acknowledgement:

I acknowledge that I have read, understand and agree to the terms and conditions guiding the receipt of the funding set out in this letter.

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Professor Brian Doucet  
School of Planning

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