

Affordable Housing

To be considered affordable, a household should spend no more than 30 per cent of its gross income on housing costs.

Questions You May Be Asked

To qualify for Community Housing (subsidized housing), you will need to have the following information available and feel comfortable discussing it:

- Your household's total gross monthly income
- How many people live in your household
- The building selections you make on the application
- Your age
- Support services needed, if any

Contacts for Affordable Housing in Waterloo Region

Habitat for Humanity Waterloo Region

Phone: 519-747-0664

Builds homes that are sold to selected families with long term, interest free mortgages

Housing Cambridge

Phone: 519-650-5599

Affordable rental housing for low and moderate-income households

Kitchener Housing

Phone: 519-744-6655

Housing for low and moderate-income families and individuals

K-W Urban Native Wigwam Project

Phone: 519-743-5868

Affordable rent geared-to-income housing for families of aboriginal origin

MennoHomes, Kitchener

Phone: 226-476-2535

Provides affordable rental housing to individuals and families with low income

Region of Waterloo, Housing Services

Waterloo Region Housing

Phone: 519-575-4800

Provides subsidized housing units based on chronological waiting list; rent geared to income

Waterloo Regional Homes for Mental Health Inc.

Phone: 519-742-3191

Provides subsidized accommodations for individuals 16+ with mental health concerns

New Canadian Resources

These organizations will assist newcomers in finding housing in Waterloo Region.

Kitchener-Waterloo Multicultural Centre

Phone: 519-745-2531 (admin); 519-745-2593 (interpreters)

Reception House Waterloo Region

Phone: 519-743-2113

Supportive Housing

House of Friendship of Kitchener, Residential Services

Eby Village; Phone: 519-570-2400

Charles Village; Phone: 519-742-8327

Single adults with no dependents who are able to live independently; rent geared to income. To apply, contact Community Housing Access Centre at 519-575-4833

Kaljas Homes, Kitchener

Phone: 519- 743-2234

3 boarding housing for individuals with mental health concerns

Supportive Housing of Waterloo

Phone: 519-886-8200

Adults 25 years and older who have been homeless for at least one year

Underhill Residential Home, Waterloo

Phone: 519- 884-7160

Individuals requiring supportive housing due to age, physical or mental health disabilities

YWCA K-W, Supportive Housing

Lincoln Road; Phone: 519-747-2200

Supportive housing for women and families

Next Door; Phone: 519-744-7728

Housing and transitional supports for women fleeing domestic violence

Seniors' Community Housing (subsidized by the Region of Waterloo)

Housing Cambridge

Phone: 519-650-5599

Kitchener Housing

Phone: 519-744-6655

Millwood Manor, Kitchener

Phone: 519-745-9901

Trinity Village Studios, Kitchener

Phone: 519-896-3112 ext. 300

Independent Affordable Rental Housing for Seniors

Several Community Housing providers have units specifically for older adults that are not included on the Region's centralized waiting list. For more information, phone the Social Development Centre Waterloo Region at 519-579-3800. Ask for the *Housing for Seniors* list.

Affordable Housing Registries

The following locations maintain a list of local affordable housing resources:

Lutherwood Housing Services

Phone: 519-749-2450 (Kitchener); 519-623-9383

(Cambridge)

Ontario Non-Profit Housing Association

Toll-free phone: 1-800-297-6660

The Central Ontario Co-operative Housing Federation

Phone: 519- 579-2424

Please note: tenants become members of the co-op community and are obligated to participate in maintaining the community

The Working Centre, Housing Desk

Phone: 519-743-1151 ext. 117

University of Waterloo, Housing Administration

Student Life Centre

Phone: 519-888-4567 ext. 32679 (housing admin); ext. 35725 (off-campus housing)

Waterloo Region Housing, Community Housing Access Centre

Phone: 519-575-4833

Community Housing Access Sites

At an Access Site, applicants can pick up a Community Housing (subsidized housing) application form, other housing forms or get help to fill out the forms.

Waterloo Region Housing, Community Housing Access Centre, Kitchener (Main Office)

Phone: 519-575-4833

Waterloo Region Housing, Community Housing Access Centre, Cambridge

Phone: 519-575-4833

Waterloo Region Housing Access Site, Eby Village Non-Profit Housing, Kitchener
Phone: 519-578-5203

Waterloo Region Housing Access Site, Waterloo Regional Homes for Mental Health Inc., Kitchener
Phone: 519-742-3191

Waterloo Region Housing Access Site, Lincoln Road, Waterloo
Phone: 519-747-2200

Housing Information and Assistance

Landlord and Tenant Board

Phone: 1-888-332-3234

Provides information about Residential Tenancies Act (RTA); resolves disputes between most residential landlords and tenants

Langs Resource Centre

Phone: 519-653-1470

Housing information and support

Lutherwood Housing Services

Phone: 519-623-9383

Housing search education and assistance; advocacy with landlords; information on eviction process and interest free grants or loans for arrears and last month's rent

Ontario Renovates Program (Homeowners Repair Program)

Phone: 519-575-4047

Financial assistance with home repairs and adaptations; forgivable loan to maximum of \$25,000

Region of Waterloo, Housing Services

Affordable Home Ownership Program

Phone: 519-575-4757 ext. 3657

Provides 5% forgivable loan toward purchase of home; maximum \$12,165

Below Average Market Rent Program

Phone: 519-575-4833

Below average market rent units for those wait-listed for community housing (conditions apply); applications available at Community Housing Access Sites

RENT- Renters Educating & Networking Together

Contact Social Development Centre Waterloo Region at 519-579-1096

Support to tenant association; public education on rental housing issues; advocacy on tenant issues

Waterloo Region Community Legal Services

Phone: 519-743-0254

Offers assistance, advice, negotiation, and representation for landlord and tenant legal problems



Tip: The Region of Waterloo maintains an online community (subsidized) housing directory at:
<http://regweb.region.waterloo.on.ca/chcatalogue/servlet/navigate>

Market Rate Housing

Housing for those households who are able to pay the full market price to buy or rent their home. There are many sources of information for market rate housing. Below are a few examples to get you started:

Cambridge Association of REALTORS® Inc.

2040 Eagle Street North

Phone: 519- 650-4996

Website: <http://cambridgeassociationofrealtors.com/>

Kitchener – Waterloo Association of REALTORS®

540 Riverbend Dr.

Phone: 519-576-1400

Website: <http://www.kwar.ca/>

Local newspapers and websites that provide listings for rental housing:

- GSC Rentals
- Places4Rent
- RentSeeker
- Cambridge Times
- New Hamburg Independent
- The Record
- Waterloo Chronicle
- Woolwich Observer

Link to:



Community Services



Settlement Services

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For more information, call, visit, or email:

Phone/TTY: 519-579-3800

From outside Waterloo Region: 1-877-579-3859
74 Frederick St Kitchener, N2H 2L7

Email: info@waterlooregion.org

Website: www.waterlooregion.org



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