

County of Renfrew Affordable Housing Summit Report

May 2024



Affordable Housing Summit

Background:

During the March meetings of Committees and County Council, Council members were introduced to an exciting plan; hosting the inaugural Renfrew County Housing Summit. Scheduled for April 4th at the myFM Centre in Renfrew, the summit aimed to serve as a crucial platform for addressing the County's Strategic Plan Objective of Attainable Housing and Infrastructure (Goal #5).

The Housing Summit was strategically planned in recognition of several ongoing initiatives aimed at achieving the County of Renfrew's strategic goals. Its broader aim was to supplement and enrich the existing efforts by providing additional insights and fostering collaboration among stakeholders.

Various initiatives are currently in progress to achieve the County's goal of Attainable Housing and Infrastructure, and to contribute to the housing continuum, including:

- The construction of eight affordable housing units and the redevelopment of one rent-geared-to-income unit within the City of Pembroke. Expected to be ready for occupancy by spring 2024, these developments will provide homes for ten households from the Renfrew County Housing Corporation's centralized waitlist.
- Approval from the Renfrew County Housing Corporation (RCHC) Board for the initiation of a 10-year strategic Housing and Homelessness Plan. This plan emphasizes key areas such as maintaining and revitalizing RCHC stock, supporting non-profit housing viability, and engaging community partners for effective homelessness prevention programs.
- Collaboration between the County of Renfrew and the Town of Deep River on a Memorandum of Understanding regarding the purchase of the former Keys Public School, aimed at addressing housing needs.
- Exploration of vacant properties and potential partnerships with housing providers for the creation of affordable housing on County of Renfrew, Renfrew County Housing Corporation owned lands and lands surplus to local municipalities.
- Implementation of the Mesa Initiative; a collaborative effort between internal service providers and partner organizations aimed at addressing homelessness, substance abuse, addictions, and mental health issues in the community.
- Launching the Housing First Program, an interdisciplinary collaborative effort to establish supportive transitional housing for individuals enduring chronic homelessness.
- Warming Centre

The development of the Housing Summit was seen as a crucial step in advancing these initiatives. By engaging local builders and developers, the Summit aimed to gather valuable insights and expertise to shape discussions and identify actionable strategies for promoting new home construction in Renfrew County. The premise underlying the Housing Summit was that insights from developers and builders would inform all levels of government on how to allocate resources effectively to incentivize housing development and address the housing affordability crisis.

Objective of the Day:

The objective of the Summit was to gather insights and ideas from attendees on enhancing the housing stock within Renfrew County. All perspectives were welcomed, fostering an environment conducive to open dialogue and innovative thinking. Throughout the day, frank conversations ensued after each presentation.

Additionally, the County sought to provide attendees with a summary of current and future government initiatives aimed at improving housing accessibility. A summary of these initiatives can be found in Appendix 1 – Environmental Scan.

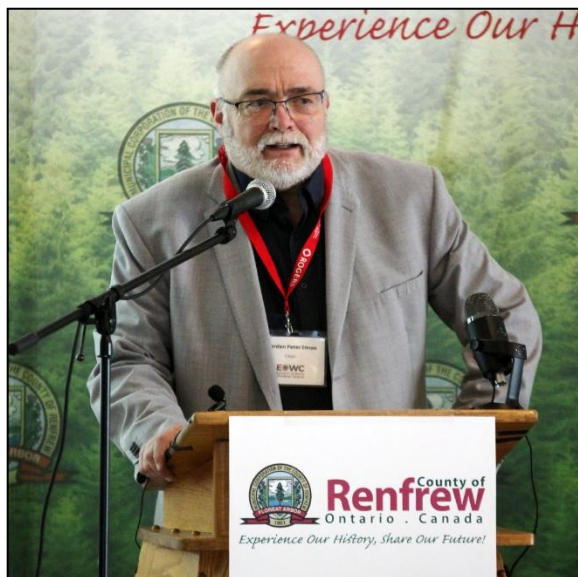
The Renfrew County Affordable Housing Summit was a full-day event that brought together industry experts and potential partners to explore opportunities for using vacant municipal land, innovating around existing properties, and fostering collaboration to address pressing housing needs. Developers, non-profit organizations, and companies interested in development opportunities were encouraged to attend.

Local builders and developers, the primary focus of the Summit, were urged to share their insights and expertise to shape discussions and identify actionable strategies for promoting new home construction in Renfrew County.

During the Summit, attendees explored opportunities for growth in the community, aiming to foster collaboration and explore innovative solutions. Various agencies were also present to discuss available programs and resources aimed at supporting housing initiatives. Please refer to the attached agenda in Appendix 2 for further details.

Attendance numbers: A total of 135 participants were registered for the event. Despite an unexpected snowstorm on the day of the event, approximately 110 participants still attended the Housing Summit.

Overview of Presenters and Topics Covered:



Welcome and Opening Remarks – We were honoured to have MPP John Yakabuski open the Housing Summit, setting the stage for our day by highlighting Provincial initiatives and offering insights into the soon-to-be-announced Bill 185. For a summary of the proposed changes stemming from Bill 185, please refer to Appendix 1 – Environmental Scan.

Following MPP Yakabuski, Warden Peter Emon extended greetings on behalf of County Council. Warden Emon challenged attendees to consider how existing programs could be made more flexible and accessible to rural communities. In his capacity as Chair of the Eastern Ontario Wardens' Caucus (EOWC), Warden Emon also discussed the EOWC's 7 in 7+ Regional Housing Project. For details on this initiative, please see Appendix 1 – Environmental

Scan.

Our first presenter of the day was Andrea Patrick, Director of Community Services. With over 25 years of experience across all levels of the Community Services Department, Ms. Patrick provided invaluable insights into the pressing housing crisis facing our community. Community Services, as one of three frontline departments addressing housing needs, plays a crucial role in responding to those most in need of housing support. Ms. Patrick's presentation effectively set the stage for our event by outlining the magnitude of the housing crisis and the urgent need for action.

Next, we had the opportunity to hear from members of the development community who shared their successes and shed light on the challenges developers encounter in today's environment. Representing this group were Adrian Schut and Bonnie Martell.

Mr. Schut brings a wealth of experience as an accomplished builder and developer, specializing in multi-residential structures and custom homes. With his background, he provided valuable insights into the intricacies of the industry. During his presentation Adrian spoke about his role with Cahdco, a non-profit real estate developer that is focused on increasing Canada's affordable housing by developing projects, consulting, knowledge sharing, and network-building.

Bonnie Martell, a Senior Manager of Development at Colonnade BridgePort, boasts over 15 years of project management experience. Her expertise lies in strategic project positioning and delivery, with a focus on multi-family, commercial, and industrial projects within CBP's extensive development pipeline exceeding \$1 billion. Notably, in her role as a board member for Habitat for Humanity, she has also been actively involved in advocating for the not-for-profit housing sector.

Both presenters brought a unique perspective to the summit, advocating for innovative solutions and collaboration across sectors to address the housing challenges faced by our community.

As part of the Summit, the County of Renfrew seized the opportunity to unveil its latest initiative. Jason Davis, the Director of Development and Property, spoke to the attendees about the County of Renfrew's Expression of Interest (EOI) initiative. This initiative marks a pivotal step in the County's commitment to addressing the critical need for affordable and attainable housing within our community. The EOI initiative focuses on promoting County-owned lands, inviting both developers and not-for-profit organizations to express their interest in collaborating to create housing solutions that are accessible and sustainable. Mr. Davis' presentation underscored the County of Renfrew's commitment to fostering partnerships that prioritize affordability and inclusivity, envisioning a future where residents have access to secure, comfortable, and affordable homes.

Throughout the day, our goal was also to inform the audience about available programs that could assist in expanding the housing supply in our community. Lance Arnold, the Senior Manager of Client Relationships and Operations at Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation (CMHC), provided the group with an overview of programs currently offered by CMHC. Additionally, Marc Bru, a recent addition to the team at the Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM), provided an overview of programs supported by FCM.

CAO Craig Kelley provided our concluding presentation for the day that featured an overview of the Mesa program; a groundbreaking initiative aimed at addressing the root causes of homelessness, substance abuse, and mental health issues in the community. (For further details about Mesa, please refer to Appendix 1 – Environmental Scan).

Mr. Kelley reiterated the ongoing need for housing in the County of Renfrew and underscored the crucial role of innovation and collaboration in meeting this need. He emphasized that the goal of providing adequate housing for all residents can only be achieved through concerted efforts and by fostering strong relationships within our community. Mr. Kelley’s presentation served as both a call to action and a vision for the future of the County of Renfrew.



Social Media:

Throughout the day, social media played a crucial role in keeping those unable to attend the Housing Summit engaged and informed. Updates on the conversations and information discussed were shared across various social media platforms, ensuring that a wider audience could follow along with the event’s proceedings.

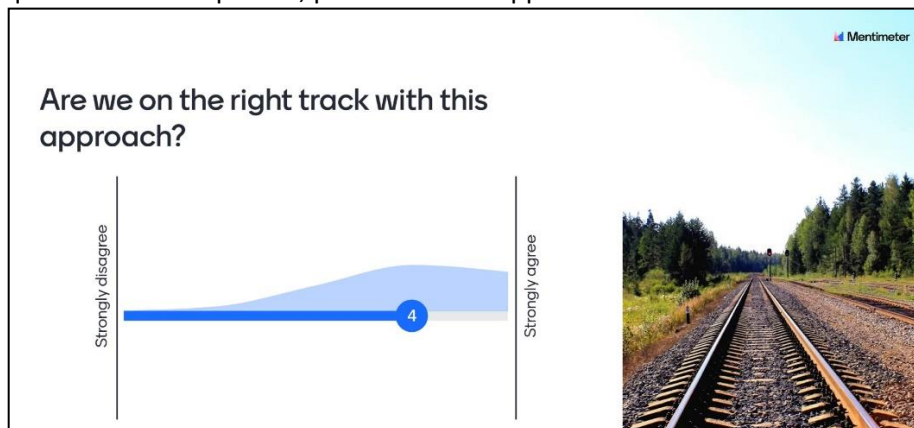
In addition to leveraging social media, we also employed the services of a videographer to capture key moments and highlights from the discussions taking place. The resulting video is truly impressive, effectively summarizing many of the thoughts and ideas presented throughout the day.

For those interested in experiencing the summit’s highlights firsthand, the video can be accessed at the following link: [Video Link](#).

Mentimeter Questions and Responses:

Throughout the workshop, we utilized Mentimeter, an interactive presentation tool, to actively engage summit participants and collect their opinions on various topics. This innovative application allowed participants to use their smartphones to provide real-time responses to a series of questions following each presentation, while also enabling them to view the responses of others.

The data gathered through Mentimeter proved to be invaluable and will serve as the foundation for many of the recommendations provided to Council. For a comprehensive summary of the Mentimeter questions and responses, please refer to Appendix 3.



Follow-up Survey:

As a follow-up to the Renfrew County Housing Summit, a survey was sent to those concerned about the housing crisis in Renfrew County. The survey was designed to gauge critical issues pertaining to residential construction in the area. Key findings from the survey include:

1. **Housing Development Plans:** Out of twenty-three respondents, only nine indicated plans to build residential housing in Renfrew County within the next three years.
2. **Skilled Labour Shortage Impact:** Sixty percent of respondents noted that the shortage of skilled labour was adversely affecting the local housing supply.
3. **Short-Term Accommodation Impact:** Interestingly, a significant majority of respondents did not believe that short-term rentals were affecting housing availability in the County.
4. **Interest in Below-Market Rental Units:** Over 37% of respondents expressed a willingness to allocate a percentage of units for below-market rent if more supplements were available. However, there was little interest in managing tenants, a sentiment echoed throughout the summit.

For a detailed review of the survey results, please refer to the attached survey in its entirety in Appendix 5.

Participant Feedback and Perspectives:

The Mentimeter tool, the follow-up survey, and the numerous conversations held throughout the day led to the identification of several recurring themes. When participants were asked to articulate the biggest challenges in developing affordable housing, their responses were unequivocal. Red tape emerged as the primary hurdle, closely followed by the pressing need for increased funding. Members of the development community echoed these sentiments, expressing growing concerns about the mounting obstacles posed by bureaucratic processes.



Moreover, when participants were tasked with selecting the five most challenging aspects of developing housing in Renfrew County, the following concerns emerged:

1. Availability of Labour
2. Access to Essential Services (Water and Sewer)
3. Interest Rates
4. Supply Chain
5. Access to Electricity & Communications
6. Availability of Land

These key areas, as identified by summit participants, underscore the multifaceted challenges faced by developers and stakeholders in addressing housing needs within the County.

Key Recommendations from the Housing Summit:

The recommendations outlined in this report are solution-focused, with the understanding that solutions to the housing crisis in Renfrew County may include both financial and non-financial tools, including changes to legislation, regulations, and innovative approaches to policy. By being solution focused, the recommendations provide an opportunity to achieve positive outcomes for all levels of government.

1. **Explore the Development of a Community Improvement Plan (CIP):** The County of Renfrew should consider establishing a Community Improvement Plan, enabling collaboration between municipal planners and economic developers to devise policies and financial incentives aimed at broad community improvement and development. This tool, authorized under Section 28 of the Planning Act, would provide a framework for stimulating private and non-profit sector investment in attainable housing to address community needs.
2. **Support the Development of a Real Estate Asset Investment Strategy:** Endorse the efforts of Renfrew County Housing Corporation and the Development & Property Department in crafting a Real Estate Asset Investment Strategy, including initiatives such as the recently released Expression of Interest (EOI) to redevelop County-owned properties.
3. **Increase Funding and Revise Criteria for Housing Repair Programs:** Advocate with Provincial and Federal Governments to augment funding and revise criteria for programs aimed at assisting landlords in repairing and adapting rental housing for seniors and other vulnerable populations.
4. **Promote and Support the Mesa Initiative:** Continue to champion the Mesa project as an effective means of assisting the most vulnerable members of our community.
5. **Incentivize Private Sector Landlords to Offer Affordable Housing:** Provide more incentives to private sector landlords to offer affordable housing options to marginalized community members, potentially through sustainable funding increases from the Provincial Government for rent supplements, housing allowances, and other shelter benefits.
6. **Advocate for Additional Funding for Rent Supplement Programs:** Lobby for additional funding to support private sector landlords, thereby expanding opportunities through rent supplement programs and the Rent-Geared-to-Income Program.
7. **Advocate for Skilled Labour:** Advocate with both Federal and Provincial Governments to address the shortage of skilled labour in the housing sector.
8. **Secure Funding for Housing Repairs:** Recognize the financial challenges faced by the Renfrew County Housing Corporation and the County's not-for-profit home providers in maintaining and repairing rental homes over the next decade. Advocate at all levels of government for funding to sustain the existing housing stock.
9. **Increase Funding and Revise Criteria for Housing Repair Programs:** Advocate with Provincial and Federal Governments to augment funding and revise criteria for programs aimed at assisting landlords in repairing and adapting rental housing for seniors and other vulnerable populations.

10. Address Interest Rate Challenges: Recognize and address the significant barriers posed by current interest rates to homeownership, as highlighted during the Summit discussions. The County of Renfrew administers the Affordable Homeownership Program, designed to aid low-to-moderate-income renter households in purchasing affordable homes through down payment assistance in the form of a forgivable loan. Despite its potential benefits, the program has experienced limited uptake in recent years. It is recommended that a comprehensive review of the eligibility criteria and program rules be conducted to assess if adjustments could expand accessibility, enabling more low-to-moderate-income households to realize the opportunity of affordable homeownership.
11. The County of Renfrew is currently undergoing a thorough review of its Building Condition Assessments pertaining to its housing stock. This comprehensive assessment will culminate in a report containing a set of recommendations. It is important that staff and our elected officials give careful consideration to these recommendations, as they are expected to shed light on significant issues concerning the condition of housing owned and operated by the County of Renfrew.
12. The Housing Summit underscored the critical importance of maintaining funding for key housing programs such as the Canada-Ontario Community Housing Initiative (COCHI), Ontario Priorities Housing Initiative (OPHI), and Canada-Ontario Housing Benefit (COHB) for the most vulnerable members of our community. Any cessation or reduction in funding would profoundly affect the programs delivered by the Renfrew County Housing Corporation, potentially jeopardizing essential support services for those in need. It is imperative that County Council continue to advocate all levels of Government to commit to the continuation of funding under the CMHC-Ontario Bilateral agreement.

Conclusion:

In addressing the growing housing crisis in the County of Renfrew, the inaugural Housing Summit held on April 4, 2024 served as a pivotal moment for stakeholders to come together and confront the multifaceted challenges at hand. As we reflect on the discussions and insights shared during the summit, it becomes evident that the housing issue in Canada, Ontario, and our own County presents complex challenges that demand collaborative efforts from all levels of government and stakeholders.

While various initiatives have been set in motion to tackle issues of affordability, accessibility, and housing supply, it is clear that sustained investment and innovative solutions are essential to ensure that all individuals and families have access to safe, affordable, and suitable housing options. The Housing Summit was undeniably a resounding success, solidifying our understanding of the housing crisis in Renfrew County and setting us on a path toward meaningful solutions.

As we move forward, we recognize that change will not occur overnight. However, there is no better time than now to begin addressing these pressing issues. By fostering partnerships and promoting collaboration, we can work together to build a stronger and more resilient community for all residents of Renfrew County.

Appendix 1 – Environmental Scan

Environmental Scan: Housing Issue in Canada, Ontario, and the County of Renfrew

The housing issue in Canada, particularly in Ontario and the County of Renfrew, is a multifaceted challenge that affects individuals across various socio-economic strata. From low-income families struggling to afford stable housing to middle-income earners facing affordability crises and seniors encountering accessibility barriers, the housing crisis presents complex challenges for policymakers at all levels of government.

Current Issues:

1. Shortage of Housing for Low-Income Families:

- In Canada, the shortage of affordable housing has reached critical levels, with low-income families disproportionately affected. The demand for subsidized housing far exceeds the available supply, leading to long waitlists and precarious living situations.
- Ontario faces similar challenges, with cities like Toronto experiencing escalating housing costs that push low-income families to the outskirts or into homelessness.
- In the County of Renfrew, rural communities also grapple with limited affordable housing options, exacerbating the challenges faced by low-income families.

2. Affordability Crisis for Middle-Income Earners:

- Middle-income earners in urban centers across Canada, including Ontario, struggle to afford housing due to rapidly rising prices and stagnant wage growth. This has led to increased financial strain, as individuals allocate larger portions of their income towards housing costs.
- In Ontario, particularly in cities like Toronto and Ottawa, the gap between income levels and housing prices continues to widen, making homeownership increasingly unattainable for many middle-class families.
- The County of Renfrew experiences similar affordability challenges, with limited housing options that cater to the needs and budgets of middle-income earners.

3. Impact on Seniors:

- Seniors face unique housing challenges, including limited accessibility, affordability concerns, and a lack of suitable housing options that cater to their changing needs.
- Many seniors in Canada, Ontario, and the County of Renfrew struggle to downsize or find housing that is accessible and age-friendly, leading to housing insecurity and potential isolation.
- Affordable housing options for seniors are often insufficient, forcing many to remain in homes that may no longer meet their needs or face homelessness.

Government Responses:

1. Federal Government:

- The Federal Government has committed to investing in affordable housing initiatives through programs such as the National Housing Strategy. This includes funding for the construction of new affordable housing units and subsidies to support low-income families.
- Additionally, measures such as the First-Time Home Buyer Incentive aim to make homeownership more accessible for middle-income earners by providing shared equity loans.
- For seniors, the Federal Government has implemented programs like the Home Adaptations for Seniors' Independence (HASI) program, which provides financial assistance for home modifications to improve accessibility.

- On April 16, 2024, the Government of Canada released its 2024 Budget: [Fairness for Every Generation](#). The following is a summary of highlights related to the development of Housing.
 - The Federal Government has indicated that it will provide new funding to boost home construction, including \$15 billion for the Apartment Construction Loan Program to build a minimum of 30,000 new rental apartments; \$6 billion for water and wastewater infrastructure through a new Housing Infrastructure Fund; and a \$400 million top-up to the Housing Accelerator Fund for direct deals with municipalities to speed-up home construction. The budget indicates a total spend of \$4.4 billion, that hopes will result in the building of 750,000 new homes.
 - The Budget invests \$1.3 billion for Canada’s Homeless Strategy and \$1.5 billion to help non-profits acquire rental housing in an effort to maintain ultra-affordable apartments for those on low and fixed incomes.
 - For builders, the government is also increasing the capital cost allowance for purpose-built rentals from 4% to 10% to directly subsidize new construction. The Budget also expands the GST exemption to new student residences to alleviate new building costs in the face of a growing number of international students.
 - For prospective homebuyers, the government is launching a Home Buyer’s Bill of Rights and is amending the Canadian Mortgage Charter to allow for 30-year amortizations for first-time homebuyers in new builds. The Budget also increases the RRSP Home Buyers’ Plan to allow individuals to withdraw up to \$60,000 (up from \$35,000). Existing homeowners will also benefit from new \$40,000 low-interest loans to construct secondary suites on their properties and renewed \$40,000 interest-free loans under the Greener Homes Affordability Program to retrofit for energy efficiency.
 - Renters will benefit from a new Renters’ Bill of Rights, a \$15 million tenant protection fund which sends a strong signal about cracking down on illegal rent increases, and the government says it will work with banks and creditors to include rent payment history in credit scores.
 - The Federal Government has announced an ambitious plan to leverage publicly-owned land to speed up home-building. The government says the program will unlock 250,000 new homes by 2031, using Canada Post locations, federal office buildings and exploring development on National Defence properties such as unused armouries. This is not unlike what the County of Renfrew is proposing with the release of its most recent Expression of Interest.

2. Provincial Government (Ontario):

- The Ontario government has introduced various initiatives to address the housing crisis, including the More Homes, More Choice Act, which aims to increase housing supply by streamlining the development approval process.
- Programs such as the Ontario Renovates program provide financial assistance for home repairs and adaptations, benefiting low-income families and seniors.
- The Ontario Housing Benefit offers financial support to eligible low-income individuals and families to help with rental costs, addressing affordability concerns.
- On April 10, 2024, Ontario’s Provincial Government (the “**Province**”) introduced new legislation in its quest to “cut red tape”, speed up government processes, and meet its goal of building 1.5 million homes by 2031. Bill 185: the [Cutting Red Tape to Build More Homes Act](#) (“**Bill 185**”), introduces a number of changes to 15 statutes, including key land-use planning legislation. These legislative changes are largely in response to stakeholder feedback on issues preventing

or delaying the development of housing, including feedback on changes brought forward under Bill 23: the [More Homes Built Faster Act](#) (“**Bill 23**”).

- Bill 185 will focus on planning, housing and infrastructure-related, although it is notable that the Bill also addresses numerous other matters including changes to the Ontario Building Code Act and other legislation.
- Key themes raised by the Province in Bill 185 include:
 - Building homes faster and at lower cost.
 - Prioritizing infrastructure for ready-to-go housing projects with a new “use it or lose it” process to address stalled development.
 - Improving consultation and providing municipalities and builders with greater certainty to get homes built faster, including limiting third-party appeals to the Ontario Land Tribunal.
 - Building more types of homes for more people by streamlining approvals for student housing, supporting standardized designs to reduce delays and costs, including for modular homes, and supporting innovative construction methods such as mass timber.
- The Ontario government has also released an updated draft, [Provincial Planning Statement](#), (PPS) which is available on the [Environmental Registry of Ontario](#) for review and comment until May 10, 2024 (30 days). The updated Provincial Planning Statement focuses on changes to the following elements of the PPS:
 - Generating an appropriate housing supply;
 - Making land available for development;
 - Providing infrastructure to support development;
 - Balancing housing with resources; and
 - Implementation.
- For more information on the proposed changes resulting from Bill 185 and the PPS, please see the May 2024 Development and Property Committee Report.

3. Eastern Ontario Wardens’ Caucus: (EOWC):

- Housing affordability and attainability remains a key focus of the Caucus. Across the EOWC’s region, there are approximately 12,000 to 14,000 units on municipal community rental housing wait lists. People are waiting an average of almost 5 years and up to 10 years in some cases to access these community rental housing units. As part of the Ontario Government’s goal of building 1.5 million homes by 2031, the EOWC is looking to do our part in increasing housing supply through our bold ‘7 in 7+’ regional housing project.
- The EOWC’s ‘7 in 7+’ regional housing project proposes building at least 7,000 community rental units over seven years across the region to address the wait lists. Using a mixed-model approach, the ‘7 in 7+’ project has the added benefit to bring on nearly 21,000 additional market rate units. This would total 28,000 housing units. The EOWC is moving ahead with the ‘7 in 7+’ plan and is currently working with KWM Consulting Inc. to create a business case to move forward effectively and sustainably.
- The County of Renfrew approved a contribution of \$36,000 to support the deliverables of this project until March 31, 2024.
- The total cost of developing a business plan that would support the project, which will be shared equally among the 13 EOWC member municipalities, is \$468,000. Costs for implementation and ongoing maintenance of the project have yet to be determined.

- The plan would require partnering with the Federal and Provincial Governments, as well as the private and non-profit sector, and Indigenous partners. The EOWC is also calling on the Provincial and Federal Governments to develop a strong financial framework to support municipalities in order to better prepare, plan and implement housing and related support services.
- The Business Plan to support the project will be presented to the Caucus on April 26, 2024.

4. Municipal Government (County of Renfrew):

- At the municipal level, the County of Renfrew has implemented affordable housing strategies aimed at increasing the supply of affordable units and supporting vulnerable populations.
- Initiatives such as the Community Homelessness Prevention Initiative (CHPI) provide funding for local organizations to deliver housing support services and homelessness prevention programs.
- More recently the County of Renfrew has initiated the Mesa project. Mesa is an evidence-based “escalator model” designed to transition people out of harm and towards an equitable community landscape. The goal is to support everyone to move towards health, well-being and a safe place to call home.
- The County also collaborates with non-profit organizations and private developers to create affordable housing developments and explore innovative solutions to address housing needs
- The County is currently exploring a partnership with a local provider to bring a transitional housing initiative to Pembroke.

Conclusion: The housing issue in Canada, Ontario, and the County of Renfrew presents complex challenges that require collaborative efforts from all levels of government and stakeholders. While various initiatives have been implemented to address affordability, accessibility, and supply issues, there remains a pressing need for sustained investment and innovative solutions to ensure that all individuals and families have access to safe, affordable, and suitable housing options.

Appendix 2 – Housing Summit Agenda

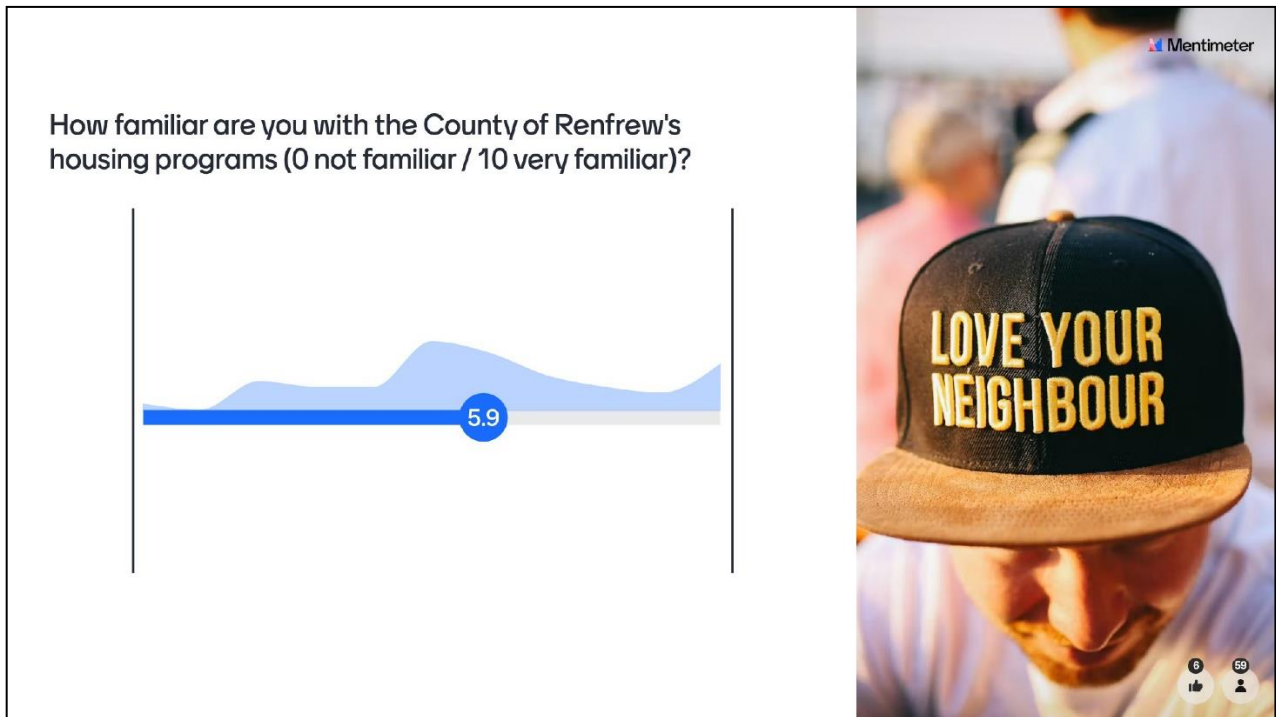


9:30 - 10 am	Registration and Networking
10 - 10:40 am	Welcome and Opening Remarks Paul Moreau, Facilitator; Warden Peter Emon, County of Renfrew; MPP John Yakabuski
10:40 - 10:55 am	Update from Community Services Andrea Patrick, Director of Community Services, County of Renfrew
10:55 - 11:30 am	Developer Experiences Adrian Schut, Director of Construction, CAHDCO Bonnie Martell, Habitat for Humanity
11:30 – 12 pm	County Properties Expression of Interest & Innovative Partnerships Jason Davis, Director of Development & Property, County of Renfrew
12 - 12:45 pm	<i>Lunch, Guided tour of myFM Centre & Networking</i> Lunch sponsored by Ontario Real Estate Association
12:45 – 1:15 pm	Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation Lance Arnold, Senior Manager, Multi-Unit Client Solutions
1:15 – 1:45 pm	Federation of Canadian Municipalities Marc Bru, Assistant Outreach Officer, Sustainable Affordable Housing, Green Municipal Fund
1:45 – 2 pm	A Collaborative Approach to Community Care – ‘Mesa’ Craig Kelley, CAO, County of Renfrew
2 – 2:15 pm	A Vision for the Future Craig Kelley, CAO, County of Renfrew
2:30 – 2:45 pm	Closing Remarks Warden Peter Emon, County of Renfrew
2:45 – 3:15 pm	Networking

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Appendix 3 – Mentimeter Questions and Responses



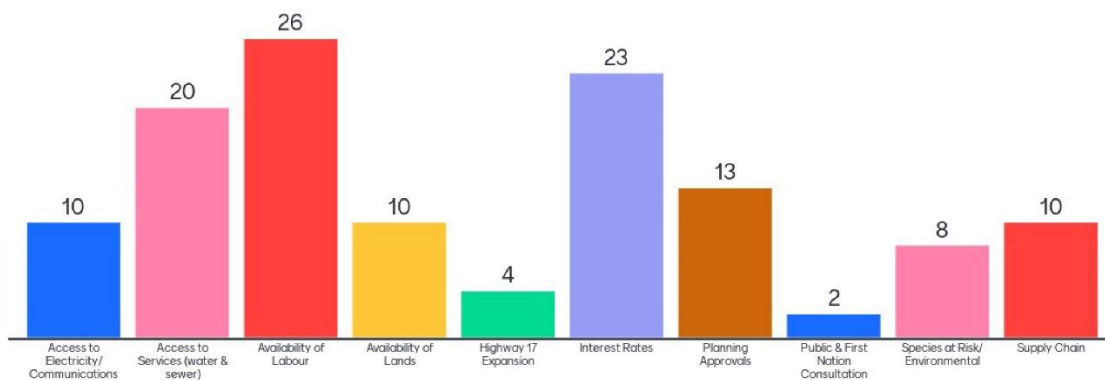
Have you encountered other building challenges not mentioned here today?

Labour shortages	Funding and space	Legal challenges	Small municipal budgets,
% of barrier free affordable housing being built?	Labour shortages	Greedy landowners wanting too much for marginal lands	Utility hookups such as hydro and gas
Lack of local resources	Servicing	Rural land without municipal water	Location at the rural end of the county.
Zoning is a problem, we need to redefine zoning to allow for different types of development.	Infrastructure funding	Collaboration for design per client	Province and Feds not recognizing uniqueness of rural Ontario when funding
No	Additional servicing cost to upgrade municipal roadways and services.		

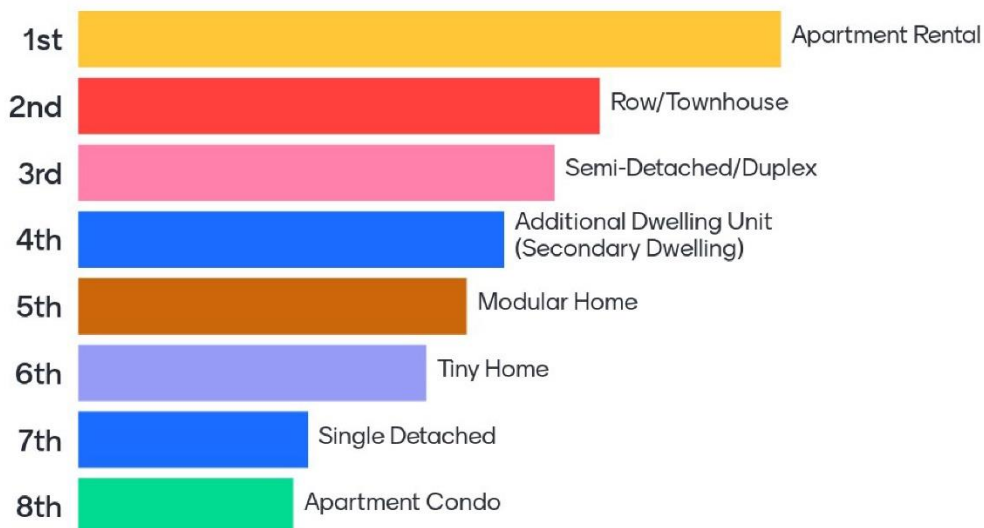
Select the Top 5 most challenging aspects of developing housing in Renfrew County.

- Availability of Labour – 26
- Interest Rates – 23
- Access to Services (water and sewer) – 20
- Planning Approvals – 13
- Access to Electricity/Communications – 10
- Availability of Lands – 10
- Supply Chain – 10
- Species at Risk/Environmental – 8
- Highway 17 Expansion – 4
- Public and First National Consultation – 2

5. Select the top 5 most challenging aspects of developing housing in Renfrew County?



Rank in order of priority the types of housing most needed in Renfrew County?



Appendix 4 – Expression of Interest – County of Renfrew Property Division

The Corporation of the County of Renfrew (the County) is inviting firms and individuals to submit Expressions of Interest (Expressions) for properties located within the County for the purpose of developing affordable housing.

The County of Renfrew’s Expression of Interest (EOI) initiative, will be a pivotal step in our mission to address the critical need for affordable and attainable housing within our community. This initiative focuses on promoting County-owned lands, inviting both developers and not-for-profit organizations to express their interest in collaborating with us to create housing solutions that are accessible and sustainable. The County of Renfrew is dedicated to fostering partnerships that prioritize affordability and inclusivity, envisioning a future where residents have access to secure, comfortable, and affordable homes. Through this EOI, we aim to spark innovative ideas and initiatives that align with our commitment to building a thriving and diverse community. We invite developers and not-for-profit organizations alike to join us in this endeavor, forging partnerships that will leave a lasting positive impact on the housing landscape of the County of Renfrew.

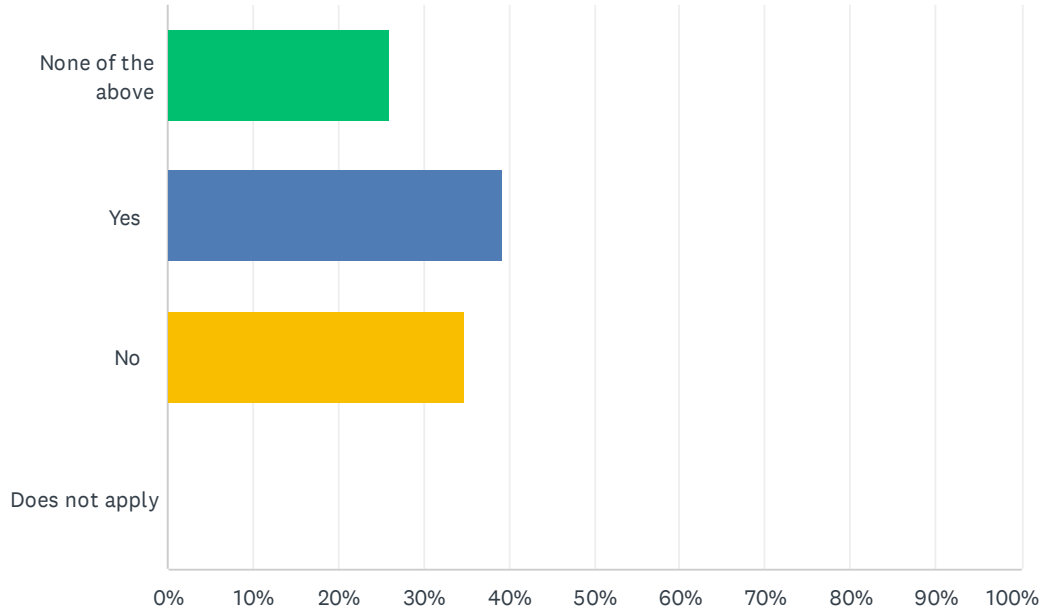
Those interested in receiving information for Expression of Interest EOI-2024-01 – County Properties for Affordable Housing must register through [Bids and Tenders - County of Renfrew](#).

Expressions of Interest will be received until **2:00 p.m., Friday, June 7, 2024, local time**.

Appendix 5 – Renfrew County Housing Summit Survey

Q1 Are you currently building residential housing in the County of Renfrew or plan to do so in the next three years?

Answered: 23 Skipped: 0

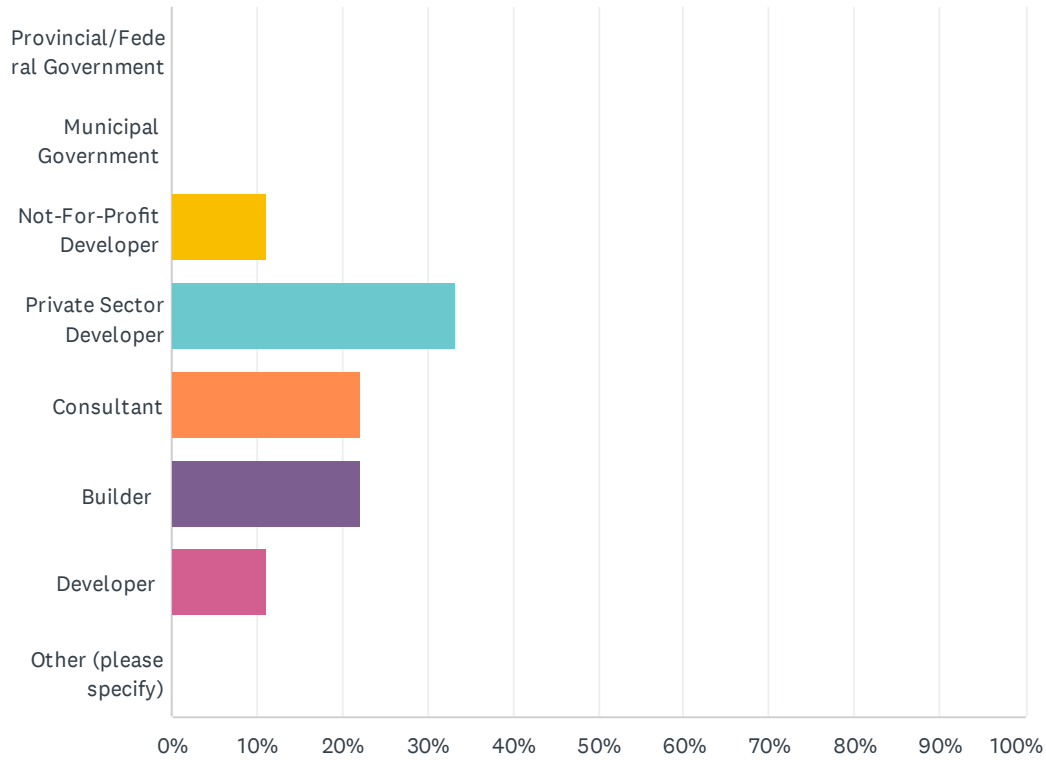


ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES
None of the above	26.09% 6
Yes	39.13% 9
No	34.78% 8
Does not apply	0.00% 0
TOTAL	23

#	DOES NOT APPLY	DATE
	There are no responses.	

Q2 If so, please identify what sector you represent.

Answered: 9 Skipped: 14




ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES
Provincial/Federal Government	0.00% 0
Municipal Government	0.00% 0
Not-For-Profit Developer	11.11% 1
Private Sector Developer	33.33% 3
Consultant	22.22% 2
Builder	22.22% 2
Developer	11.11% 1
Other (please specify)	0.00% 0
TOTAL	9

#	OTHER (PLEASE SPECIFY)	DATE
	There are no responses.	

Q3 The shortage of skilled labour is having a significant impact on the housing supply in the County of Renfrew.

Answered: 20 Skipped: 3

3.7 
average rating



	NO IMPACT	(NO LABEL)	(NO LABEL)	(NO LABEL)	SIGNIFICANT IMPACT	TOTAL	WEIGHTED AVERAGE
☆	0.00% 0	10.00% 2	30.00% 6	40.00% 8	20.00% 4	20	3.70

Q4 What are your suggestions on how to incorporate affordable housing for low- and middle-income individuals and families into developments?

Answered: 15 Skipped: 8

#	RESPONSES	DATE
1	Connections need to be made between the non-for-profit sector agencies interested in building and operating more housing within the County and who may have capital and assets to leverage, with builders who have construction knowledge and access to skilled labour, and those who have knowledge about funding programs nuances of affordable housing development, tight budgets and complex program applications and reporting. These interdisciplinary teams seem to make the difference between projects that are brainstormed and those that make it through to completion. The Summit was great, and it would have been made better by having even more local housing providers at the table from the private and non-profit sectors.	4/29/2024 11:07 AM
2	Greater success on accessing government financing. Local municipalities taking more risks	4/23/2024 11:52 AM
3	- expedited approvals for projects that include affordable units - waived development charges for affordable units - waived planning application fees for affordable units - waived building permit fees for affordable units - municipal funding for affordable units (i.e., \$XX per affordable unit) - all of the above need to be in exchange for a guarantee that the units stay affordable for a certain duration of time	4/23/2024 10:51 AM
4	Working with Municipalities to implement zoning that will allow home owners to run a home-based business and generate revenue out of their home. This revenue source will now make housing more attainable for families. Work with organizations to help low/middle families to set up home-based businesses. Builders and developers to integrate built forms that include primary and secondary units (SDUs) and ancillary dwelling units (ADUs) to help the new homeowner to generate revenue from their rental units to supplement their mortgage payments and thus become more attainable. Work with organizations to teach new landlords (homeowners) the ins & outs of managing properties and the ins & outs of being a landlord. Incorporate land lease options in developments to reduce the cost of buying a home. Province to work with lending institutions to implement mortgage solutions for land lease housing options.	4/22/2024 8:14 PM
5	Just need front end grants to adj Cap rates. Easy.	4/22/2024 3:41 PM
6	As material cost continue to escalate along with labor cost, it will be difficult to control the majority of the projects. There has to be a buy in from the various level of government to provide incentives to all areas of the build . The project needs to be designed with in its entirety to be an affordable unit.	4/22/2024 8:56 AM
7	Grants/incentives/DC discounts to builders to entice them.	4/22/2024 8:16 AM
8	1. County financial support to municipalities for infrastructure upgrades pertinent to not-for-profit projects (as in, water and sewage expansion, roads and sidewalks) 2. encouraging builders to include a small percentage of every build to be deemed RGI and allowing Renfrew County Housing to manage those units 3. encourage Renfrew County Housing to review their roster of clients to determine who is over-housed or is earning beyond the qualifying income levels. Transitions of these natures take place all the time in the rental market- seniors downsize, people upgrade according to their financial needs. Treating Housing clients with respect does not absolve the County from treating those on the waiting list with justice. Even an 8% shift in housing will make a difference to people waiting for units.	4/22/2024 12:51 AM
9	Seek partnerships and support partners in dealing with government red tape.	4/20/2024 3:37 PM
10	Partnerships between housing service providers, developers/builders and municipal government.	4/20/2024 3:37 PM
11	In areas with servicing, support "natural" affordable options - allow for smaller buildings on smaller lots, flexible zoning (i.e. reduced yard setbacks, pocket neighbourhoods) and reduced parking. Consider design of entire communities - enable services and shops within existing and new developments to reduce transportation costs/need to drive everywhere. Work with local	4/20/2024 10:06 AM

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engineering firms to help identify ways to support infrastructure to accommodate infill in existing towns and villages (i.e. smaller wastewater treatment options and governance models for communal servicing). Work with municipalities to revitalize/promote growth and affordable housing in their villages via special tax classes, and reduced planning and building fees. Encourage partnerships and build capacity of existing (and perhaps new) non-profit housing organizations. Think beyond County-owned land and County-owned/managed housing. Provide training to these groups on pro-formas, housing/asset management. Explore community-based financing options. Reach out to Tapestry Capital and explore opportunities for community-bonds and community-owned housing.

12	Make use of vacant county and municipal land. Use HAF grant funds to provide incentives to developers.	4/20/2024 6:53 AM
13	Mandate a percentage of the units. Apply all possible funding envelopes CMHC etc. Work only with developers who will as	4/19/2024 10:16 PM
14	Incorporating all levels of income into every development will provide the labour that we need to care for each other in our community.	4/19/2024 4:39 PM
15	Offer Highschool or College Credits for Students to assist in housing construction, repair and additions or second unit conversion to community houses. Use federal drawings and could be mandatory to get diploma or degree. Tax Reductions provided to owners or developers for 5 to 10 years. Could be in the form of tax receipts for inkind values.	4/19/2024 4:34 PM

Q5 The short-term accommodation sector is having an impact on the availability of long-term rentals in the County of Renfrew.

Answered: 17 Skipped: 6

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average rating



	STRONGLY DISAGREE	DISAGREE	NEITHER AGREE OR DISAGREE	AGREE	STRONGLY AGREE	N/A	TOTAL	WEIGHTED AVERAGE
☆	17.65% 3	11.76% 2	52.94% 9	11.76% 2	5.88% 1	0.00% 0	17	2.76

Q6 What are the top three obstacles to building low- to middle-income rental units?

Answered: 16 Skipped: 7

ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
# 1	100.00%	16
# 2	100.00%	16
# 3	93.75%	15

#	# 1	DATE
1	Complex program requirements and reporting at the provincial and federal levels deter builders	4/29/2024 11:10 AM
2	Lack of investment funding	4/23/2024 2:23 PM
3	Lack of municipal action	4/23/2024 11:53 AM
4	lack of funding from all levels of government	4/23/2024 10:53 AM
5	land costs	4/22/2024 8:18 PM
6	Being able to make the payments using the low rent rolls	4/22/2024 3:42 PM
7	infrastructure	4/22/2024 8:58 AM
8	Cost of construction labor and materials	4/22/2024 8:18 AM
9	provincial and federal funding for the initial builds-tax breaks are not sufficient	4/22/2024 12:56 AM
10	Money	4/20/2024 3:38 PM
11	Construction Costs	4/20/2024 3:38 PM
12	Lack of non-profit/co-op housing organizations	4/20/2024 10:08 AM
13	Profit margins to low	4/20/2024 6:55 AM
14	Finances	4/19/2024 10:16 PM
15	Securing easily accessible properties	4/19/2024 4:45 PM
16	Cost	4/19/2024 4:34 PM
#	# 2	DATE
1	Connecting non-profit leaders with the capacity to build more with teams to assist with the build (program consultants, builders etc.)	4/29/2024 11:10 AM
2	Shortage of skilled trades	4/23/2024 2:23 PM
3	Lack of government financing for our area	4/23/2024 11:53 AM
4	cost of construction	4/23/2024 10:53 AM
5	infrastructure upgrade costs	4/22/2024 8:18 PM
6	Need front loaded capital	4/22/2024 3:42 PM
7	labor and material cost high	4/22/2024 8:58 AM
8	Very low profit if any	4/22/2024 8:18 AM
9	defn of "low income housing"-80% market value vs RGI...developers favour the former	4/22/2024 12:56 AM

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10	Red tape	4/20/2024 3:38 PM
11	Financial Feasibility	4/20/2024 3:38 PM
12	Lack of building sector knowledge/capacity regarding multi-unit building	4/20/2024 10:08 AM
13	Lack of government funding	4/20/2024 6:55 AM
14	Services	4/19/2024 10:16 PM
15	Slow processing of plans and approvals	4/19/2024 4:45 PM
16	Available Land	4/19/2024 4:34 PM
#	# 3	DATE
1	Having all the layers or pots of funding available at the same time, and favourable interest rates to make very tight budgets viable	4/29/2024 11:10 AM
2	Inflationary pressure	4/23/2024 2:23 PM
3	Inflationary costs of materials	4/23/2024 11:53 AM
4	lack of interest from developers in being landlords	4/23/2024 10:53 AM
5	carrying costs while going through approvals	4/22/2024 8:18 PM
6	Less red tape.	4/22/2024 3:42 PM
7	proper zoning need to be expedited.	4/22/2024 8:58 AM
8	Finding property managers/landlords	4/22/2024 8:18 AM
9	need to tear down existing "water view" units leaves current Housing clients homeless until new facilities can be completed. Location of these new facilities not determined	4/22/2024 12:56 AM
10	Skilled labour	4/20/2024 3:38 PM
11	Absence of Government Subsidy	4/20/2024 3:38 PM
12	Neighbourhood opposition	4/20/2024 10:08 AM
13	Land	4/19/2024 10:16 PM
14	Educated and skilled personnel to bring it all together	4/19/2024 4:45 PM
15	Buildings/Developers interest - busy making \$\$ in this market - need to make it worth their while	4/19/2024 4:34 PM

Q7 What are the top three challenges in managing rental units?

Answered: 15 Skipped: 8

ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
# 1	100.00%	15
# 2	80.00%	12
# 3	60.00%	9

#	# 1	DATE
1	Maintaining aging stock	4/29/2024 11:11 AM
2	Mental health supports for tenants	4/23/2024 2:25 PM
3	Maintaining staff	4/23/2024 11:56 AM
4	turnover	4/23/2024 10:54 AM
5	Finding good quality tenants	4/22/2024 8:20 PM
6	Getting paid	4/22/2024 3:43 PM
7	Maintaining retention with the clients	4/22/2024 9:33 AM
8	na	4/22/2024 8:18 AM
9	Housing Workers focused on policing residents instead of creating community and trust	4/22/2024 1:00 AM
10	Money	4/20/2024 3:41 PM
11	Costs	4/20/2024 3:38 PM
12	Lack of manpower	4/20/2024 6:55 AM
13	Behaviour of tenants	4/19/2024 10:18 PM
14	Maintenance and care	4/19/2024 4:49 PM
15	cost / rental supports	4/19/2024 4:35 PM

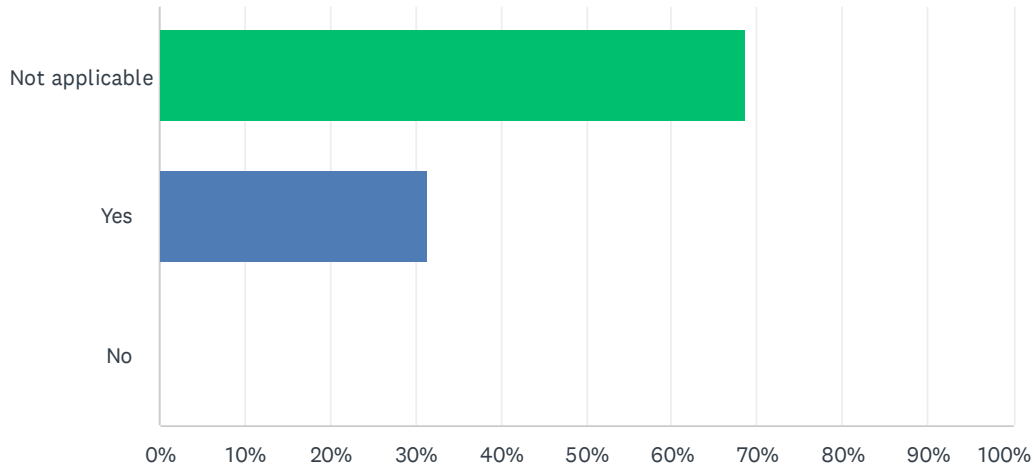
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1	Hoarding	4/23/2024 2:25 PM
2	LTB weighted in favor of the tenant	4/23/2024 11:56 AM
3	risk of problem tenants	4/23/2024 10:54 AM
4	Keeping good tenants	4/22/2024 8:20 PM
5	dealing with low rent residents	4/22/2024 3:43 PM
6	aligning like minded demographics	4/22/2024 9:33 AM
7	na	4/22/2024 8:18 AM
8	no funds for improving existing stock	4/22/2024 1:00 AM
9	Sense of ownership	4/20/2024 6:55 AM
10	Cost vs. Revenue	4/19/2024 10:18 PM
11	Health and hygiene habits of tenants	4/19/2024 4:49 PM
12	landlord tribunal backlog	4/19/2024 4:35 PM

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#	# 3	DATE
1	Shortage of property management staff	4/23/2024 2:25 PM
2	day to day management (i.e., property maintenance)	4/23/2024 10:54 AM
3	Not being able to replace tenants due to tenants rights	4/22/2024 8:20 PM
4	Getting paid	4/22/2024 3:43 PM
5	right price	4/22/2024 9:33 AM
6	na	4/22/2024 8:18 AM
7	insufficient staff to provide wrap around services for those in need- problems develop that could/should be nipped in the bud	4/22/2024 1:00 AM
8	Safe passage ways inside and outside the residence	4/19/2024 4:49 PM
9	long waiting list for tenants	4/19/2024 4:35 PM

Q8 Would you be willing to rent below-market units if there were more supports in place?

Answered: 16 Skipped: 7



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Not applicable	68.75%	11
Yes	31.25%	5
No	0.00%	0
TOTAL		16

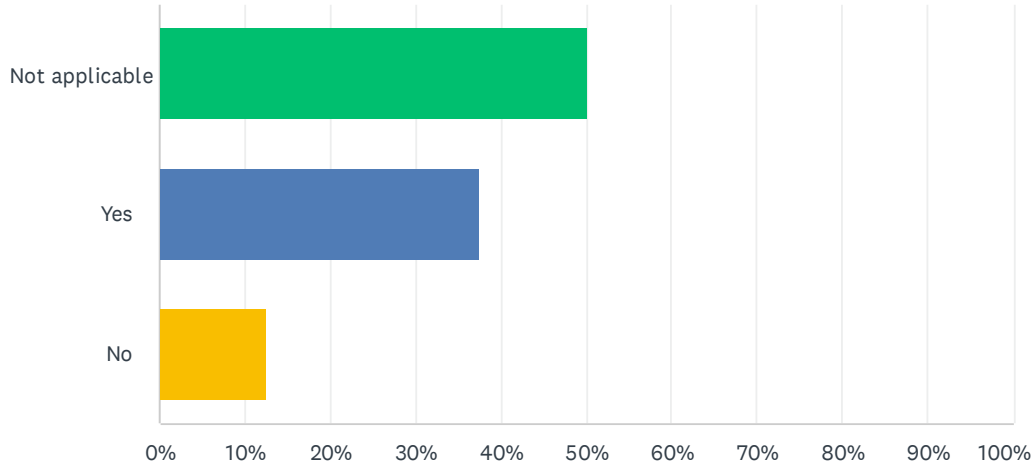
Q9 What supports do you need to rent below-market units?

Answered: 11 Skipped: 12

#	RESPONSES	DATE
1	N/A	4/29/2024 11:11 AM
2	Up from funding or low interest loans	4/23/2024 2:26 PM
3	Renfrew county to agree to allow us to construct new housing in exchange for old, existing housing.	4/23/2024 11:57 AM
4	- Someone else (i.e., County housing) to manage the units - guaranteed rent (i.e., County head lease with County responsible for finding and managing tenants)	4/23/2024 10:55 AM
5	Subsidizing - if there is only \$400 stipend for housing, that is not enough to cover our high mortgage, insurance, maintenance and property tax costs.	4/22/2024 8:21 PM
6	I was pretty clear at the meetings. Need a template with front load grants to lower rents. If the county could take a lease on complete building for 25 years and manage/collect rents it would be easy.	4/22/2024 3:45 PM
7	financial support from the various levels of governments	4/22/2024 9:34 AM
8	NA	4/22/2024 8:18 AM
9	addictions and mental health workers on site access to Crisis Interventions that are responsive 24/7 before situations escalate to calling 911 for police intervention	4/22/2024 1:01 AM
10	Subsidies, Housing allowances, municipal partnerships.	4/20/2024 3:39 PM
11	I'm financially independent as long as I can work and live in the same location and rent controls are in effect. Below market can mean many things. The supports that our currently in place appeared to be working for those who need them.	4/19/2024 4:51 PM

Q10 Would you be willing to allocate a percentage of units for below-market rent if there were more supplements available?

Answered: 16 Skipped: 7



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Not applicable	50.00%	8
Yes	37.50%	6
No	12.50%	2
TOTAL		16

Q11 During the Housing Summit we heard that red tape was the biggest challenge related to building and development. If you agree, please specify what those red tape challenges are.

Answered: 13 Skipped: 10

#	RESPONSES	DATE
1	Uncertainly around the pre-development review process (recently due to changing provincial legislation outside of the area municipality's control), slow review processes due to small staff. I've also heard from builders that the energy efficiency requirements for most of the NHS programs slow things down and deter builders as well.	4/29/2024 11:14 AM
2	Criteria for funding and grants is time consuming and restrictive and some timelines are difficult to achieve.	4/23/2024 2:28 PM
3	Lack of resources and support for the planning department at the townships. I've been waiting for 2 years for Arnprior to create a definition for a private road allowance for a development site. A town is only as good as its planners.	4/23/2024 12:00 PM
4	I do not agree. Red tape is not the obstacle to building and development and particularly affordable housing. Affordable housing only makes financial sense if there are financial incentives to construct it or if there is a big enough gap between market rates and affordable rates (in other words, in a project that includes both market and affordable units, it is a combination of financial incentives and the market units themselves that subsidize the affordable units. On the whole, you need to have a big enough project to absorb the loss attributed to the affordable units.	4/23/2024 10:59 AM
5	As a municipal planner, I see the primary barriers being infrastructure and the capacity of our builder/developer community.	4/23/2024 10:23 AM
6	Very long list of studies and reports required for application, High costs and timelines to get these reports and studies done, The applying for the zoning, site plan application and waiting months to receive a response The city planners changing their minds and multiple rounds of comments Costs for making all these changes and submitting again NIMBYs and community associations appealing decisions	4/22/2024 8:25 PM
7	For low income rentals the ability to pay the building off is the problem. Red tape is a problem and will always be. The province needs a one size fits all for units under 24 that can be completed and project started in less than 4 -6 months. I have 2 projects in the pipe now that are almost 20 months and now the first studies are no good because they say they are too old !!	4/22/2024 3:48 PM
8	with Modular building we experience, too long of a wait time Re the permit process. Lots of conversations RE ADU but NO immediate action from the various levels of governments. minimal sq ft issues.	4/22/2024 9:43 AM
9	Hasn't been a factor for us, yet.	4/22/2024 8:19 AM
10	not applicable	4/22/2024 1:02 AM
11	Access to funding, timing in application and completion.	4/20/2024 3:42 PM
12	Nimby politics and the politicization of housing policies preventing opportunities and solutions.	4/20/2024 3:40 PM
13	Sometimes the largest challenge is trying to get the committee who will make the decisions to meet. Tighter deadlines, and online meetings should reduce this part of the construction timeframe. These committees are often staffed by volunteers and they may not always be available when you need them.	4/19/2024 4:57 PM

Q12 Provide your contact information below if you would like to schedule a meeting with Jason Davis, Director of Development and Property, County of Renfrew, to discuss the Expression of Interest that seeks partnership and innovation regarding municipal assets for the development of affordable housing.

Answered: 4 Skipped: 19

ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Name	100.00%	4
Company	75.00%	3
Address	0.00%	0
Address 2	0.00%	0
City/Town	0.00%	0
State/Province	0.00%	0
ZIP/Postal Code	0.00%	0
Country	0.00%	0
Email Address	100.00%	4
Phone Number	100.00%	4

#	NAME	DATE
1	Rebecca McEvoy	4/29/2024 11:15 AM

2	Adam Babineau	4/23/2024 12:00 PM
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3	Tom Orr	4/22/2024 3:49 PM
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4	Pierre Dufresne	4/20/2024 3:41 PM
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#	COMPANY	DATE
1	Tim Welch Consulting	4/29/2024 11:15 AM

2	Orr Developments	4/22/2024 3:49 PM
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3	Cavanagh Communities	4/20/2024 3:41 PM
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	There are no responses.	

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	There are no responses.	

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	There are no responses.	

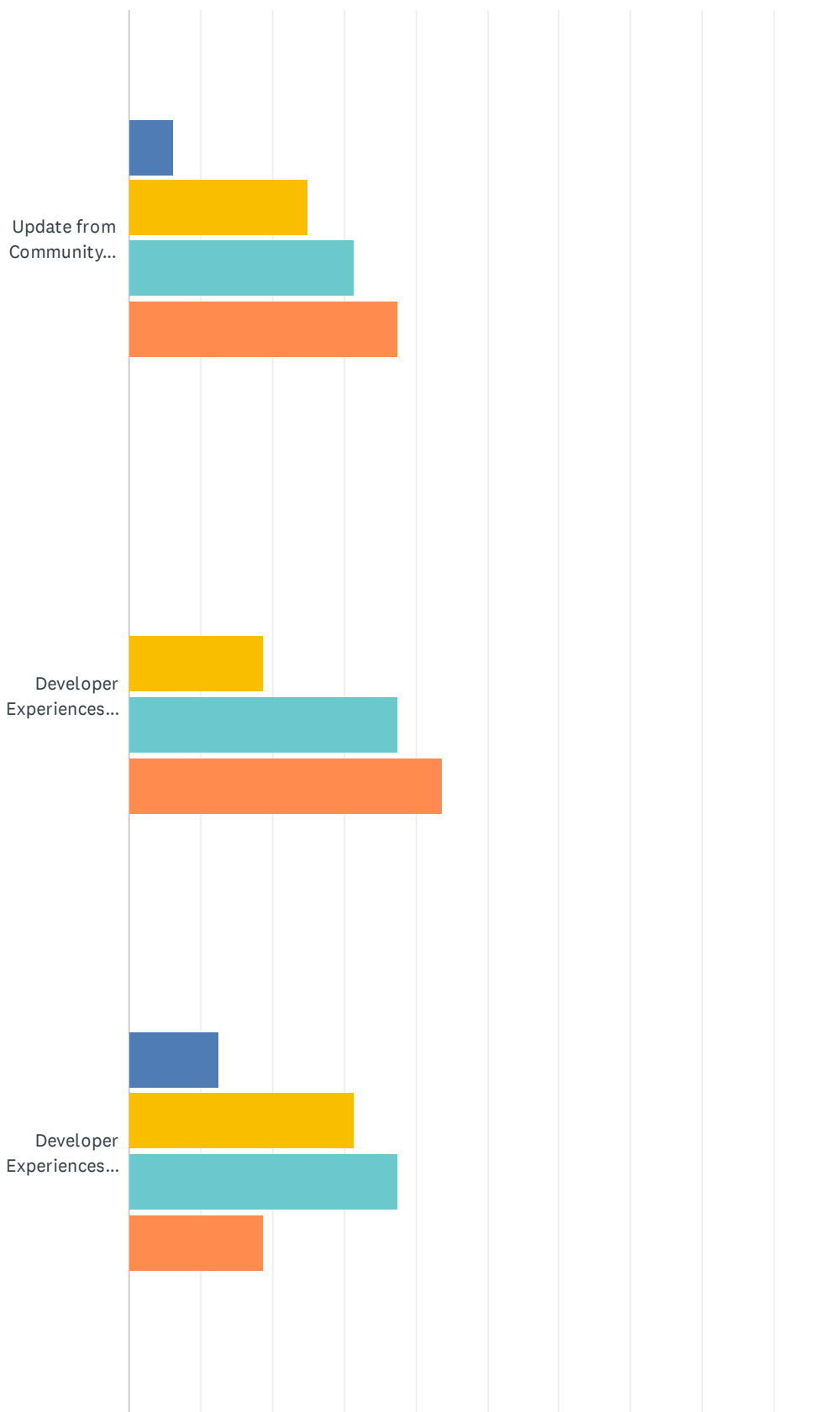
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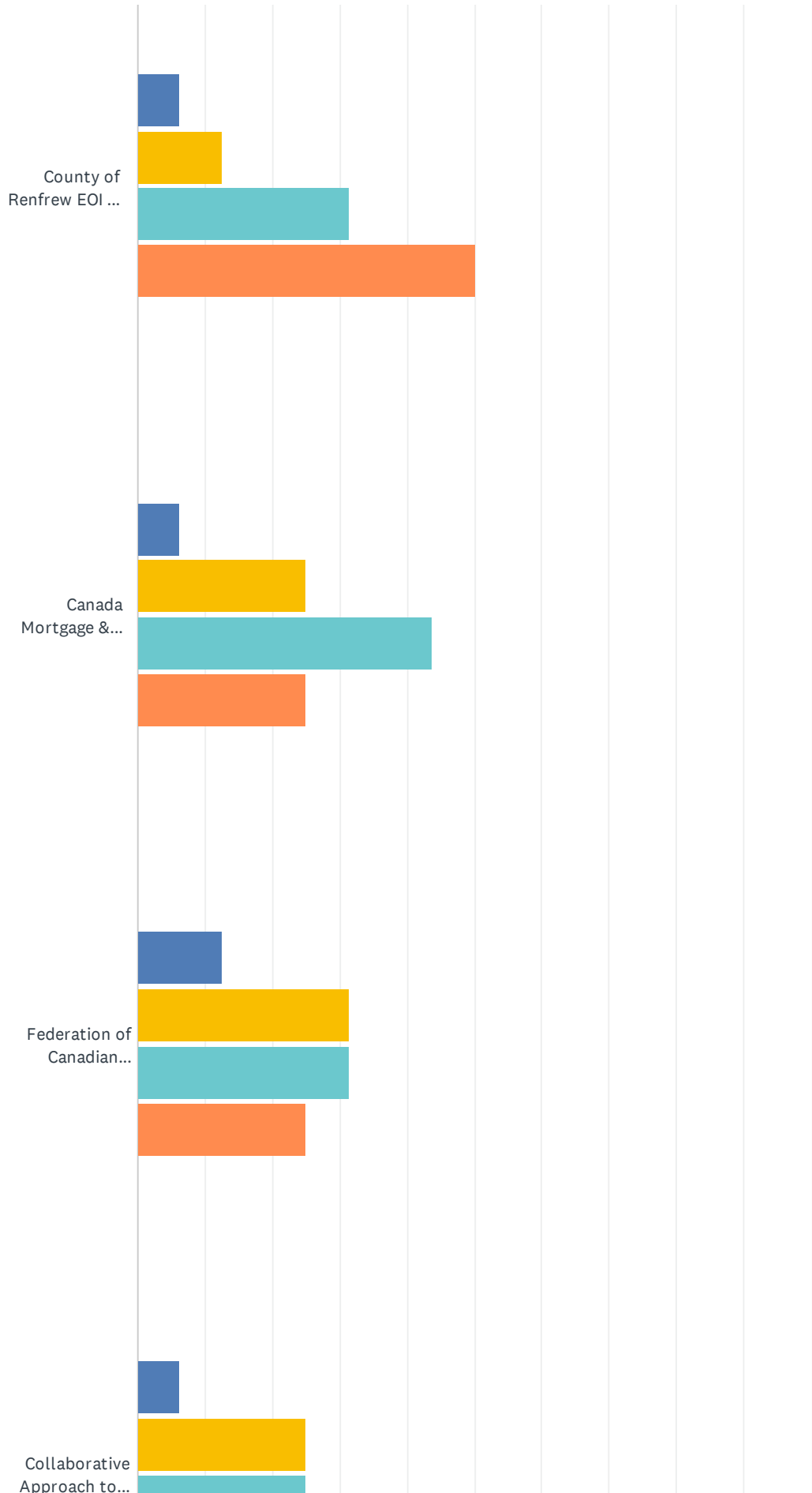
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	There are no responses.	
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2	adam@ottawarealestate.com	4/23/2024 12:00 PM
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4	pdufresne@thomascavanagh.ca	4/20/2024 3:41 PM
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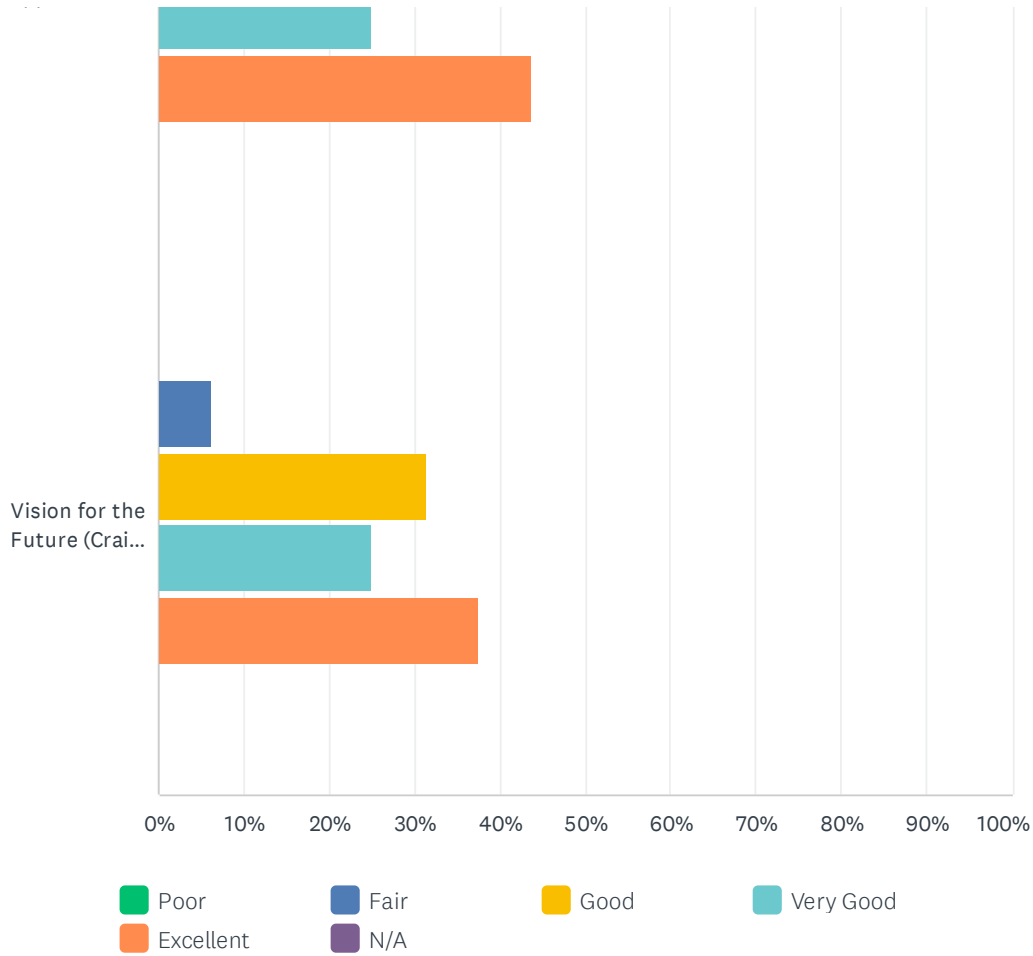
Q13 How would you rate the presentations and speakers?

Answered: 16 Skipped: 7





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	POOR	FAIR	GOOD	VERY GOOD	EXCELLENT	N/A	TOTAL	WEIGHTED AVERAGE
Update from Community Services (Andrea Patrick)	0.00% 0	6.25% 1	25.00% 4	31.25% 5	37.50% 6	0.00% 0	16	4.00
Developer Experiences (Adrian Shut)	0.00% 0	0.00% 0	18.75% 3	37.50% 6	43.75% 7	0.00% 0	16	4.25
Developer Experiences (Bonnie Martell)	0.00% 0	12.50% 2	31.25% 5	37.50% 6	18.75% 3	0.00% 0	16	3.63
County of Renfrew EOI & Innovative Partnerships (Jason Davis)	0.00% 0	6.25% 1	12.50% 2	31.25% 5	50.00% 8	0.00% 0	16	4.25
Canada Mortgage & Housing Corporation (Lance Arnold)	0.00% 0	6.25% 1	25.00% 4	43.75% 7	25.00% 4	0.00% 0	16	3.88
Federation of Canadian Municipalities (Marc Bru)	0.00% 0	12.50% 2	31.25% 5	31.25% 5	25.00% 4	0.00% 0	16	3.69
Collaborative Approach to Community Care (Craig Kelley)	0.00% 0	6.25% 1	25.00% 4	25.00% 4	43.75% 7	0.00% 0	16	4.06
Vision for the Future (Craig Kelley)	0.00% 0	6.25% 1	31.25% 5	25.00% 4	37.50% 6	0.00% 0	16	3.94

Q14 How would you rate the venue/location (myFM Centre Community Hall, Renfrew)?

Answered: 16 Skipped: 7

4.3★
average rating



	POOR	FAIR	GOOD	VERY GOOD	EXCELLENT	N/A	TOTAL	WEIGHTED AVERAGE
☆	0.00% 0	0.00% 0	12.50% 2	37.50% 6	43.75% 7	6.25% 1	16	4.33

Q15 How would you rate the food and beverages?

Answered: 16 Skipped: 7

4.4★
average rating



	POOR	FAIR	GOOD	VERY GOOD	EXCELLENT	N/A	TOTAL	WEIGHTED AVERAGE
☆	0.00% 0	6.25% 1	0.00% 0	37.50% 6	56.25% 9	0.00% 0	16	4.44

Q16 How would you rate the overall organization of the event?

Answered: 16 Skipped: 7

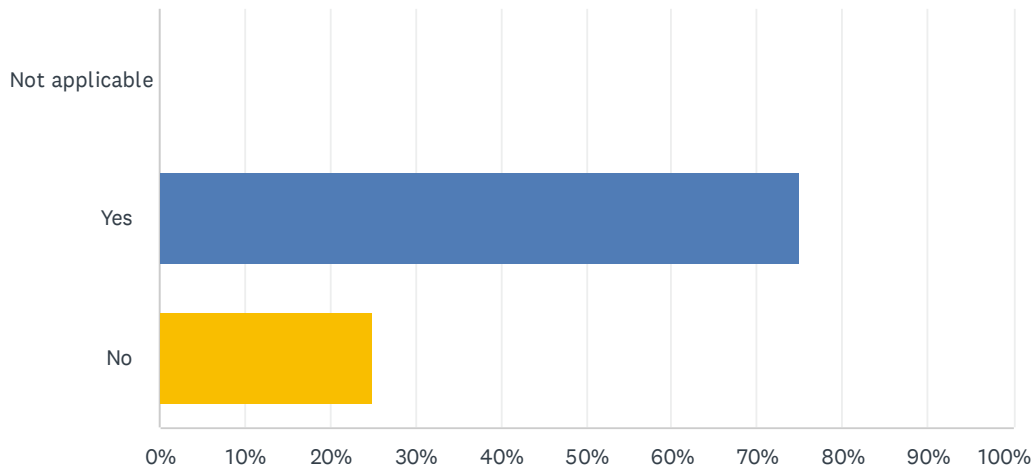
4.5★
average rating



	POOR	FAIR	GOOD	VERY GOOD	EXCELLENT	N/A	TOTAL	WEIGHTED AVERAGE
☆	0.00% 0	0.00% 0	6.25% 1	37.50% 6	56.25% 9	0.00% 0	16	4.50

Q17 Was the event what you expected?

Answered: 16 Skipped: 7



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES
Not applicable	0.00% 0
Yes	75.00% 12
No	25.00% 4
TOTAL	16

Q18 What topics, speakers or organizations would you like to see at a future Housing Summit?

Answered: 11 Skipped: 12

#	RESPONSES	DATE
1	More participation from the non-profit sector and more cross-sectoral networking to help build the partnership needed to make affordable housing projects a go.	4/29/2024 11:17 AM
2	United way.	4/23/2024 2:30 PM
3	Only addition I would like to see would be from the construction side, perhaps an expert for modular construction	4/23/2024 12:02 PM
4	More seasoned private sector developers with real experience in providing affordable housing.	4/23/2024 11:04 AM
5	Supporting more housing in towns and villages (small apartments, secondary units, smaller lots), and working on the infrastructure (communal services, small-scale municipal service systems) to get us there Training/connection/capacity building for non-profit housing organizations Community-based financing options (see work of Tapestry Capital, Places for People) More time/lessons learned from non-profit developers/asset managers - the best presentation of the day was the first non-profit housing presenter (I think that was Adrian Shut?) - would have loved him to have more airtime Perhaps the formation of a working group to explore communal servicing and/or smaller scale municipal systems?	4/23/2024 10:28 AM
6	Developers sharing their innovation, ideas, mistakes. The County sharing their ideas for innovation, changes, and sharing their mistakes A Next steps discussion on how we can all collaborate and move forward	4/22/2024 8:28 PM
7	We needed a summit that listened to the problems instead of telling us what was available. Any developer that has experience knows about the programs. MOST of the programs are not suited to our area. We need 4-8 established developers at a table with a few county directors included and listen to the problems/solutions. I dont believe NEW want to be developers are needed in this space. Its tough enough but if you are in experienced and not well established financially it will kill you.	4/22/2024 3:55 PM
8	Provincial and Federal Housing Representatives.	4/22/2024 9:45 AM
9	especially appreciated presentation by CAHDCO while there was a great deal of positive energy in the room, numbers of units and price points needed by specific community were not identified, nor were projected growth for specific economic groups even hinted at-perhaps a presentation from the UBC HART project?	4/22/2024 1:10 AM
10	More discussion on successful projects - case studies.	4/20/2024 3:42 PM
11	It would be interesting to see a plan, presented for different types of housing. This would include a rough draft of floor designs, and the property development.	4/19/2024 5:08 PM

Q19 Share any additional feedback.

Answered: 6 Skipped: 17

#	RESPONSES	DATE
1	I love the discussion points. Hopefully it leads to real action being taken	4/23/2024 12:02 PM
2	I thought the event should have allocated much more time to both Adrian and Bonnie. These are people with real experience building affordable housing. With all due respect, the developers and property owners in the room do not really care about the state of the County's social housing portfolio or the mesa project. The developers and property owners need to know how the County can facilitate the inclusion of affordable units in market projects.	4/23/2024 11:04 AM
3	The summit was professional and well organized, but I was hoping for more two-way dialogue and break out discussions. It was really information heavy, and we only had the opportunity to hear from a few developers during the short Q&A sessions. I think it's awesome that the County is looking to partner to develop County-owned land, but to solve the problem, I think the County should take a leadership/facilitation role to help enable non-County projects on non-County land. Can leverage the capacity in the community, including local planners, existing non-profit developers, as well as the affordable housing alliance, to do this.	4/23/2024 10:28 AM
4	should be an annual event.	4/22/2024 9:45 AM
5	thank you for a thoughtful survey	4/22/2024 1:10 AM
6	Journey Persons 175 will tell the story of making a house a home. It will celebrate Renfrew's 175 Anniversary in 2033 and I envision filming the cutting of a ribbon for new homes in Renfrew by 2031. It is my hope to follow the social housing project from start to finish, including video captured at the Summit. The documentary will encourage trades and tech in our schools and show off what we already have to offer. Thank you for your continued excellence and know that when it comes to caring for others the County of Renfrew is number one. Looking forward to seeing the plans. Regards, K. E. Windle	4/19/2024 5:08 PM

Q20 Provide your information below if you would like to be kept informed about future events and opportunities with the County of Renfrew.

Answered: 11 Skipped: 12

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4	Tom	4/22/2024 3:55 PM
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6	Kari	4/22/2024 8:20 AM
7	Josie	4/22/2024 1:10 AM
8	Brenda	4/20/2024 3:44 PM
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4	Guildcrest Homes	4/22/2024 9:46 AM
5	Quality Homes and Renovations	4/22/2024 8:20 AM
6	Greater Arnprior Community Council on Poverty and Homelessness	4/22/2024 1:10 AM
7	Trinity - St. Andrew's United Church	4/20/2024 3:44 PM
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