

# From Housing to Homes:

## Safe, Healthy Homes and Communities Across Bruce County & Grey County



Housing is a basic need and a human right. Housing forms the foundation for our homes, neighbourhoods, and communities. 2018 is a critical time, as our communities are in serious need of safe and affordable housing. The complex problem of ensuring homes for all will require a multi-sector response, and municipalities can lead the way.

In Grey County & Bruce County:

There is a  
**1.7%**  
vacancy rate\*.  
3% is considered  
optimal.

Almost **1 in 5**  
households spend  
**more than half**  
of income on rent  
and utilities.



The Community  
Homelessness Prevention  
Initiative served:  
**3,002**  
clients in 2017.

**9.3%** of Bruce  
County households  
are in Core Housing  
Need.



**11.4%** of Grey  
County households  
are in Core Housing  
Need.

### Invest in safe homes and neighbourhoods with:

- **Property standards by-laws** that are enforced equally & proactively to ensure protection is comprehensive & fair.
- **Appropriate development** that ensures a variety of housing types are available to meet community needs.
- Application of **inclusionary zoning** practices & priority use of vacant land for housing development.
- Help for homeowners and housing providers to **maintain, repair, and retrofit** existing units.
- Prioritizing development of **affordable housing**, that which costs no more than 30% of household income.




**Did you know..?**

Prioritizing safe and affordable housing  
creates safe and healthy neighbourhoods?

Bruce Grey  
**POVERTY  
TASK FORCE**

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everyone has a safe place to call home:**

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 Bruce Grey Poverty Task Force