# What is the Housing Continuum?



The Housing Continuum represents the range of housing types available in a community. Healthy communities have a wide variety of adequate housing choices available that reflect the unique needs of the community.

Addressing Huron's housing shortage requires careful consideration of the entire housing continuum. The more missing pieces there are within the continuum, the more unstable the housing ecosystem becomes.

The County of Huron is currently working to improve access to housing through three separate service areas:

- Social and Property Services
- Planning and Development
- Economic Development

# The County of Huron is currently working to ensure housing is available at all points on the housing continuum.

The County of Huron's Planning and Development, Economic Development, and Social and Property Services departments are working alongside community partners to address housing needs across the entire housing continuum. It is important to ensure that housing is available at all points on the housing continuum so that everyone has access to safe and affordable housing.

The types of housing needed to support a diverse housing continuum may include:

- Single Family Dwellings
- Duplexes and Triplexes
- Row Homes
- Multi Unit Apartment Buildings

A variety of housing types are needed to address a variety of housing needs, including:

- Families
- Seniors
- Workforce
- Newcomers
- Students and young adults
- Individuals with lower incomes (Living below a living wage)
- Individuals experiencing homelessness

The County of Huron is taking a multi-pronged approach to ensure there is housing available for everyone.

#### Actions that address homelessness

- 1. Homelessness Enumeration
- 2. Huron Stability Team
- 3. Out of the Cold Emergency Shelter
- 4. By-Name List
- 5. Coordinated Access System
- 6. Housing with Supports

## Actions that address affordable housing

- 7. Rent-Geared-to-Income
- 8. Homelessness Prevention Programs
- 9. Housing Developments

### Actions that help increase housing stock

- 10. Residential Intensification Guidelines
- 11. Housing Friendly Review