

### Halton Housing Help Services

Are you looking for safe and affordable housing in Halton Region's private marketplace? Let Halton Housing Help connect you to the housing supports you need. We work with community partners to provide the information and referrals you need to find housing programs in your area. Services include:

- •Online resources to connect you with housing supports
- •Telephone support service for answers to general questions about housing resources
- •One-to-one support by appointment

#### One-to-one support

If you are having difficulty finding or maintaining adequate housing, let us help. We offer one-to-one support to individuals and families with complex housing needs.

- •One-to-one support focuses on your specific needs. Our case managers connect you with helpful community services and resources. We also advocate on your behalf with landlords and social service agencies.
- •One-to-one support provides you with the tools you need to prevent future housing loss.

Service locations (by appointment only)

Oakville 690 Dorval Drive, 7th Floor, Oakville

Burlington
440 Elizabeth Street, 2nd Floor, Burlington

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**Please note**: If you are a renter or landlord, call 311 or email <a href="mailto:halton@housinghelpcentre.ca">halton@housinghelpcentre.ca</a> to speak with a Halton Housing Help representative today.

#### **HALTON – Assisted Housing**



#### Need help with the cost of housing?

Assisted Housing - Halton Access to Community Housing (HATCH)

If you are struggling with the cost of maintaining your rental home, Halton Region's Assisted Housing Programs may be able to help. Assistance may be in the form of rent-geared-to-income (RGI), which provides safe rental housing for individuals and families with low incomes or financial assistance where you are currently renting.

### How does the Rent Supplement Program work?

Rent supplements reduce the cost of housing for qualified low income individuals and families. Landlords sign an agreement to provide RGI units to the program, and Halton Region places eligible applicants from the HATCH waitlist in the available units. The housing subsidy provided through the program is paid directly to the landlord. Tenants pay their part of the rent, based on their household income, directly to their landlord.

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# Canada-Ontario Housing Benefit

The Canada Ontario Housing Benefit (COHB) program provides low income households with an immediate need a portable housing benefit to assist with rental costs in their private market rent housing. The benefit is tied to the household and can be used to help pay rent anywhere in Ontario.

# **Below Market Rent Programs**

Below market rent programs provide low income households with a rental unit that is less than the average market rent in Halton Region.

# How to apply

To apply for all assisted housing programs you need to submit a <u>Halton Access to Community Housing (HATCH) Application(PDF file)</u>. Call 311 to have an application mailed to you.



# **HALTON – Housing Crisis**

Are you at risk of losing your housing?

Are you struggling to pay your housing costs? Afraid of eviction? Halton Region's Housing Stability program may be able to help you. This program will assess your eligibility for one-time assistance with basic housing expenses such as:

- Rental arrears (rent payments that are overdue)
- Last month's rent
- · Utility arrears
- Moving/storage
- Furniture

The purpose of this program is to help people maintain their housing.

How to apply

Call 311 to discuss your situation and apply for this program.