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Housing for All Land Trust

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We're on a mission to bring a new vehicle for affordable housing development to York Region.

The Housing for All Land Trust (HALT) is working to bring together resources, expertise, and capital to unlock and preserve affordable housing in York Region. Building on lessons learned from land trusts across Canada, we are seeking to partner with municipalities, the private sector and local non-profit housing operators to create new affordable housing, holding these community-owned real estate assets in perpetuity.

HALT will deliver value by:

Acting as a reliable point of contact for the acquisition of housing units from private sector developers and local government to affordable housing operators.

Taking on real estate development and acquisition activities to support local non-profit housing operators to expand their portfolio without needing to bring on their own development capabilities.

HALT has the potential to create a lasting impact in the York Region housing system.

The land trust will create and preserve affordable housing.

- Creating new housing across the spectrum of community housing, including supportive and affordable rental housing
- Raising and deploying capital to enable new development and preservation/renewal of existing affordable housing
- Maintaining assets as affordable in perpetuity

The land trust will achieve greater scale and sustainability in the community housing sector.

- ✓ Model a sustainable growth engine that increases the capacity of human resources dedicated to the growth of community-owned affordable housing, reducing duplication of efforts across the sector
- Ensure the professional management of assets for long-term sustainability.

We need help from York Region municipalities to realize this mission.

The land trust is looking to collaborate with municipalities and other levels of government to realize housing opportunities for those in greatest need in our region.

How to get involved as a municipal partner:

- Dedicate land and units to help grow the land trust's portfolio over time
- Provide **funding** to support the land trust's acquisitions and activities
- Expedite development approvals and provide other incentives to support the land trust's developments
- Build up the financial and operating capacity of partnering non-profit housing operators in York Region to ensure we can serve a broad range of people in need