

Homelessness Task Force

Work Plan for 2024



Updated: September 21, 2023

	Deliverable / Project	Description	Frequency	Scheduled Date	Location	Lead	Status	Deadline	Budget
1.	Make recommendations to adjust Zoning and land use policies to further support affordable housing.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Review Official Plan (ToO and County) Review Zoning By-law Meet with Planning Staff for guidance Work with local Homeowners Building Associations <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Pitch ideas Develop marketing tools Homeless Task Force will be consulted with respect to any land inventory Accessory Unit – an inventory of units/educational campaign/build on the legal basement apartment registry/review best practices that may exist in other municipalities 	Once	Ongoing	Town of Orangeville		Not Started	TBD	None
2.	Temporary spaces in Community Centres. Focus: Alder Kinsmen/Kinette Room Mill Street Library	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Compile approved strategies and background information that support the initiative. Example: <i>Community Safety and Well-Being Plans</i> Assess local shelter operating hours Confirm community centre hours Determine gap in service hours Environmental scan of available indoor spaces (public and private) and available equipment <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Proposed Alder and Mill Street Explore opportunities to host professionals on site. Example: Social Workers Explore a partnership with the food bank or Dufferin Community Living for food/concession support Implement a shower Pass Program Train Facility Staff Market the initiative 	Ongoing	Ongoing	Town Facilities	H. Savage	In Progress	December 2025	None

3.	Advocate on behalf of the needs of homeless/near homeless at all levels of governments.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Identify governmental agencies responsible for supporting vulnerable peopleDevelop tactics and timelinesTo consider:<ul style="list-style-type: none">Objectives and goals, what are we trying to achieve/change?How can we measure our success?Who else should be included in the conversation?How far-reaching; require marketing funds?What type of plan – focusing on systems advocacy?Advocate to increase resources for all levels of the homelessness spectrum (hotel rooms/shelter/hostels/encampments)	Ongoing	Ongoing	Various	Councillor Andrews – on behalf of Mayor, Council, CAO and staff connecting with MPP, MP	In Progress	Ongoing	None
4.	Affordable Housing	<ul style="list-style-type: none">To assemble a working group to address local gaps in the housing stock i.e. to define affordable housing;Explore opportunities, unique solutions, and incentives for the creation of affordable housing optionsEngage community stakeholders with expertise in housing/real estate and social servicesConduct an environmental scan to create a baseline of the housing needs	Ongoing	Ongoing	Various	Develop a sub-committee	Not started	2025	None