

The Corporation of the County of Hastings

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MOVING IN DAY - HOME FOR GOOD BUILDING OPENS

Hastings County is pleased to announce the opening of the highly anticipated supportive housing building 'Home for Good', located in the City of Belleville.

The project funded by municipal, provincial and federal governments is the first supportive housing model established in Hastings County. The model brings together local community partners to provide housing with support services to 40 residents of Hastings County who are homeless and or at risk of becoming homeless. Community partners include: The John Howard Society, Peer Support South Eastern Ontario, Pathways to Independence, the Belleville and Quinte West Community Health Centre, Canadian Mental Health Association of Hastings Prince Edward, Addictions and Mental Health Services of Hastings Prince Edward and Hastings County.

"On behalf of Hastings County, I would like to thank all those involved in making this project a reality in our community as well as extending our best wishes and congratulations to the residents on their new home," said Warden Rick Phillips.

"The collaboration in creating this model is a testament to the strong relationships Hastings County has developed with our joint partners and partner agencies. Supportive housing will provide a stable and safe place for people to live while they receive the supports they need," he added.

"Hastings County along with our partners at the City of Belleville and Quinte West saw the need for this building and responded with unanimous support for the concept. We are proud of what we have built together," stated Bonnie Adams, Chair of the Joint Community and Human Services Committee.

Additional Information

- 40 unit building broke ground on September 7, 2018 and was project managed by Geertsma Construction (1988) Ltd.
- Hastings County received a total of \$ 6.2 million dollars for the project from the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing and the Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation
- The total cost of the projects was \$ 8.3 million
- An official opening of the building will be held at a later date
- The project addresses a critical need of housing within our local area

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