



## Decision Letter

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### Affordable Housing Committee

<b>Meeting No.</b>	4	<b>Contact</b>	Jennifer Forkes, Committee Administrator
<b>Meeting Date</b>	Thursday, November 26, 2015	<b>Phone</b>	416-392-4666
<b>Start Time</b>	1:30 PM	<b>E-mail</b>	ah@toronto.ca
<b>Location</b>	Committee Room 2, City Hall	<b>Chair</b>	Councillor Ana Bailão

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### Completing Work on New Transitional Housing for Young Victims of Exploitation and Trafficking

#### Committee Decision

The Affordable Housing Committee recommends that:

1. City Council approve \$200,000, in financial assistance from the Capital Revolving Fund for Affordable Housing (XR-1058) toward the repairs of a Toronto Community Housing property to provide transitional housing for young women who are victims of sexual exploitation and human trafficking.
2. City Council grant authority for the Director, Affordable Housing Office, to execute a funding agreement and any other agreements or documents required to give effect to City Council's decision.
3. City Council grant authority to the City Solicitor to execute any documents required to register security for the capital repair funding and to postpone, confirm the status of, and discharge the security when and if necessary.
4. City Council approve a one-time increase in the 2015 Approved Operating Budget for Shelter, Support and Housing Administration (SSHA) of \$200,000.00 gross \$0 net to provide funding for this initiative.

#### Origin

(November 12, 2015) Report from the Director, Affordable Housing Office

#### Summary

In June 2014, City Council approved \$850,000 in capital funding from the Homeless Initiative Reserve Fund for a housing pilot project for young women who are victims of sexual exploitation and human trafficking. Toronto Community Housing (TCH) has partnered with Covenant House Toronto and begun work to renovate a vacant Toronto Community Housing building suitable for housing seven young women and providing the care and support services they need.

Following an extensive review of the work to be completed it was discovered that the heritage

building is without proper foundation supports and that the exterior masonry walls require extensive repair. To complete the project, Toronto Community Housing has requested the City provide an additional \$200,000 in capital funding.

In recognition of the importance of repairing and restoring a vacant Toronto Community Housing property, staff recommend that Council support this request. As part of the due diligence to support the request, a review of the proposed work was completed and an independent third party conducted a peer review of the revised renovation requirements, specifications and budget.

In recognition of the need to protect the safety and security of future residents, the location of the home is treated as a confidential matter in this report.

### **Background Information**

(November 12, 2015) Report and Appendix A from the Director, Affordable Housing Office on Completing Work on New Transitional Housing for Young Victims of Exploitation and Trafficking

(<http://www.toronto.ca/leqdocs/mmis/2015/ah/bqrd/backgroundfile-85808.pdf>)