



# EX34.3.3

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**EX 34.3 Implementing Tenants First - Creating a Seniors Housing Unit at Toronto Community Housing Corporation and Transitioning Towards a Seniors Housing and Services Entity at the City**

Dear Mayor Tory and Committee Members,

CUPE Local 416 would like to acknowledge the City and its management staff for their efforts to address the needs of residents in Seniors Housing units within Toronto Community Housing Corporation outlined in report EX 34.3 Implementing Tenants First - Creating a Seniors Housing Unit at Toronto Community Housing Corporation and Transitioning Towards a Seniors Housing and Services Entity at the City. We have had an opportunity to review the report and its recommendations.

With an aging population and the growing needs of residents within Seniors Housing buildings in TCHC, we would like to express support for the implementation of a Seniors Housing unit within TCHC, and a Transition Team. These recommendations, along with EX34.2 Toronto Seniors Strategy Version 2.0 will allow the City to continue to address the changing needs of our Seniors residents in TCHC by focusing on the integration of the seniors-designated buildings and maximizing resources to continue to put tenants first.

CUPE Local 416 is a strong and important partner with the City of Toronto that provides a number of important public services through its dedicated members, including services to residents in TCHC Seniors Housing. CUPE Local 416 members continue to provide a cost-effective means of administering a "tenants first" approach for those within TCHC units and are pleased to see that the proposed Seniors Housing Unit will seek to address the unique challenges our seniors face. Seniors Housing buildings within TCHC must provide the opportunity for Toronto residents to a good quality of life, along with appropriate supports to address their unique needs.

We wish to continue our productive relationship with our residents in Seniors Housing and the City of Toronto, and request to be part of the proposed Seniors Housing Unit and Transition Team in order to assist the City to "*effectively meet the current and evolving needs of senior residents and communities*".

On behalf of our members, we want to acknowledge the City of Toronto for their renewed commitment to Seniors Housing within TCHC. We look forward to continuing to work together with the City throughout this important transition and implementation of the Tenants First Strategy.

Yours Truly,

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