

# SUPPORTIVE HOUSING IN TORONTO



## Creating affordable homes with supports for people in need at 877 Yonge Street

**There are approximately 7,800 people experiencing homelessness in Toronto. New homes with supports are urgently needed to ensure everyone has a warm, safe place to call home.**

To respond to this urgent need, the City of Toronto has purchased the building at 877 Yonge Street to provide new homes for approximately 250 people and support their health and well-being.

The new homes, which were formerly a seniors' residence, will be:

- Dedicated to women, Indigenous residents, seniors, people with disabilities and people who are experiencing or at risk of homelessness
- Studio and one-bedroom apartments with a bathroom and a kitchen

The building includes amenities such as shared laundry, a dining area, a communal area and programming space.

Identified as a priority in the Housing TO Action Plan, homes with supports provide people in need with good quality, safe, affordable and permanent homes.



## Providing dignity and supporting well-being

The City of Toronto affirms that adequate housing is essential to a person's dignity and worth and that all residents should have an equal opportunity to thrive and develop to their full potential.

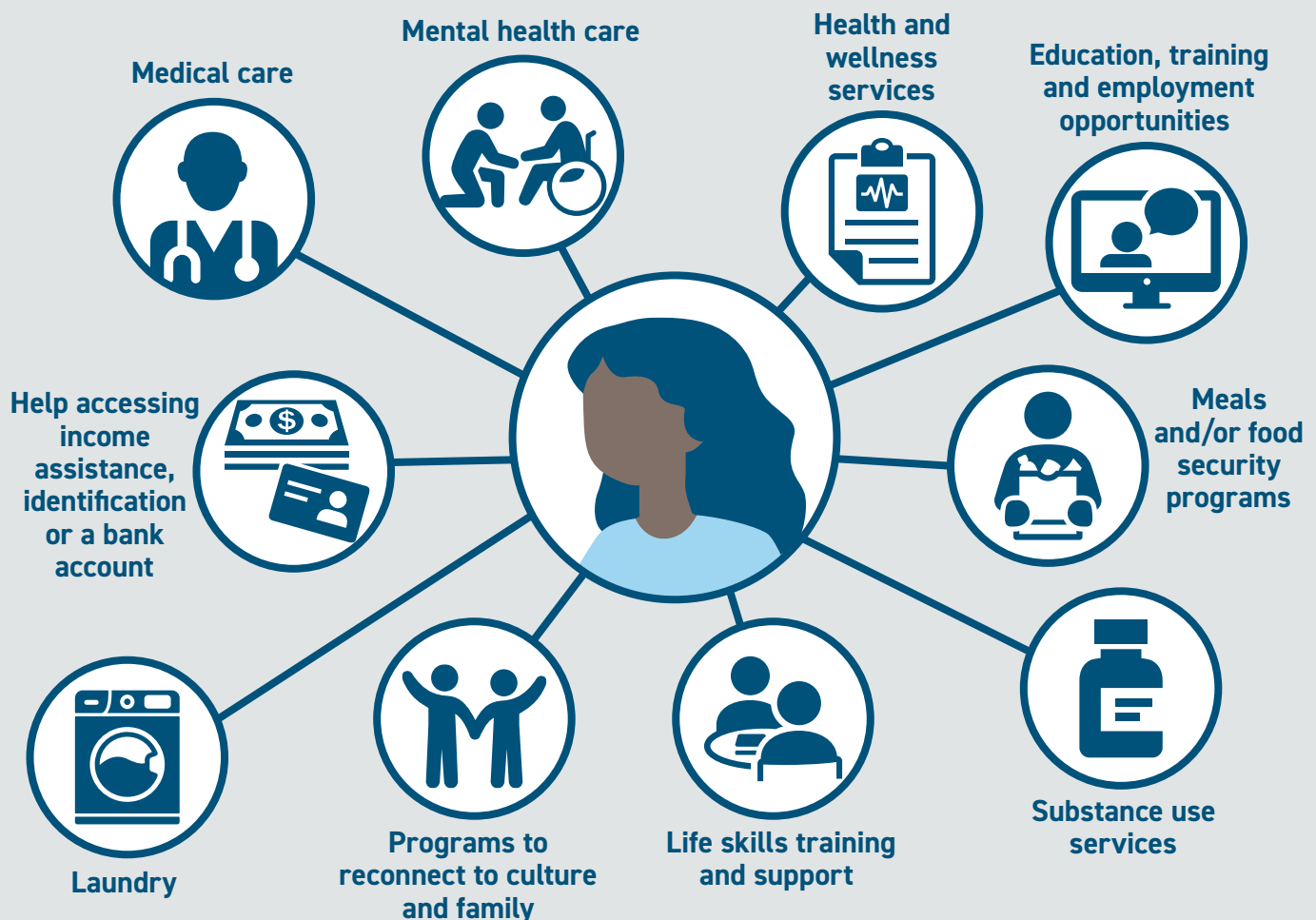
This building will be managed by St. Clare's Multifaith Housing Society, an established non-profit housing provider with experience in the community. St. Clare's will bring their professional building management expertise to 877 Yonge Street, and coordinate supports for residents that meet each individual's unique needs.

Experienced staff will be in the building 24/7 to connect residents to a range of supports provided by the non-profit housing operators, health care professionals and other community-based programs.



St. Clare's Multifaith Housing Society supports people who have experienced homelessness with access to healthy, secure, safe, affordable and diverse housing communities.

## St. Clare's Multifaith Housing Society: connecting residents to services and programs



# Building sustainable and inclusive communities

Providing residents with good quality, affordable housing is the cornerstone of vibrant, healthy neighbourhoods. It also supports the environmental and economic health of the city, the region and the country as a whole.

Bringing people inside means there are fewer people outside struggling to survive. When a person chooses to live in homes with supports, they:

- have a warm, safe place to permanently call home
- can access the necessities of life such as food, washrooms and laundry
- can begin to heal from the damage caused by living outside
- strengthen community connections

**Building homes with supports can offer an opportunity for people to come together and create welcoming, safe and inclusive communities for all.**

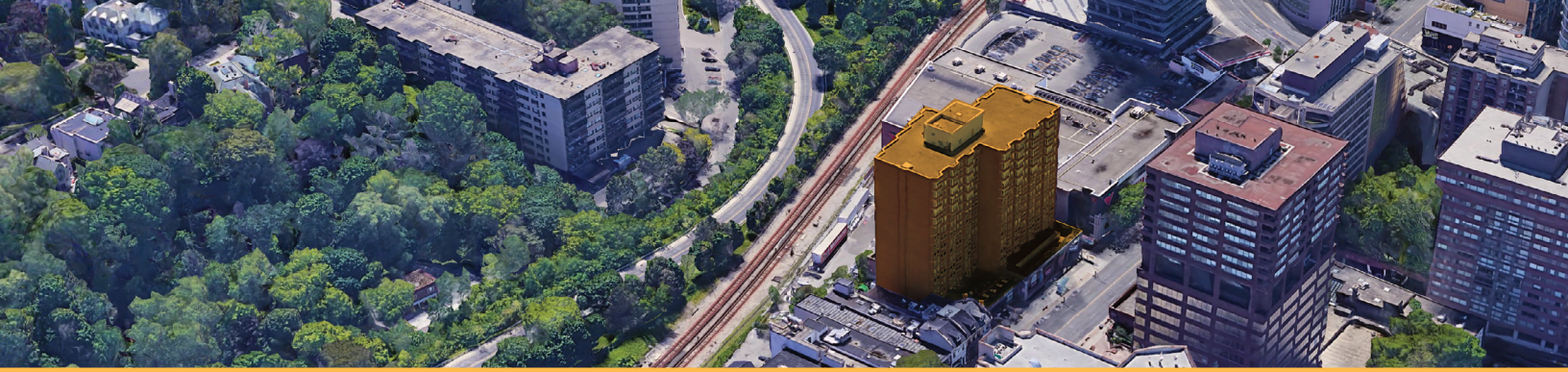


## Working together to address homelessness in our city

Homelessness is a complex challenge that requires everyone's participation including all orders of government, Indigenous communities, people with lived experience of homelessness, persons who are members of equity-seeking groups, service providers, private, non-profit and community groups and neighbours.

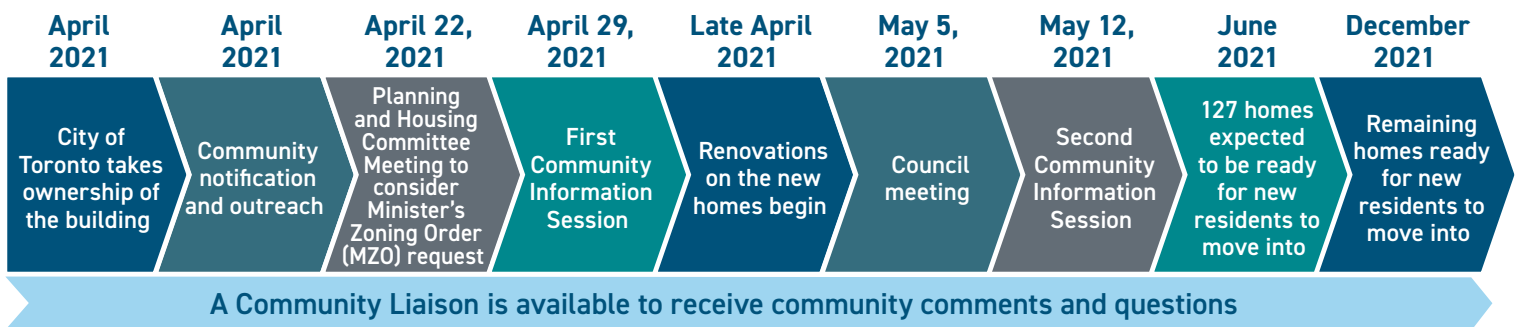
**By working together, we can reduce the number of people experiencing homelessness and help save lives.**





## Moving forward at 877 Yonge Street

The City of Toronto has purchased this building to provide homes with supports for people in need as quickly as possible.



*Dates in the timeline are approximate and subject to change.*

To provide feedback or to ask questions:

### Contact the Community Liaison:

Phone: **437-684-5857**  
(Monday to Friday 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.)

Email: **communityliaison@bigideaspace.ca**

### Contact Councillor Mike Layton's office:

Phone: **416-392-4009**

Email: **councillor\_layton@toronto.ca**

For more information on these new homes, please visit: **[www.toronto.ca/877Yonge](http://www.toronto.ca/877Yonge)**

*These homes are funded as part of the Government of Canada's Rapid Housing Initiative (RHI) which is providing \$1 billion in grant funding nationally. In Toronto, this funding can cover the cost of acquisition of land and construction of modular housing; acquisition of land and existing buildings for the purpose of conversion to affordable housing; and acquisition of land and rehabilitation of housing.*