### SUPPORTIVE HOUSING IN TORONTO







### 150 Dunn Ave – Community Meeting

Wednesday June 16, 2021



### Land Acknowledgement

This site is on the traditional territory of many nations including the Mississaugas of the Credit, the Anishnabeg, the Chippewa, the Haudenosaunee and the Wendat peoples and is now home to many diverse First Nations, Inuit and Métis peoples. We also acknowledge that Toronto is covered by Treaty 13 with the Mississaugas of the Credit.



### Guidelines for respectful dialogue

- We are here tonight to hear from everyone who wants to share their perspective in a safe and respectful way
- The Community Meetings are meant to be safe spaces where people can listen and share
- Discrimination or abusive language of any kind will not be tolerated and will result in a warning, followed by removal from the event



### Today's agenda

- Welcome and introductions
- Taking collective action on homelessness
- Details on the supportive housing proposed at 150 Dunn Ave
- Building modular housing
- Process and timeline
- Supporting the success of the building



### How to participate



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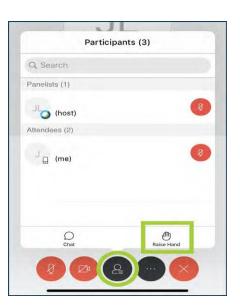
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#### FOR TELEPHONE

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microphone.

Note: This meeting is being recorded.



It takes a community to address homelessness



### Homelessness in Toronto

- There are more than 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

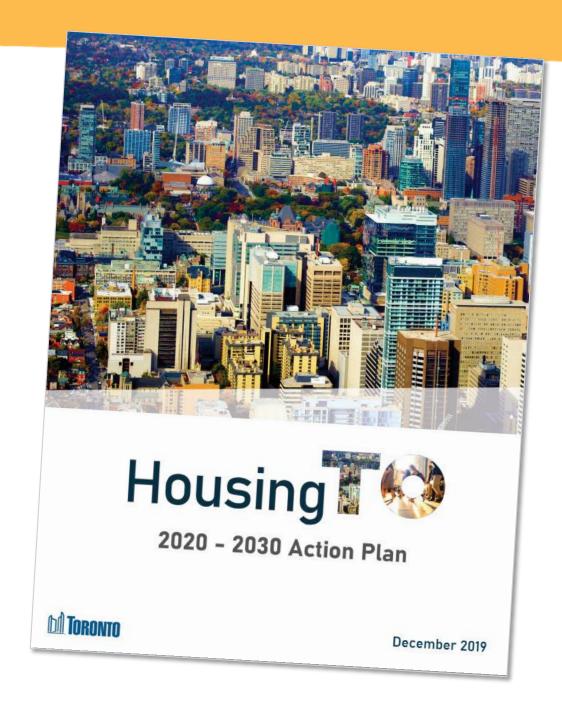






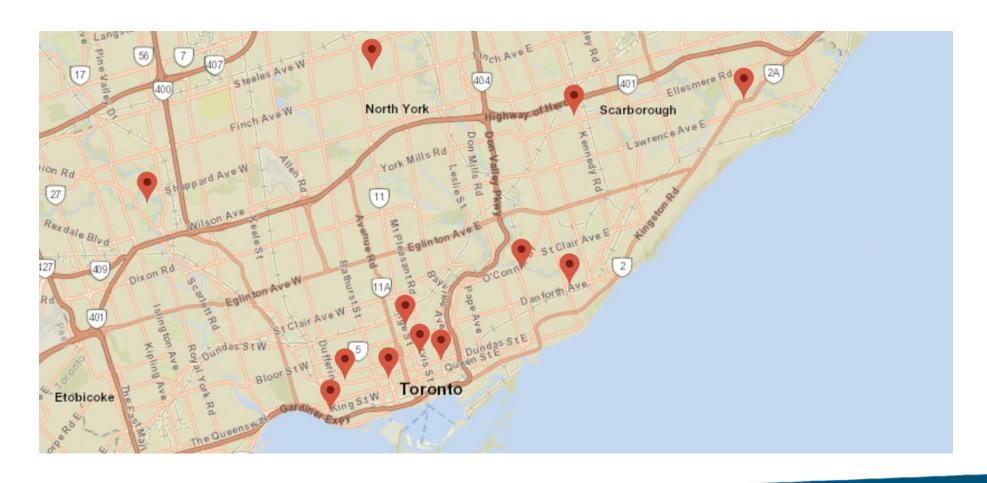


Providing dignity and supporting well-being



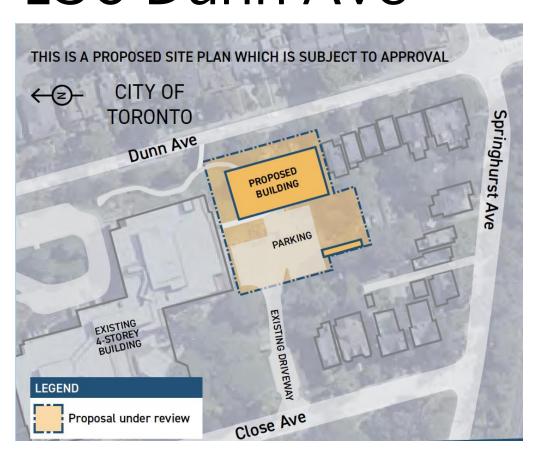


### Increasing the supply of supportive housing





# Creating new homes with supports at 150 Dunn Ave



The City of Toronto is proposing to build modular housing at 150 Dunn Ave to provide new homes for approximately 51 people and support their health and wellbeing.

The site is owned by University Health Network (UHN).



### New warm, safe and permanent rental homes

The new homes will be:

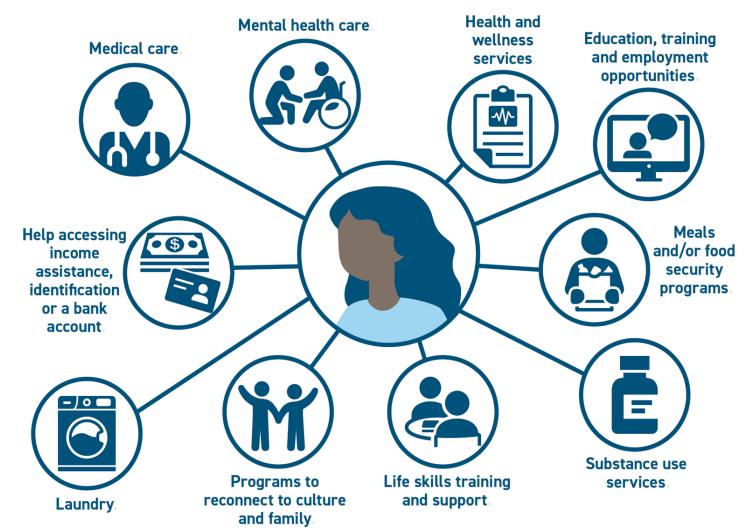
- Dedicated to seniors, women, Indigenous residents, racialized people, people with disabilities and other people who are experiencing or at risk of homelessness.
- Studio apartments with a bathroom and a kitchen.

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



# What is supportive housing?

Supportive housing provides permanent rental homes with support services





### How supportive housing works

- Managed by non-profit housing operators that bring professional building management experience and expertise providing customized supports
- All residents in supportive housing have made a choice to live there, pay rent, and are able to access the supports
- The operator takes care of the residents, the building and the property



# A professional and experienced non-profit Housing Operator

The City will select an experienced non-profit Housing Operator to manage the building at 150 Dunn Ave based on a number of criteria including but not limited to:

- Effective in working with the Councillor and local community
- Experience managing affordable and supportive housing
- Strong track record in tenant engagement/communications
- Experience working with a range of tenants, including marginalized and vulnerable populations.



## Partners in delivering supportive housing at 150 Dunn Ave

Dr. Andrew Boozary, Executive Director, University Health Network

Nation Cheong, Vice President, Community Opportunities and Mobilization, United Way Greater Toronto



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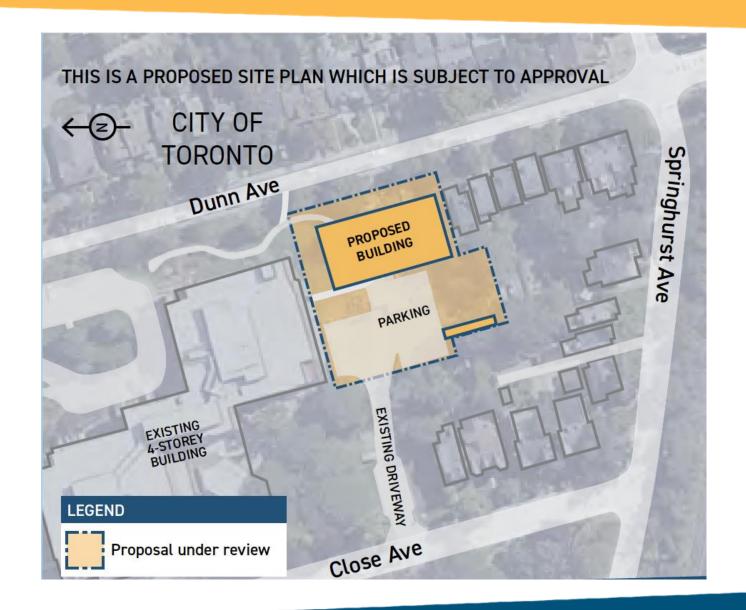
This project is delivered in partnership with all levels of government, the University Health Network (UHN) Gattuso Centre for Social Medicine and the United Way of Greater Toronto (UWGT). The support services model for this site will be developed by UHN's Gattuso Centre for Social Medicine, the City of Toronto and community partners. It will incorporate a range of health and social services to be delivered onsite.



## DISCUSSION



### Proposed Site Plan





### 150 Dunn Ave.







### **Building Modular Housing**

- Modular homes are an innovative and cost-effective way to build small-scale housing
- The homes are built off-site in a factory and transported to the site for assembly
- Construction and installation take approximately eight to ten months, most of which occurs off-site



Construction of modular home at 11 Macey Ave.



## Examples of studio homes in modular buildings across Toronto





Studio home at 321 Dovercourt Rd.

Studio home at 11 Macey Ave.



### Planning Review and Approval Process

#### This proposal requires:

- Relief from the zoning by-law
- Site Plan approval

On June 28<sup>th</sup> Planning and Housing Committee will consider a staff report recommending Council endorse a request in principle to the Province to make a Minister's Zoning Order to address any necessary zoning changes. Council will consider this report on July 14<sup>th</sup>.

#### What is an MZO?

A Minister's Zoning Order (MZO) enables the Minister to regulate land use on specific lands and has been used to expedite time-sensitive projects.



### Timeline



A Community Liaison is available to receive community comments and questions



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# Coming together to support the success of the building

- Building homes with supports can offer an opportunity for people to come together and create welcoming, safe and inclusive communities for all.
- By working together, we can reduce the number of people experiencing homelessness and help save lives.







Local artists created a "healing and playful atmosphere" by installing custom designed artwork to welcome residents to their new homes.



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### Thank you

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For more information on these new homes, please visit:

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