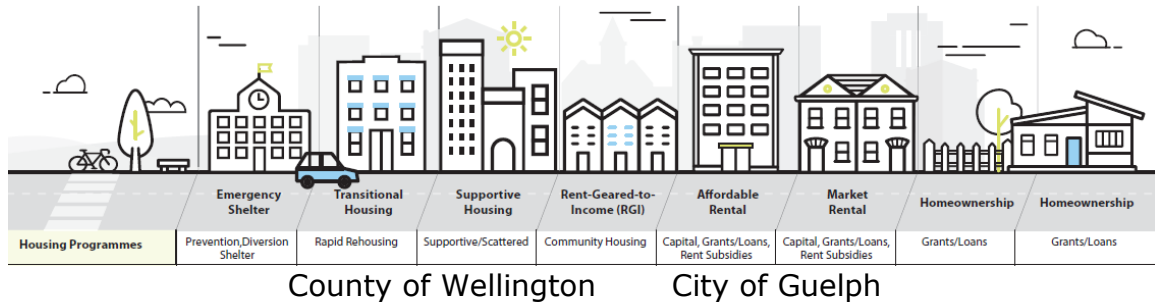


**Attachment-1  
Housing Continuum and Glossary of Housing Terms**

**HOUSING CONTINUUM**

Guelph-Wellington



**Glossary of Housing Terms**

**Emergency Shelter (Housing)** – facilities providing temporary, short-term accommodation for people experiencing homelessness or those in crisis. Basic supports, like meals and hygiene supplies are offered.

**Transitional Housing** – provides access to housing that is time limited and serves to promote housing stability. This housing is an intermediate step between emergency crisis shelter and permanent housing. It provides a safe, supportive environment where residents can overcome trauma, begin to address the issues that led to homelessness or kept them homeless, and begin to rebuild their support network.

**Supportive Housing/ Permanent Supportive Housing** - without limits on the length of stay, this housing combines independent housing options with common spaces while also providing access to individualized, flexible and voluntary supports. Support services could include social services, health supports, provision of meals, social and recreational activities with a focus on addressing needs and maintaining housing stability. Supports are typically provided by on-site staff and can be accessed 24 hours / 7 days a week.

**Rent-Geared-to-Income** – subsidized housing in which the rent is determined by income. These subsidized rents are generally about 30 per cent of gross monthly household income. The County of Wellington manages these subsidies through federal, provincial, and municipal funding.

**Affordable Housing** – housing units that can be owned or rented by a household with shelter costs (rent or mortgage, utilities, etc.) that are less than 30 per cent of its gross monthly household income. Additionally, the Canadian Mortgage and Housing Corporation requires that units be offered at least at 80 per cent of the median market rental rate for a minimum of 20 years.