



Right to Housing Coalition

Call to Action for Winnipeg Municipal Election Candidates

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The [Right to Housing Coalition](#) has released its call to action for municipal election candidates. This is a list of actions that City Council must take to begin to address the affordable housing crisis in Winnipeg. Our coalition wants all candidates to prioritize the creation of truly affordable housing and understand the tools our city government can use to make this happen!

In 2020, the City completed its Comprehensive Housing Needs Assessment. Over 1,500 Winnipeggers are without homes, and 34,000 families are in core housing need, spending over 30% of their income on housing. In 2021, The City of Winnipeg made affordable housing a pillar in its first ever Poverty Reduction Strategy.

Having articulated the need and identified measures to undertake, the City must act now to address the housing crisis by dedicating sufficient resources. Leadership from our Mayor and Councillors is critical to make this happen.

The Right to Housing Coalition is calling for:

- No Net Loss Policy to protect existing low rent housing in Winnipeg.
- Reclaim the hundreds of vacant properties and housing units
- Investment in new rent-geared-to-income (RGI) units
- An Affordable Housing Office to facilitate & prioritize affordable housing development

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The Right to Housing Coalition is Winnipeg-based group of individuals and 57 organizations concerned about the shortage of affordable (including social) housing. The Coalition recommends housing policies and programs to three orders of government that would result in decent housing for all.

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