# Let's Open Doors: How Faith Communities Can Lead in Housing Solutions

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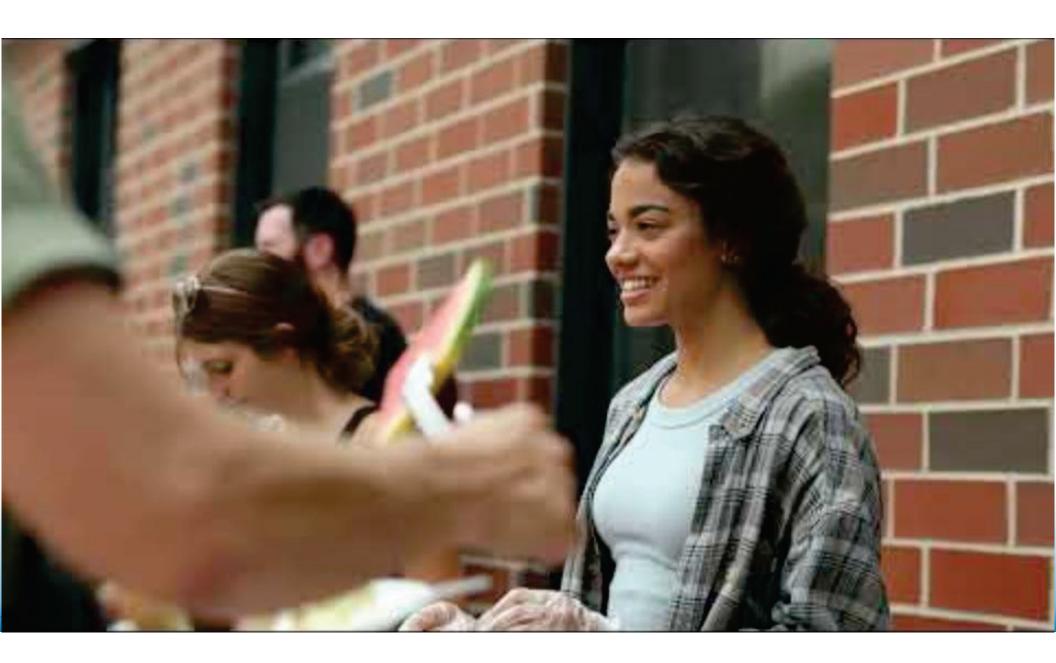


## **About Us**

For 50 years, Indwell has been providing **supportive housing** that transforms lives.

Every door we open together becomes a **solution to homelessness**.





# **Core Values**



We value the inherent **dignity** of all people as image bearers of God.



We live out our Christian calling to **love** our neighbours as ourselves.



**Hope** is the foundation of all our actions.

HOPE AND HOMES FOR ALL

**Our Vision** 





### **About Us**

- Support over 1,300 people in seven
   regions across Southern and Southwestern
   Ontario—with several projects currently
   under construction or pre-development.
- Empower tenants to achieve health and wellness goals, and to constructively engage with their communities.



## **Our Mission**

Indwell is a Christian charity that creates affordable housing communities that support people seeking health, wellness and belonging.

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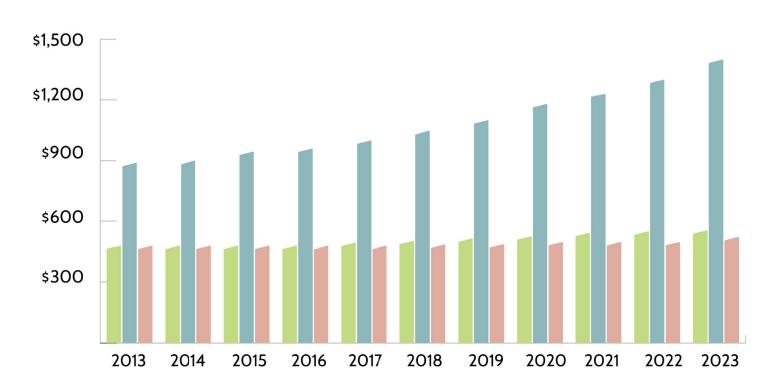




# The Challenge

- More people are unhoused.
- "Affordable" housing initiatives exclude people below the poverty line
- A worsening opioid crisis.





<sup>\*</sup> Ontario median for a one-bedroom apartment (source: CMHC Rental Market Data Tables, 2022) – 2023 is estimated

INDWELL VS. MARKET RENT

**INDWELL RENT** 

MARKET RENT\*

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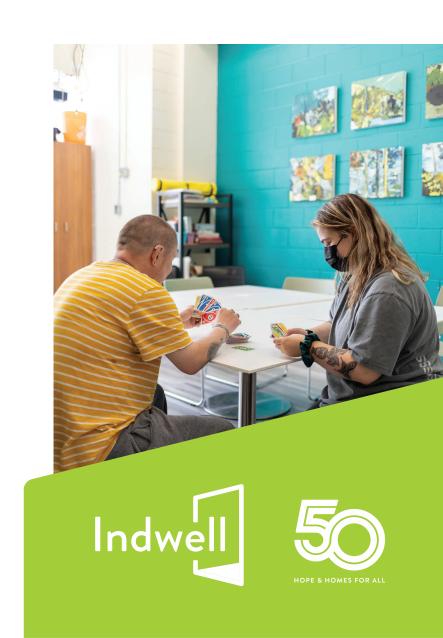


<sup>\*\*</sup> OSDP shelter allowance

# **Our Solution**

#### **REAL AFFORDABILITY**

- Rent reflects income
- Long term stability
- Low utility costs













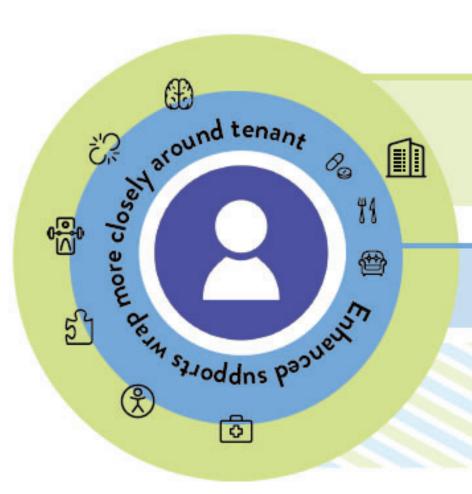


# **Our Solution**

#### **HOUSING WITH SUPPORTS**

- Nursing
- Food security
- Life skills training
- Recreation
- Addictions support
- "Knowable" communities





#### STANDARD

#### Me Housing Support:

- · 24/7 on-call support
- apartment checks
- · pest management
- · peer-initiated supports
- · harm reduction services

#### **ENHANCED**

- Furnished Apartments
- Addictions
- Behavioural Therapy
- Nursing
- Recreationist
- 5 Psychosocial
  - Therapeutic Rehabilitation

# **Our Solution**

#### **INNOVATING FOR THE FUTURE**

- Leader in Passive House development
- Lowering our carbon emissions
- Empowered conservation







# **Our Solution**

#### PROPERTY MANAGEMENT EXCELLENCE

- Relational landlords
- Proactive maintenance
- Safe and secure buildings





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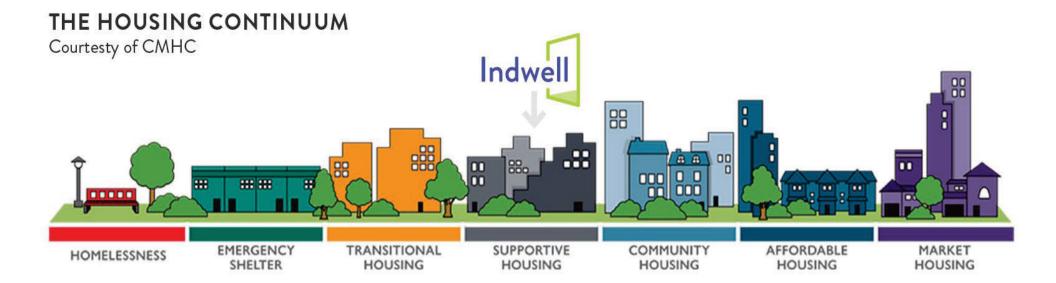


Affordability

Community







Hambleton Hall, Simcoe (Norfolk County)

Surplus Sunday School Ha

- St James United Church

Opened 2016

40 apartments



# North End Landing, Hamilton

- Growing church
- Opened 2020
- 45 apartments 1bedroom apartments on 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> floors
- Partnership with James North Baptist Church



# St. Mark's Place, Kitchener

- Excess property following merger of three Lutheran Churches
- Sold to Indwell at half market value
- Opened 2023
- 40 apartments



# Magnolia Apartments, Kitchener

- Partnership with St.
   Peter's Lutheran Church
- Church retaining ownership; leasing to Indwell to operate
- Opening fall 2025
- 40 apartments



# Stonehouse Apartments, Hamilton

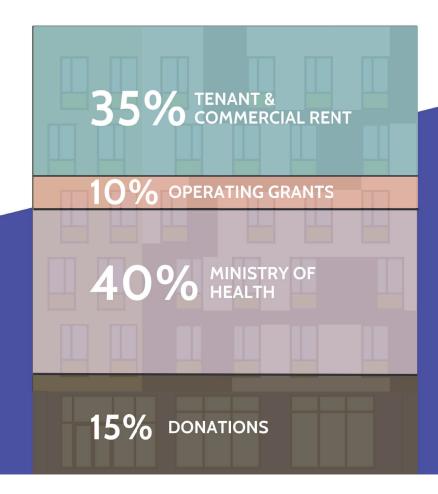
- Struggling church Wentworth Baptist Church
- Indwell purchased property with a Vendor Take-Back Mortgage
- Construction to begin late 2025
- Church will continue to use former sanctuary





# Funding Indwell's Programs



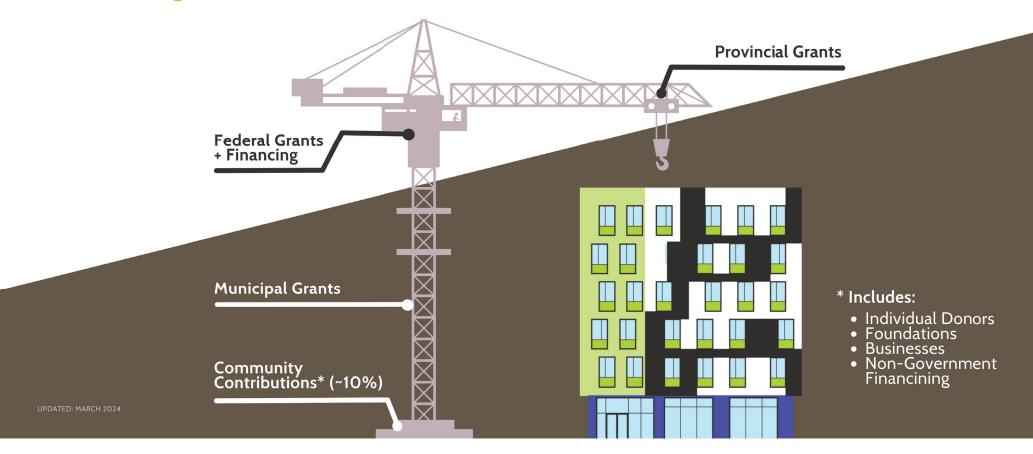


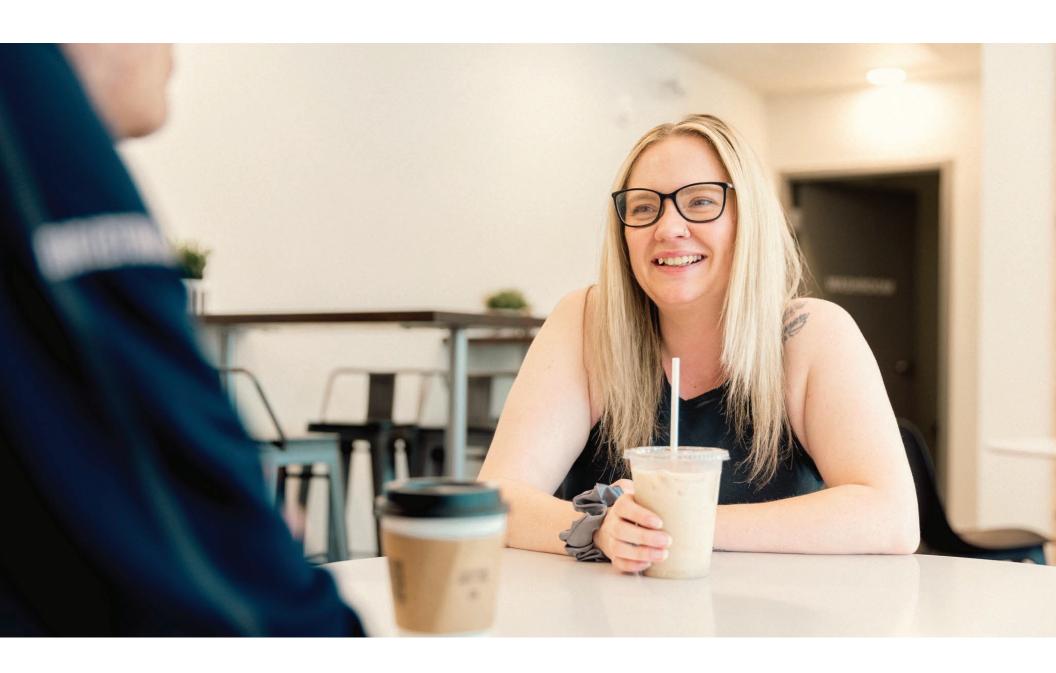
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# **Funding New Construction**



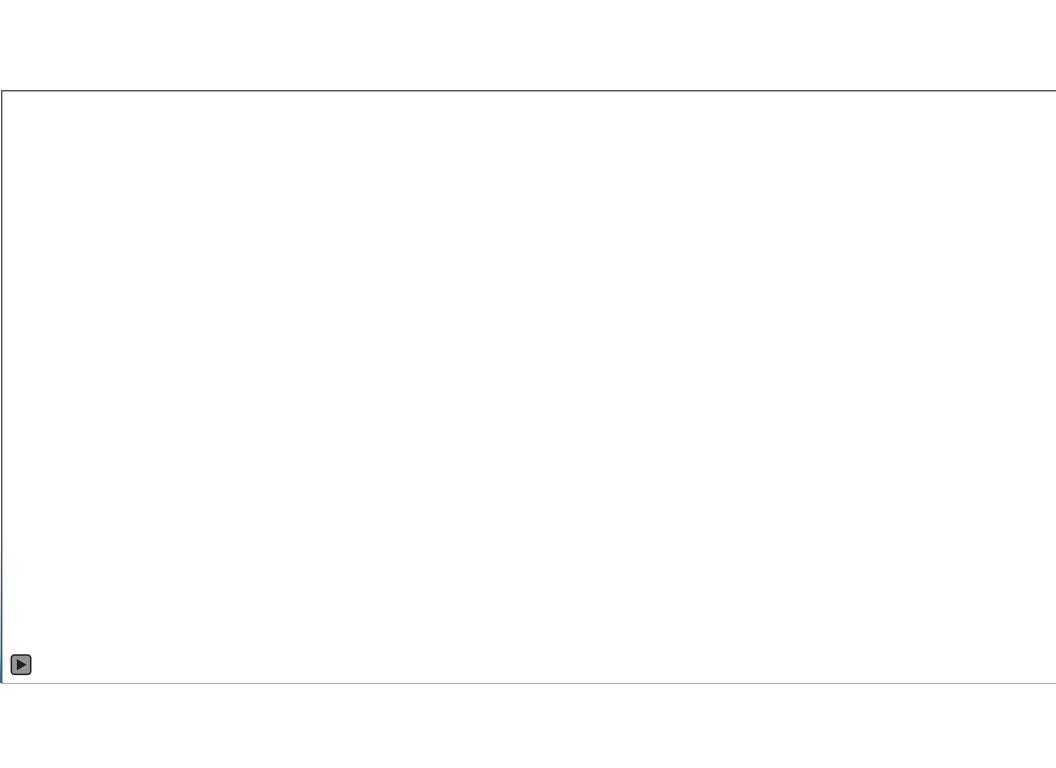






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