

Committee: **London & Middlesex Housing Corporation**

Organization/Sector represented:

Name: **Kathy Kaill**

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**601-587 Talbot Street**

Occupation: **Program Coordinator, High Demand Occupations**

Work experience: **I currently work with youth in London and Strathroy. I provide weekly life and work skills workshops and find them an 18 week work placement. I also support the youth and employers during the work placement.**

Education: **I have a Bachelor of Journalism and a Certificate in Nonprofit & Voluntary Sector Management.**

Skills: **I have served as President and Treasurer of the board at Mary Campbell Housing Co-operative and President of the board at Westminster Housing Co-operative. I currently sit on the Housing Advisory Committee for Youth Opportunities Unlimited and am Chair of the Finance Committee at Mary Campbell Housing Co-operative. Although much of my knowledge is based around Federal Co-operatives, a great deal of the knowledge is transferable to London & Middlesex Housing Corporation.**

Interest reason: **I feel I have a passion for affordable housing initiatives as well as an understanding of the issues of poverty. I feel I can contribute and support solutions for affordable housing.**

Contributions: **Through lived experience in a community that offers RGI, and through experience gained being on boards of housing co-operatives, I feel I could bring a unique perspective on how to build a community atmosphere.**

Past contributions: **At Mary Campbell Co-operative, we recently finished our mortgage agreement with CMHC, which resulted in the loss of our subsidy grant from the government. Through research and presentations, I was able to bring forward choices for the residents around the issue of continuing subsidy. I was able to outline the pros and cons of continuing to offer subsidies. With the knowledge given, members overwhelmingly agreed to continue offering subsidy through their own housing charges.**

Interpersonal: **I consider myself a very open-minded person. With my past experience on boards, I have gained a respect for various skills, abilities and perspectives. I respect the democratic principal and feel it enhances the outcome of discussions and decisions.**

Interview interest: **Yes**