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Subject: [EXTERNAL] London Budget

Phil
Squire

Councillor, Ward
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London, Ontario

Dear Mr. Squire,

As you participate in the planning of the 2020-2023 budget, I want to voice my desire that housing and homelessness be made a priority.

It is my understanding that three key investments are currently being considered but at this point are not recommended for funding.

These are:

- 1) "Additional funding for affordable housing - Part B"
- 2) London Middlesex Community Housing regeneration
- 3) London Middlesex Community Housing staffing and security

The **first two items** allow for the **creation** of more affordable housing stock, the **third item** allows for **supporting people** already in social housing to remain housed. I believe that these are key investments and must be added into the budget.

Our hospitals along with our university and college make for a city that is a hub for healthcare and research. It's my hope that our city takes the necessary steps to become a progressive and creative leader in providing affordable housing and dealing with homelessness.

Thank you for your consideration in this matter.

Sincerely,

Jacques Parent