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Good afternoon,

I'd like to formally request Delegation Status for the CPSC meeting on February 1<sup>st</sup>

My name is Jon DeActis and I am the Executive Director at the Centre of Hope London.

I understand that at the CPSC meeting there will be discussion regarding the budget and RFP process that the Emergency Shelters and Housing Stability bank just went through. I would like to speak to this process and to our two programs here at the Centre of Hope. Over the past years, there has been very little extra financial stability to these programs, and I would like to speak to this matter. Increases in funding for programs such as shelters does not seem to be on the list of the budget and actually funding is decreased due to the downloading of costs on the service providers. This past year was no different as the RFP process made it very difficult for organizations to even make ends meet without putting costs back on to the folks (homeless or in poverty) who utilize the services. There is an assumption that because the Salvation Army is a large organization, it can continue to put more back into the programs by seeking donor funding, this is simply not true.

I would like to speak to this committee about the disconnects of the budget and the actual workings of the programs while they are discussing the budget for 2022-2023