



City of London  
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February 17, 2023

Dear Mayor Morgan and Council Members:

In a community where everyone matters, we all look after one another.

United Way Elgin Middlesex is pleased to provide a letter of support for the Health & Homelessness Whole of Community System Response that will provide a people-centred, housing-centric system co-designed by caring Londoners across a variety of sectors, which can be actioned and resourced immediately, in order to support the most marginalized in our community.

This work is as a result of a community-wide commitment to find new ways of working together to address this crisis, with widespread acknowledgement that this is a time when the challenges can't be fully addressed by any one agency, by any single focused collaborative, or by any one sector alone.

We are encouraged by the City's efforts to create a whole-of-community system response. It is a vital step in tackling the city's homelessness crisis and creating lasting system change. As we have heard clearly in the summit meetings, it is not a matter of if we should move forward with the system, rather how we will do it, together.

United Way Elgin Middlesex strongly urges City Council to act in favour of this work by supporting this community plan and supporting the allocation of London Community Recovery Network funding to initiate implementation.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

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Kelly Ziegner  
President & CEO