



The Corporation of the City of Cornwall
Regular Meeting of Council
Report

Department: Social and Housing Services
Division: Social Services
Report Number: 2019-201-Social and Housing Services
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Meeting Date: October 28, 2019
Subject: Harvest Maternity Home by Compassion Care Centre, Letter of Support

Purpose

To provide Council with information regarding the proposed Compassion Care Maternity Home and request a letter of support.

Recommendation

That council sign a letter of support in principle for the Compassion Care Maternity Home

Strategic Priority Implications

Pillar 1 Quality of Life

Background / Discussion

The City of Cornwall has been approached to provide a letter of support for a Cornwall Compassion Centre Maternity Home.

The Cornwall Compassion Centre is a not-for-profit corporation founded in 2007 to service needs in the City of Cornwall and the Counties of Stormont, Dundas, and Glengarry, as well as Akwesasne.



The Cornwall Compassion Centre is proposing the creation of a maternity home in Cornwall to serve eighteen (18) mothers and their children from Cornwall, the Counties of Stormont, Dundas, and Glengarry, and Akwesasne

According to the EOHU, in 2017 alone, 360 HBHC prenatal screens were completed to identify high risk families. Of those, 56.7% were identified as high risk.

In 2016, there were 2,835 Lone-Parent families in the City of Cornwall. Of those, 2,285 were Lone-Female Parents.

The EOHU indicates that social determinants of health such as access to education and improved socioeconomic conditions are only but a few of the benefits that this maternity home could provide to help reduce the negative impact of health inequities experienced by this population, and help these families achieve their full potential.

The Compassion Centre Maternity Home has provided several letters of support from various community agencies.

The Compassion Centre Maternity Home will be submitting these letters of support to the province in hopes of securing funding for the project.

No financial support is being requested from the City of Cornwall.

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Attachments:	- Proposal Overview Cornwall Compassion Centre Maternity Home.docx
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This report and all of its attachments were approved and signed as outlined below:

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