



**“My people will live in peaceful dwelling places,  
in secure homes, in undisturbed places of rest.”  
Isaiah 32:18**

The United Church of Canada believes every person living in Canada deserves a safe and affordable place to live that meets their needs. Such housing is a fundamental human right. As people of faith, we are called to act justly and advocate for those who face housing challenges.

The mission of the EOORC Housing Matters Network is to be a forum for the exchange of information about housing issues around the region—spanning the inner city to rural locations – and sharing ideas and resources about how we as a church can be responsive to these issues.

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### **Housing Matters’ key areas of interest:**

1. Building a circle of connection among EOORC church leaders and members with an interest in housing issues including collaborating with other EOORC networks where appropriate;
2. Maintaining a list of available resources, partners and contacts regarding housing issues;
3. Developing communication processes to disseminate housing related information that could include the EOORC website, newsletters, and social media platforms such as Facebook;
4. Acting, where feasible, as a Christian advocacy group on behalf of housing issues within the wider church and to relevant political bodies;

Future areas of interest:

5. Holding online meetings to share experiences about specific housing issues we are facing and engaging in theological reflection about how our Christian tradition calls us to care about housing matters;
6. Hosting annual online webinars with an invited speaker to talk about a specific housing issue, initiative, research project or resource;
7. Taking on occasional projects related to a specific housing issue.

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### **How Housing Matters Works:**

The work of Housing Matters is carried out by a team of volunteers who share the work of operating the network. Housing Matters has no operating budget. Speakers who require a speaker fee will be supported by the EOORC social justice budget.

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