

LANARK COUNTY **HOP** Housing Options Program

The Housing Options Program Fund is available to assist people experiencing homelessness obtain and retain housing or people at risk of homelessness to remain housed.

Assistance Available:

- ◇ Maximum of \$750.00 once per calendar year

Eligibility Requirements:

- ◇ Must be a Lanark County/Town of Smiths Falls resident with an annual income below the Household Income Limits (HILS)

1 Person	2 Persons	3-4 Persons	5+ Persons
\$31,000	\$ 37,500	\$43,000	\$ 51,500

- ◇ Household assets must not exceed \$1,000; all liquid assets of the applicant/household must be disclosed and verified. Liquid assets which will be required for monthly expenses (rent & utilities) are exempt for this procedure
- ◇ Applications must relate to a housing situation which is sustainable in the long term and housing costs must not exceed 85% of available income
- ◇ Only to be used if it is going to solve the individual's current shelter problem
- ◇ Must be experiencing high energy arrears that have become an "emergency" that could lead to disconnection, or the household has exhausted their fuel supply and does not have the means to replenish as well as expenses like: rent, home clean up, hotel/motel stay, assistive devices, and moving costs.

To Apply:

- ◇ Ontario Works clients contact their Caseworker
- ◇ Low Income applicants contact Social Housing Department

Social Housing Department

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