



February 22, 2022

Alex Cullen, President

Federation of Citizens' Associations of Ottawa
207 Bank St., Suite 146
Ottawa K2P 2N2

RE: Ontario Affordable Housing Task Force Report

Dear Mr. Cullen,

The Hunt Club Community Association would like to ask the Federation of Citizen's Associations of Ottawa (FCA) to provide feedback to the Provincial Government regarding the Affordable Housing Task Force Report.

As a community association representing an area that offers a variety of housing options, including several Ottawa Community Housing properties, senior living care homes, co-ops, condominiums, and high-rises, and which houses a large proportion of low-income families, some members have concerns with many of the recommendations contained in the report.

The main concern of many of our members is that the report makes several recommendations aimed at removing the ability of community associations to participate in the development of their own neighbourhoods and to make the process less accessible. In various media reports, the task force admits that they were not focused on "affordable" housing but on ways to help developers build faster, cheaper and with less "red tape".

Many members of the Hunt Club Community Association are very concerned that if the recommendations in the report are implemented, our community will lose its voice and ability to help create the community we want. We understand that we are in a housing crisis, but the main issue is affordability, and while this report looks at supply, it does not go far enough, and offers no real solutions to make housing affordable.

We look forward to working with you on this very important topic that will affect all communities in our City.

Kind regards,

Peter Brimacombe,
President, Hunt Club Community Association