Building Communities: The Role of Community Housing in City Building

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Community Housing



Critical Role of Housing Programs

Supplement.

Housing programs occupy a critical role in Alberta's housing spectrum, which is demonstrated by the demand we are seeing. Below are the housing programs in Alberta:

Seniors Lodges **Affordable Housing Supportive living** supports low-toaccommodations. moderate income **Provincial - Municipal** households that **Partnership with** cannot obtain housing providers requisitioning at market rates. respective **Rent Supplement** municipalities. Community Direct subsidy to help Housing make rent more Mix of single family affordable. 3 types: Rental homes, apartments & Assistance Benefit (RAB), townhomes where rent **Temporary Rental** is geared to income **Assistance Benefit (TRAB)** (RGI) at 30% household & Private Landlord Rent

Seniors
Self-Contained

Apartment style
living for seniors
who can live
independently.

Specialized
Housing
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Accommodations for targeted populations (including Indigenous people, people with disabilities, transitional housing for Albertans experiencing homelessness or fleeing family violence).

income.

Stronger Foundations



Strategy Release

Focused on expanding affordable housing & developing an asset strategy
Support up to 82k households
Redesigned rent supplement in 2021
Launched Find Housing Tool online tool



Building Partnerships

Launch of the Affordable Housing
Partnership Program
Developed the Affordable Housing
Asset Management Framework



Growth & Expansion

Budget 2024 Investments included: \$125 million for 30 AHPP Projects Changes to Social Housing Accommodation Regulation (SHAR)



Recent Progress

Launch of the Seniors Lodge Review 35 Asset Transfers Finalizing 3 year asset transfer plan Since 2021, invested in 3300 units; 1600 completed/open, 1200 committed, 400 under construction



Next Steps

Capital Maintenance Strategy
Tenant Supports
Continuation on mixed models work

2021

2022

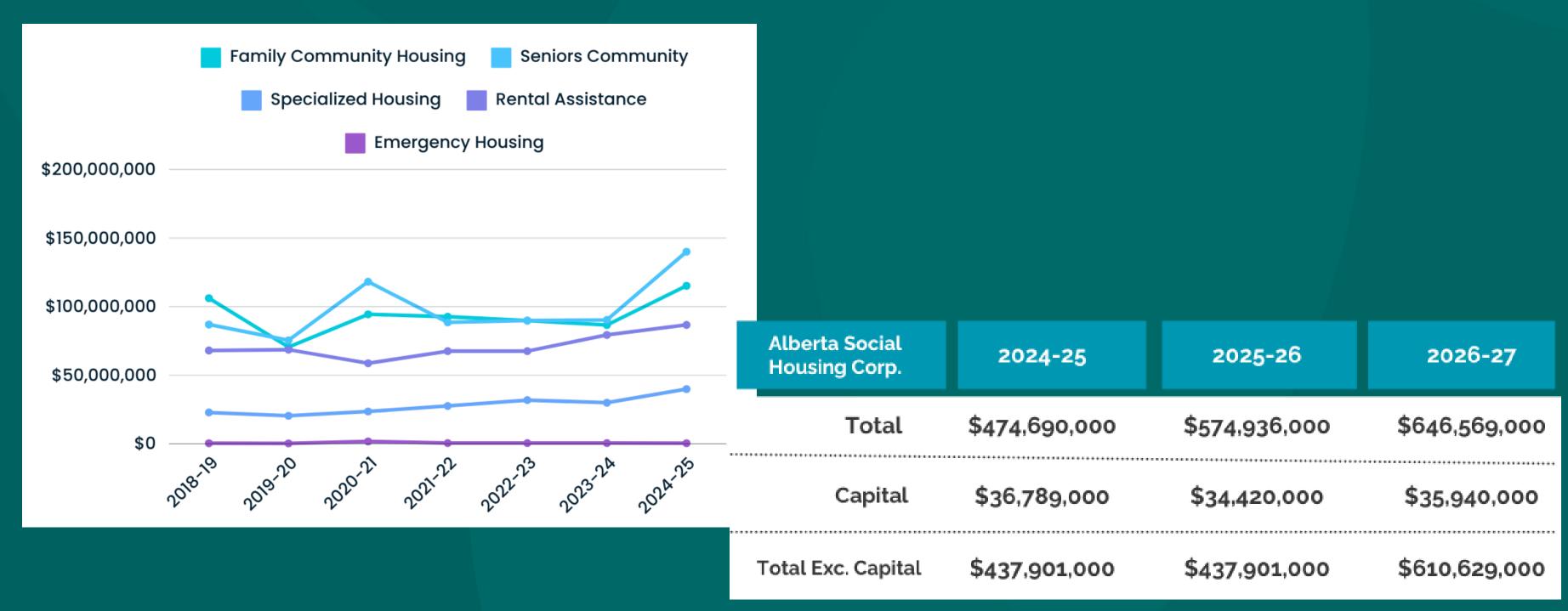
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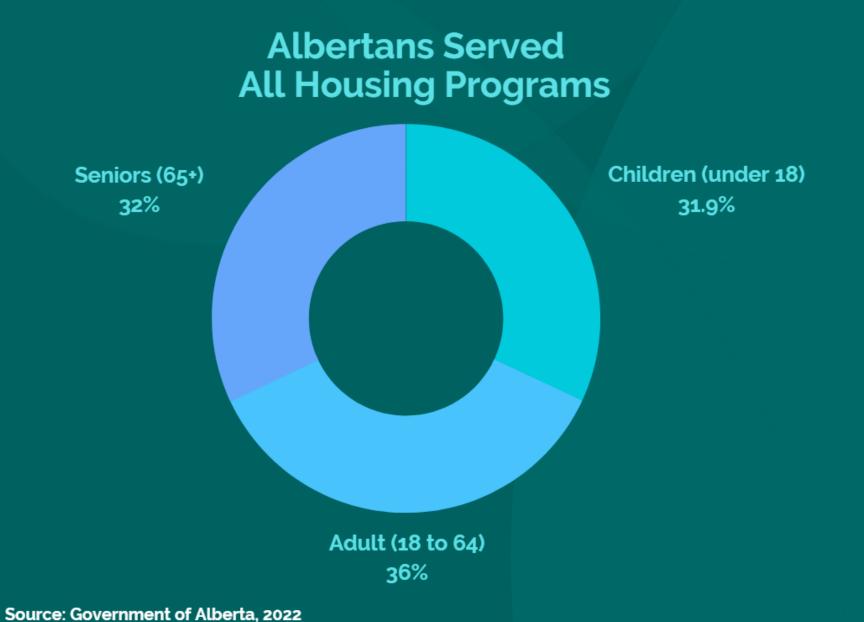


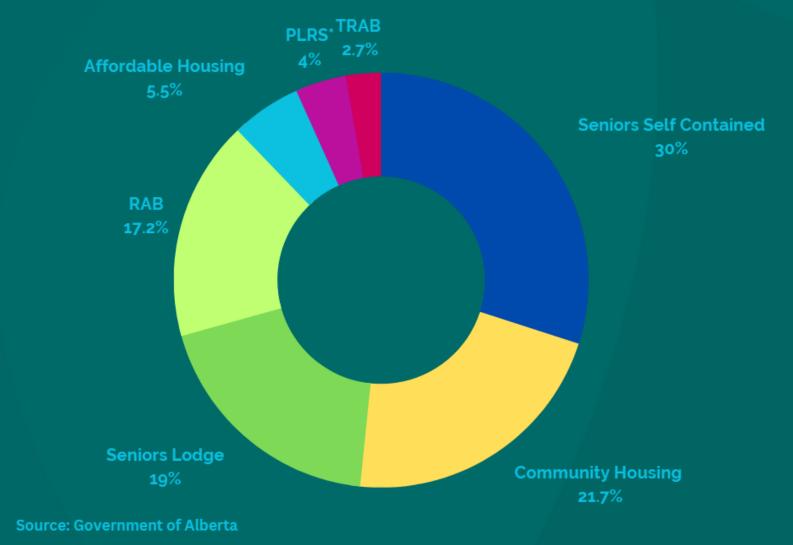
2024 Budget Impacts on Housing





Households by Program - 2022





RAB: Rental Assistance Benefit

TRAB: Temporary Rental Assistance Benefit

PLRS: Private Landlord Rent Supplement

Challenges



Some Proposed Solutions

- Index operational funding for Alberta Social Housing Corporation (ASHC) units
- Increase capital maintenance and renewal funding to address the backlog of repairs to ASHC units and extend to lodges owned by Housing Management Bodies
- Implement an Alberta Seniors Transition Tax Credit to incentivize seniors to live in congregate settings
- Substantially increase capital funding for new builds and acquisitions with a focus on longer-term planning
- Invest in tenant supports to help address the support needs of tenants
- 24/7 home care in seniors' congregate living settings

