



EASTERN ONTARIO LANDLORD ORGANIZATION

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EOLO commends Jim Watson's housing policy calls on other candidates to address housing and homelessness

The Eastern Ontario Landlord Organization (EOLO) commends Jim Watson for his policy to address homelessness and affordable housing, which was announced on Oct 3.

Jim Watson's policy addresses three key needs to reduce homelessness and improve the housing situation of low-income residents in Ottawa:

- social service supports and supportive housing
- making existing rental housing more affordable through rent supplements
- fixing existing social housing

Jim Watson's program is balanced and to be funded through an identified revenue stream. As such the program appears to be achievable. EOLO Chair, John Dickie, says, "Jim Watson's program takes advantage of the existing rental supply, and the strengths of the private rental sector as well as the social and supportive housing sectors."

EOLO calls on the other mayoralty candidates to identify what they will do to address homelessness and housing affordability in Ottawa.

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EOLO represents the owners and managers of more than 36,000 residential rental suites in Ottawa. The voice of private landlords in Ottawa since 1990, EOLO's members include some of the largest landlords in Ontario, as well as many small and medium size landlords.