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Dear MLA Tredger,

RE: Response to Committee of the Whole questions raised April 23, 2026

Thank you for your questions raised during Committee of the Whole on April 23, 2026, regarding Yukon Housing. Responses to the topics raised, including the Whitehorse Housing Co-operative, employee housing, Kaushee's Place and the allocation policy, are provided below.

Whitehorse Housing Co-operative

Whitehorse Housing Co-operative is a not-for-profit housing co-operative that provides housing for its members in Whitehorse. The co-operative has 12 units that are a mix of cost recovery rentals and affordable housing options. The co-operative is governed by a Board of Directors, and the members work together to manage the properties.

Yukon Housing Corporation (YHC) partners with Whitehorse Housing Co-operative through a rent supplement arrangement that supports affordable housing opportunities for eligible households. Under this arrangement, YHC pays the agreed monthly housing charge for participating units, and households pay rent geared to income based on program eligibility.

The agreement with YHC provides funding for up to six units, with five units currently receiving assistance, as one unit is not currently suitable for occupancy.

Employee housing rental rates

Yukon government employee housing rental rates are determined differently from the way in which rents are calculated under YHC's rent-geared-to-income housing program. Employee housing rents are not based on a percentage of income.

Under GAM 3.30 – Employee Housing Policy, rents are set at market rates established by YHC. Rental rates vary by unit type, size and community. These rates are informed by Yukon Bureau of Statistics data and adjusted in line with increases outlined in the Yukon Employees' Union and the Yukon Association of Education Professionals collective agreements.

Examples of monthly rent currently in effect for employee housing units include:

- bachelor unit in Mayo: approximately \$700 per month;
- one-bedroom unit in Dawson City: approximately \$900 per month;
- two-bedroom unit in Watson Lake: approximately \$1,200 per month; and
- three-bedroom detached unit in Old Crow: approximately \$1,700 per month.

Utilities costs may be included in the tenants' rent or charged separately depending on the unit. As discussed during Committee of the Whole, YHC is increasing employee housing options in communities through new construction and partnership initiatives. YHC is also working with the Public Service Commission to review the related policy, and with departments and partners to explore solutions that reflect community realities and workforce needs.

Kaushee's Place

Kaushee's Place is a not-for-profit organization that operates a 24-unit shelter/rental housing project. The Society provides shelter in Whitehorse for the benefit of women and gender diverse people who are victims of violence.

YHC contributes supplements that are equal to the difference between eligible annual operating costs and project revenues for the designated units. Through this approach, YHC funds the operating deficit of the society to ensure that all available units in Kaushee's Place continue to provide shelter for those in need.

YHC is committed to continuing to support women and gender diverse people seeking shelter from violence. Partnerships with organizations like Kaushee's Place play a critical role in providing support.

Allocation Policy

In Whitehorse, RGI housing allocations are structured as follows: 60 per cent of units are allocated through the priority stream based on a severity-of-need assessment; 20 per cent are allocated through the By-Name List via the Coordinated Housing Access Team; and the

remaining 20 per cent are allocated through the affordability stream on a first-come, first-served basis. In communities outside of Whitehorse, 100 per cent of RGI housing units are allocated based on severity of need.

The following tables depict point-in-time waitlist data by community, time on the waitlist, and time on the waitlist according to priority stream. The data is current to April 23, 2026.

Waitlist by Community

Community	Non-Senior	Senior	Total
Carmacks	1	0	1
Dawson City	12	9	21
Faro	1	0	1
Haines Junction	3	2	5
Mayo	2	0	2
Ross River	10	0	10
Teslin	4	0	4
Watson Lake	13	1	14
Whitehorse	196	67	263
Total	242	79	321

* Only communities with at least one person on the waitlist are reported. People may have applied for housing in multiple communities.

Time on Waitlist

Breakdown	Non-Senior	Senior	Total
<1 Year	144	39	183
1-3 Years	94	31	125
3-5 Years	2	3	5
5-7 Years	2	4	6
7+ Years	1	2	3
Total	243	79	322
Average Years	1.1	1.6	1.2

Time on Waitlist based on Priority Status

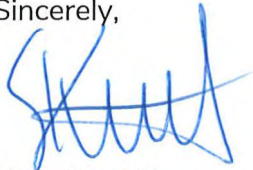
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Breakdown	Affordable	By-Name List	Medical	Mobility	VoV	Total
<1 Year	127	13	2	20	21	183
1-3 Years	79	2	7	18	19	125
3-5 Years	3	0	2	0	0	5
5-7 Years	4	0	1	1	0	6
7+ Years	2	0	0	1	0	3
Total	215	15	12	40	40	322
Average Years	1.2	0.5	1.4	1.4	1.2	

* The By-Name List category identifies homeless priority in the rural communities outside of Whitehorse and VoV identifies victims of violence.

I appreciate your questions and giving me the opportunity to respond. If you would like additional information, please feel free to contact my office.

Sincerely,



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Minister responsible for Yukon Housing Corporation