

LEGISLATIVE RETURN



SUBMITTED BY: Pauline Frost, Minister of Yukon Housing Corporation

- 1. On October 19, 2020, the Member for Watson Lake
 - asked the following question during the Oral Question Period at page(s) 1451 of *Hansard*
 - submitted the following written question – WQ No. _____
 - gave notice of the following motion for the production of papers – MPP No. _____

RE: Affordable Housing

“Last week, a Whitehorse NGO was in the news saying that times are tough in the rental housing market. They went on to say that the pandemic has made the rental housing crisis even worse.

So, can the minister please advise what the current waitlist is for social housing in the Yukon? How many are for seniors and how many are in rural Yukon?”

OR

- 2. This legislative return relates to a matter outstanding from discussion related to:

On _____ at page(s) _____ of *Hansard*.

The response is as follows:

The wait list for Yukon Housing Corporation units fluctuates daily. As of October 13, 2020, the wait list territory-wide was 361 households. Of these, 144 are seniors, 217 are non-seniors, 66 are in communities other than Whitehorse and 295 are in Whitehorse.

During COVID-19, we removed the requirement for wait list clients to check-in monthly to limit the number of clients coming into the offices. As a result, we may still have households listed on the wait list that have since acquired housing or left the territory.

The Yukon Housing Corporation, through the ongoing transformation of our social housing program, is adopting the term community housing to encompass social housing and staff housing as well as senior and non-senior housing.

This fundamental shift to de-label our housing units places our tenants at the centre of our programs as we can become more flexible to support those most in need.

Oct. 21, 2020
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