

Communiqué

February 12, 2026

The Requirements, Recommendations and Guidelines in this Communiqué are applicable to the social housing providers administered by the City of Hamilton.

Social Housing Providers	Applicable
All Providers Under Housing Services Act, 2011	Yes
Not for Profit Providers Under Housing Services Act, 2011	No
Co-Operative Providers Under Housing Services Act, 2011	No
Providers in receipt of Rent Supplements	Yes
Access to Housing	Yes
Requirement	Yes
Recommendation	No
Guidelines	No

SUBJECT: 2026 Housing Income Limits and High Needs Income Limits

BACKGROUND:

The Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing has approved amendments to Ontario Regulation 370/11 under the *Housing Services Act, 2011* to update the annual Household Income Limits (HILs) and High Need Income Limits (HNILS) for 2026.

The updated Household Income Limits and High Need Income Limits are based on information provided by the Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation is under the



Social Housing Agreement, 1999. The amended regulation is available through the following link:

O. Reg. 370/11 HIGH NEED HOUSEHOLDS AND HOUSEHOLD INCOME LIMITS - SUBSECTION 40 (4) OF THE ACT | ontario.ca

These new limits came into effect on January 1, 2026.

2026 Household Income Limits for Hamilton				
Bachelor Unit	1 Bdrm Unit	2 Bdrm Unit	3 Bdrm Unit	4 Bdrm Unit or Larger
\$41,500	\$56,000	\$65,500	\$71,000	\$83,500

2026 High Needs Income Limits for Hamilton				
Bachelor Unit	1 Bdrm Unit	2 Bdrm Unit	3 Bdrm Unit	4 Bdrm Unit or Larger
\$24,900	\$33,600	\$39,300	\$42,600	\$50,100

Please update all information to reflect the new Household Income Limits and High Needs Income Limits. Should you have any questions, please contact your HAO:

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