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Housing Forum to look at achievements, challenges and opportunities

WHITEHORSE—The Government of Yukon is moving forward with implementing its Housing Action Plan by hosting a Housing Forum on June 16.

"This event is an important step in our work to implement our Housing Action Plan, released one year ago," Minister responsible for the Yukon Housing Corporation Stacey Hassard said. "For the plan to be successful, our partners need to be present to share their stories of challenges and opportunities so that they help shape and contribute to the future progress of housing in Yukon."

The Yukon Housing Corporation anticipates that more than 60 stakeholder representatives will attend the Housing Forum. Participation in the forum is by pre-registration, which is intended to ensure that all housing stakeholders are included in the next phase of the Housing Action Plan implementation.

"This government has increased housing available to Yukoners," Hassard added. "We are proud to have opened Betty's Haven transitional housing, increased the number of units available to seniors in downtown Whitehorse and built new housing units in Mayo, Carcross and Carmacks. We are also working in partnership with Da Daghay Development Corporation, Chief Isaac Group of Companies, 360° Design Build and the Canada Mortgage and Housing Association to construct affordable rental housing in Dawson and Whitehorse. In addition, we are building the new Salvation Army centre, which for the first time will include transitional housing as well as an increased number of emergency shelter beds."

The Housing Action Plan for Yukon recommends a multi-stakeholder housing forum be held annually, with opportunities for stakeholders to network and develop partnerships.

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