

**Niagara Regional Housing** 

# Proposed NRH 2022 Operating Budget Submission

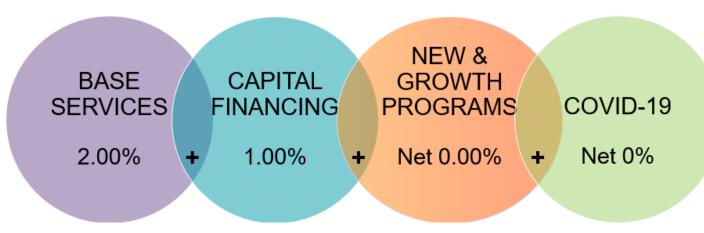
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# 2022 Budget

#### Council Received Budget Strategy (CSD 40-2021; June 17, 2021)

- Budget for base services increase not to exceed Core Consumer Price Index target of 2%
- An additional 1% increase to fund capital renewal costs



#### Recommendations

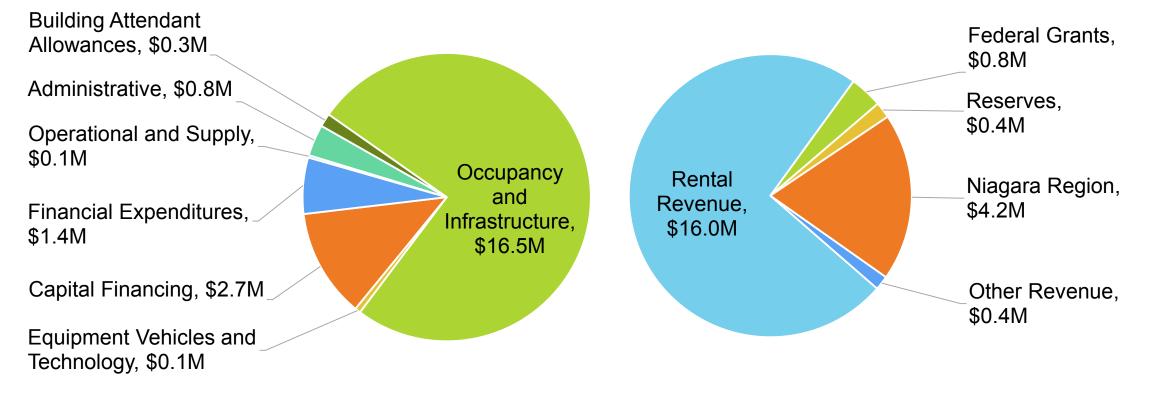
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1.2. Capital Financing	41	1.0%
1.3. Rental revenue utilized for FTEs	(341)	-8.3%
Proposed 2022 Budget	\$3,882	-5.3%

### Budget Overview – Gross Budget of \$2

#### Where the money goes

#### Where the money comes from



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## 2022 Base Budget Analysis – 2%

- Building attendant allowances \$17 thousand increase
- Administrative \$400 thousand increase
  - > Inclusion of the new building condition assessments (BCAs), funded by NRH Owned Unit reserve
- Occupancy and Infrastructure \$302 thousand increase
  - \$205 thousand in utility cost increases
  - \$173 thousand utilities, service contracts, and property taxes for 45 new bridge/supportive housing units
- Intercompany Charges \$173 thousand decrease
  - Recovery from Niagara Region's Homelessness Services division for new bridge/supportive housing units

#### 2022 Base Budget Analysis – 2% - Continue

#### Financial Expenditures - \$427 thousand decrease

- > \$322 thousand due to decrease in provincial debenture payments as agreements expire
- \$105 thousand in bad debt expenses based on recent trends
- Federal and Provincial Grants \$545 thousand decrease
  - Decrease in Public Housing federal funding
- Transfers to Reserves (Capital Financing) \$198 thousand decrease
  - Reduction required to achieve a 2% base budget increase
  - \$2.9 million budget reduced to \$2.7 million

# Program Changes

#### Additional Housing Staff for NRH Operations

- Additional Niagara Region employees directly supporting NRH through the shared services agreement
  - > 1 Community Program Coordinator, \$77 thousand
  - 3 Assistant Property Administrators, \$264 thousand
- > \$341 thousand in funding from additional rental revenues on incremental units
- Subject to Regional Council approval of the Consolidated Levy Budget December 9<sup>th</sup>

#### **Capital Financing**

- Increase of \$41 thousand to NRH Owned Units reserve annually
- Aligned with Niagara Region's budget strategy of 1%

# COVID-19

Continued enhanced cleaning and sanitation (\$245 thousand)

- Continued enhanced security protocols (\$172 thousand)
- Funded by Niagara Region's Taxpayer Relief Reserve

#### Recap of Recommendations

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