



# RHIS

RURAL HOUSING  
INFORMATION SYSTEM

## FILLING THE HOUSING INFORMATION GAP IN RURAL EASTERN AND WESTERN ONTARIO AND BEYOND

### The One-Stop Solution for Rural Housing Information

The **Rural Ontario Institute (ROI)** and founder **Eastern Ontario Wardens' Caucus (EOWC)** are excited to announce the innovative, centralized data tool to fill the housing information gap: the **Rural Housing Information System (RHIS)**. This locally driven tool supports municipalities, developers, and homebuilders in the planning and development of affordable housing. It aims to support not-for-profit builders in overcoming information barriers regarding housing in rural communities.

The data-driven, outcomes focused solution harnesses data in an automated and easy to use dashboard including:

- demographic trends (population, growth, age and income)
- homelessness count and affordable housing stock
- average home and market rental information
- building permit data
- available zoned and developable land
- available municipal building incentives, waivers, grants, etc
- assets and amenities that support residents
- and the ability to compare municipalities' data

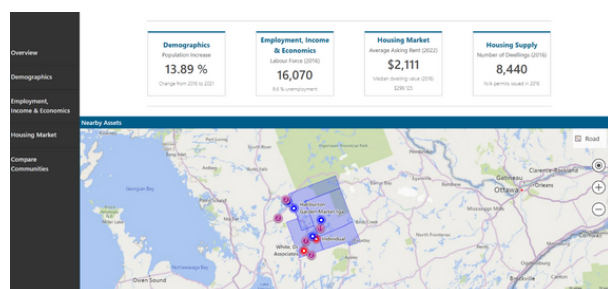


The RHIS was built by consolidating the information that is available through Ontario municipalities' existing resources. By having a consolidated effort for data acquisition, the RHIS provides a streamlined and enhanced centralized, digital platform. In the medium to long-term, this information will be used to strategize housing development plans bringing appropriate, affordable housing to the region and keep residents in their communities of choice.

At present, the RHIS is accessible to rural Eastern municipalities, and we are working in partnership with the Western Ontario Wardens Caucus (WOWC) and South Central Ontario Region Economic Development Corporation (SCOR EDC) to on-board the rural Western municipalities. In the coming months, ROI will be promoting the site to builders and developers to see more affordable housing developments in rural municipalities of Ontario.



## Here's a sneak peak!



Community Comparison Tool

	PETERBOROUGH	PRINCE EDWARD	TWISS	WHITESTAR REGION	TOWNSHIP OF BAYVIEW	BRIGHTON
Median Household Income	\$78,500	\$81,000	\$69,000	\$81,000	\$80,400	\$81,000
Average Rent	\$2,479	\$2,430	\$1,855	\$1,700	\$1,654	\$2,251
Apartment Units	815	850	190	130	305	330

**Want to get involved?**

Interested parties are encouraged to sign-up for the RHIS to be notified when the housing system becomes available in your region.

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