

INCOME & EMPLOYMENT

Average employment income in CKL is 21% lower than the Provincial avg.
ON = \$47,369 / CKL = \$37,242; Statistics Canada (2016)

13% of the population in CKL is considered to be low income
Statistics Canada (2016)

21% of residents aged 25-64 have not completed high school
Statistics Canada (2016)

CKL

HOUSING

Housing is affordable if a person spends less than 30% on accommodations – in CKL, 51.7% of households who rent are spending 30% or more on shelter costs.
Statistics Canada (2016)

People are currently waiting 3 – 5 years for subsidized housing; the waitlist has nearly tripled in size since 2013.
CKL Housing Help Centre (2016)

TRANSPORTATION

A lack of accessible, affordable transportation limits opportunity for employment, education, recreation & social inclusion.

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FOOD

13.5% of HKPR area households are food insecure.

HKPR District Health Unit (2012)

It costs \$884 to feed an average family of four healthy food for one month.

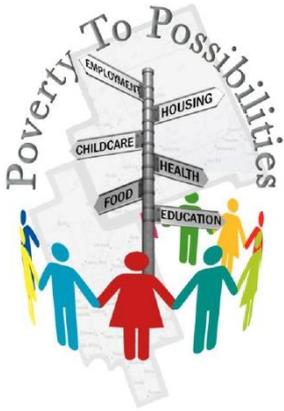
HKPR District Health Unit (2018)

CHILDREN

16.5% of children ages 0-17 live in low income households in CKL
Statistics Canada (2016)

Intervention during the early years of a child's life through public investment programs has an estimated return of 6 : 1.
Public Health ON (2014)

33% of kindergarten students in CKL are considered 'vulnerable' according to Early Development Instruments.
Early Development Instrument Results (2015)



OUR STORY

In 2012, through a joint effort between the City of Kawartha Lakes and County of Haliburton, a Poverty Reduction Strategy for the community was created.

The Haliburton, Kawartha Lakes Poverty Reduction Roundtable, established in the summer of 2016, consists of a group of representatives from different organizations and backgrounds with an interest in poverty reduction. The overarching goal of the roundtable is to reduce the prevalence and impact of poverty for all residents of the City of Kawartha Lakes and Haliburton County through the implementation of the Poverty Reduction Strategy Action Plans.



Food Security

- to support and expand the Student Nutrition Programs during the school year and the summer months.
- to advocate to the federal and provincial governments to develop policies and programs that take a comprehensive approach to address poverty and food security including income security.



Education & Employment

- To increase job and life skill readiness programs and employment support for Ontario Works and Ontario Disability Support Program Recipients
- To address the barriers to employment and to continuing educations and job skills training opportunities such as childcare, transportation and housing



Children & Youth

- Support early learning programs, child activities and social supports for young children (0 to 6 years of age) and their families.
- Increase the number of licensed childcare spaces.



Housing

- Increased the supply of affordable housing in Lindsay, Minden and Haliburton by 127 rent subsidy units & five new affordable home ownership units
- Established a Homelessness Response Strategy which included joining the 20 K Homes Campaign to raise awareness and end chronic homelessness



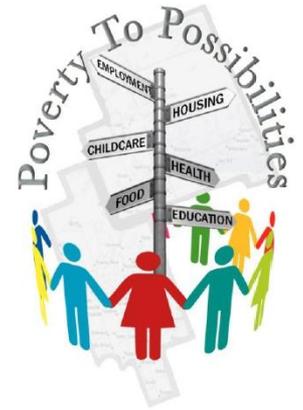
Transportation

- Rural transportation summit held in Fenelon Falls
- Weekly Shopping Shuttle



Bridges Out of Poverty

- Seven workshops held in Bobcaygeon, Lindsay, Bethany & Minden
 - 181 participants



MOVING FORWARD

- Run "*Getting Ahead in a Just Gettin'- By World*" for persons living in poverty
- Stakeholder engagement in poverty reduction issues
 - Review and update action plans

INCOME & EMPLOYMENT

- Support and create employment and business opportunities.
- Address the barriers to employment and job skills training opportunities such as childcare, transportation and housing needs.
- Work with the PRR* to implement the Poverty Reduction Strategies. (<https://www.kawarthalakes.ca/en/living-here/poverty-reduction-strategy.aspx>)

HOUSING

- Continue to invest in more affordable and supportive, high quality housing.
- Create more mixed neighbourhoods with diverse housing options.
- Invest in programs for home repairs, improved energy efficiency and increased accessibility.

FOOD

- Advocate for policies and programs that address the root causes of food insecurity.
- Support innovative community food initiatives.
- Waive rental fees and insurance costs of municipally owned land and certified kitchens for food security initiatives.

CHILDREN

- Increase the number of licensed child care spaces.
- Support subsidized, no-cost and low-cost recreational opportunities, library programs and community events for children and their families.
- Endorse the Children's Charter

How you

TRANSPORTATION

- Establish a rural transportation model that connects communities.
- Invest in active transportation infrastructure such as bike and pedestrian paths and paved shoulders.

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