

# Legalize Tiny Houses in the City of Kawartha Lakes (submitted by: Peter Wallace)

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## **SURVEY RESPONSE REPORT**

17 June 2019 - 06 June 2021

**PROJECT NAME:**

Online Petitions

**Petition Request:** We the undersigned, petition the Council of the City of Kawartha Lakes to legalize the construction and full time occupancy of tiny homes, both on foundations and on wheels, in our community through modification of existing zoning by-laws. We further ask that tiny homes be permitted as both secondary dwellings on properties with existing residential homes and as primary dwellings on vacant land.

**Petition Background:** This petition calls for the legalization of tiny homes for both construction and year round occupancy in the City of Kawartha Lakes. For further information on tiny homes please refer to the Government of Ontario website link below. <https://www.ontario.ca/document/build-or-buy-tiny-home> Summary of concerns prompting this petition:

- We are in the middle of a housing crisis and homeownership is no longer an obtainable goal for a significant portion of the population.
- The inability for many to achieve home ownership is eroding the middle class.
- Tiny homes will never be the entire solution, but they offer a meaningful option for those interested in this form of living.
- Tiny homes should exist as a legal option for those that want to build them safely.
- Municipalities can benefit from the increased tax revenues by allowing tiny homes as accessory dwellings or on their own.
- An infusion of young adults in the community, a welcome boost to the local economy for any town with an aging population.
- Increased access to affordable housing options particularly for single people or “empty nesters” who do not require a traditional family size home.
- Increased supply of rental housing in the community.

**Petition Organizer:** Peter Wallace of Lindsay

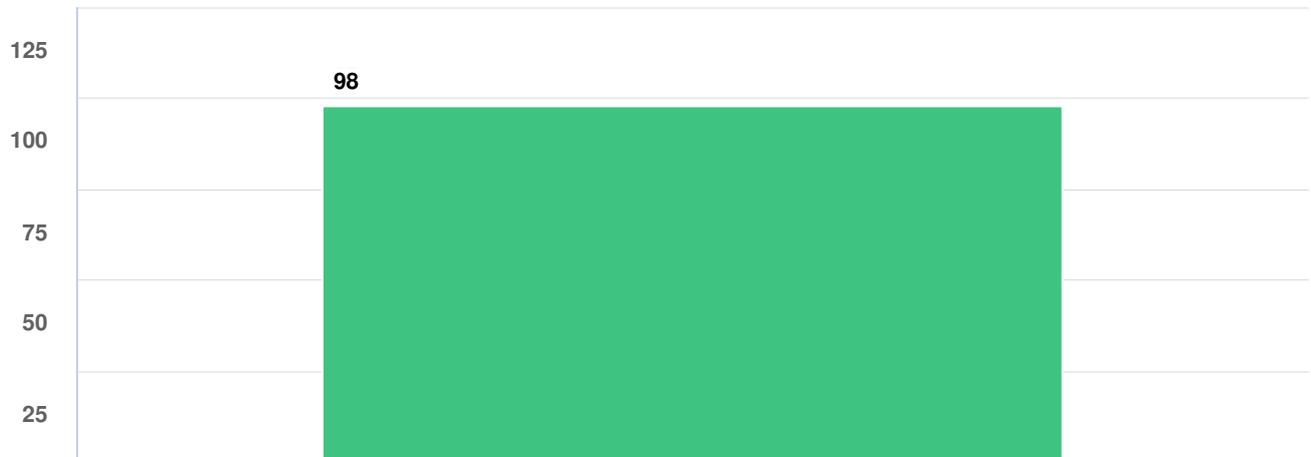
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# SURVEY QUESTIONS

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**Q1** Signatories to a petition waive any expectation of privacy as a result of the petition being created for review by City Co...



**Question options**

- I understand and agree.

*Mandatory Question (98 response(s))*

*Question type: Checkbox Question*