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Mr. Dinn,

*Labelled by the Minister
for Children, Seniors
and Social Development
K. Hawley-George
October 17, 2023*

Please see below for a fulsome update in response to your request.

Thank you,
Paul

Officials of Newfoundland and Labrador Housing Corporation and Children, Seniors and Social Development, along with staff of End Homelessness St. John's and Newfoundland and Labrador Health Services' Harm Reduction team, have continued to visit the area each day.

- Our government recognizes the complex needs of some individuals at the site and continue to work with community partners, including End Homelessness St. John's, to better understand the housing and support needs of those presently tenting.
- All individuals who wished to, were supported to complete both housing and income support applications as needed and to make other community connections and referrals as appropriate. It is important to note that in order to be connected to housing, the individual must apply.
- All individuals experiencing homelessness were offered staffed shelter placements where they would have access to supports and services, including case management and housing search services.
- Individuals experiencing homelessness are prioritized for NLHC's rental programs, including access to the Canada-NL housing benefit, with 377 individuals experiencing homelessness having secured housing placements in 2022-23 through these programs.
- End Homelessness St. John's, through federal funding, has partnered with community organizations to create approximately 15 positions that provide critical supports to those experiencing chronic homelessness in the St. John's area secure more stable housing.

Hon. Paul A. Pike, MHA
District of Burin-Grand Bank
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Minister Responsible for the Community Sector
Minister Responsible for the Newfoundland and Labrador Housing Corporation

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- As ^{the} Member would know, I did reply on Oct 11th on all the actions that were being taken to support individuals in the tents
- Our staff have been on site every day working hard to