



**CFUW ONTARIO COUNCIL
SPECIFIC POLICY ON HOUSING
December 4, 2018**

CFUW Ontario Council policy incorporates both Ontario Council and CFUW National.

Ontario Council Policy

Housing for all through sustainable and mixed urban development in Ontario (2018)

RESOLVED that the Ontario Council of the Canadian Federation of University Women (CFUW OC) urges the Government of Ontario and municipal governments to cooperate through laws, bylaws and policies to guarantee that plans for redevelopment and new development for housing, and land use intensification, ensure that a full range of mixed income housing be integrated in urban communities.

RESOLVED that the Ontario Council of the Canadian Federation of University Women (CFUW OC) urges the Government of Ontario and municipal governments, in cooperation with First Nations, to ensure that, where urban areas expand beyond current boundaries, urban growth is sustainable and protects parks, crown lands, First Nation communities, river basins and wetlands, farm lands and designated green spaces.

CFUW Policy

Affordable Housing 1992

RESOLVED, That the Canadian Federation of University Women (CFUW) urge the Government of Canada to reinstate non-profit, co-operative and affordable housing programs, and to promote and to finance these programs; and

RESOLVED, That CFUW urge all levels of government to co-operate in establishing comprehensive plans for land use, which will guarantee affordable housing within community developments.

Ending Youth Homelessness 2018 & 2006

RESOLVED, That CFUW (Canadian Federation of University Women) urges the Government of Canada to work in cooperation with Provincial, Territorial, Municipal and Indigenous governments to develop and implement strategies and support programs, both long and short term, to address and take action on the root causes of youth homelessness.

RESOLVED, That CFUW (Canadian Federation of University Women) urges the Government of Canada to provide sufficient funding to combat youth homelessness specifically targeting those aging out of government care, Indigenous youth, youth with mental health and addiction issues, youth with physical health issues, and LGBTQ+ youth.

RESOLVED, That the Canadian Federation of University Women urge the federal, provincial, territorial, regional and municipal governments to formulate and implement

gender sensitive plans to address the specific needs of homeless youth, to include:

1. a range of housing options
 - a. Crisis
 - b. Transitional
 - c. Supportive
 - d. Supported
 - e. Long-term affordable housing;
2. coordinated and accessible youth support services with focus on education and self- sufficiency; and
3. ongoing financial resources committed to organizations and agencies that provide housing and support services to homeless youth.

Homelessness and Poverty 1999

RESOLVED, That the Canadian Federation of University Women (CFUW) urge the Government of Canada to take immediate action to carry out its UN commitments as stated in article 25.1 of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights (1949) and the International Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights (1967), by defining and ensuring access to an adequate standard of living for all Canadians to maintain health and well-being;

RESOLVED, That CFUW urge the Government of Canada to recognize the present crises of homelessness and poverty, and to work with the provincial, territorial, local and aboriginal governments, as well as with the business and community sector, to ensure the provision and coordination of a full range of short-term social support and health- related services, with ease of access by homeless and poor people;

RESOLVED, That CFUW urge the Government of Canada and the provincial, territorial, local and aboriginal governments to work together with business and community organizations to provide support to existing effective community initiatives and to create other appropriate immediate and long-term programs such as low-cost innovative housing and the development of new employment opportunities to eliminate homelessness, alleviate poverty and foster independent living; and

RESOLVED, That CFUW urge the Government of Canada, provincial, territorial, local and aboriginal governments, and the business sector to ensure that adequate funding is provided for:

1. community-based mental health outreach programs, including public education on the interpretation and application of the Mental Health Statutes and on support strategies for families;
2. adequate, comprehensive, supportive housing for those with mental illness who no longer need full-time institutional care, but are not yet ready for a completely independent life-style.