

Brightening Lives - Building Community



A Tiny Hope community in downtown St. Thomas. Welcoming and empowering youth, adults, and families. More than housing - *its a New Beginning!*



Tiny Hope with a BIG VISION

Project Tiny Hope is determined to be an agent of change. YWCA St. Thomas-Elgin is proud to partner with Doug Tarry Limited and Sanctuary Homes to create net zero ready homes that are affordable, welcoming and strengthen community.

Doug Tarry Limited is the proud homebuilder

“When designing the Tiny Hope homes, the inside was about taking spatial optimization and giving it a punch. We wanted no wasted space but giving as much livable area at the smallest square footage we could achieve. For the exterior, we were trying to bring the Tiny Homes to the modern age and make sure it was a show piece from the start. Inside and out, this has been a design opportunity and benchmark to test the boundaries of what can be accomplished for affordable housing”.

- Mike Fishback, Design Manager



Welcome Home!

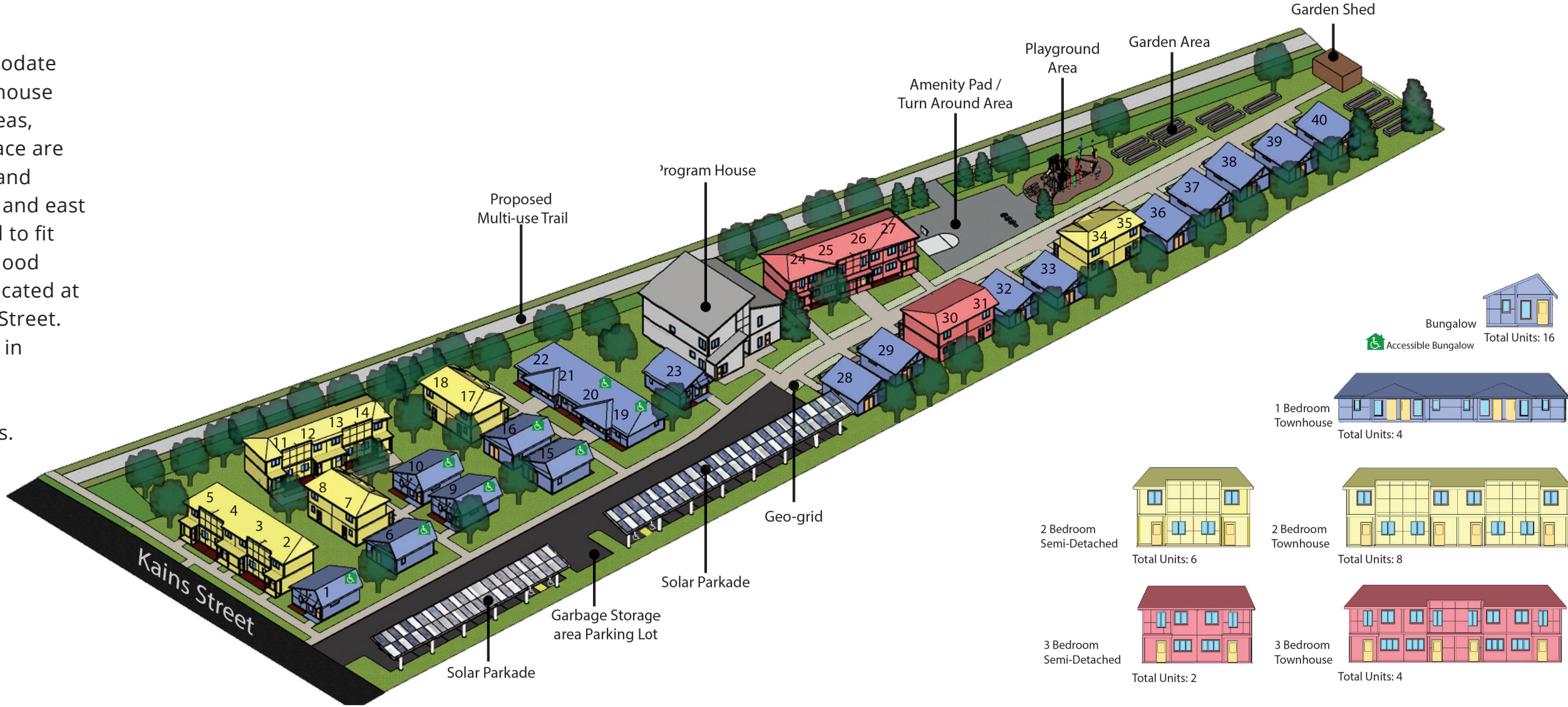
At the heart of our affordable housing is an intentional focus on belonging and community. Gathering spaces throughout the property are reflective of this vision. The naturalized space provides opportunity and choice for residents and visitors to meet with one another and be connected.

Tiny Homes designed by:



Site Design

The site is designed to accommodate 40 tiny homes with a program house central to the property. Play areas, resident gardens and green space are nestled in the back for privacy and enjoyment. The tree lined west and east perimeter has been maintained to fit seamlessly into the neighbourhood and parking and drop-off are located at the main entrance along Kains Street. This new housing development in downtown St. Thomas is within close proximity to social and personal amenities and services.



YWCA

Program House

The facility is a shared experience with gathering spaces, meeting rooms and collective learning kitchen accessible to all. This welcoming Program House provides an inviting spot for residents to gather, attend programs, socialize, and connect with other residents or visitors.



Collective Learning Kitchen

The second floor of the YWCA Program House will be home to a collective learning kitchen. This common area will be equipped with a full kitchen providing opportunity to cook, dine, prepare food and socialize.



Gathering in Community

The main floor of our YWCA Program House will be home to a large and inviting space to host workshops, meetings, social gatherings and events. This multi-use room will create opportunity for connection, conversation, growth and learning.



Playground and Outdoor Gathering Space

Residents will have space to play, be active and come together for outdoor enjoyment. A naturalized playground for children and families will invite residents to play outside together and build community. Our landscaping design will incorporate edible plants and trees that are sustainable and add to the beauty and functionality of our property.



Affordable Housing Built to Net Zero Ready Standard

A mix of one, two and three bedroom rental units will accommodate adults, youth and families. Each tiny home will be equipped with a full kitchen, bathroom, laundry, private bedrooms and living room providing dignity and comfort. Our tiny homes will be built to net zero ready standard providing a far more energy efficient and less expensive home to operate. These homes are healthier, quieter and more comfortable.



Resident Garden

A large vegetable and fruit garden will be shared by all residents. Food security programs will be offered within the garden and collective learning kitchen promoting healthy eating and food preparation.



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