

1. **Ottawa's Poverty Reduction Strategy 2025 - 2029**
Stratégie de réduction de la pauvreté d'Ottawa 2025-2029

Committee Recommendation(s)

That Council approve the Poverty Reduction Strategy as outlined in this report and supporting documentation therein to achieve the first step in the Term of Council strategic objective “advance poverty reduction.”

Recommandation(s) du comité

Que le Conseil approuve la Stratégie de réduction de la pauvreté exposée dans le présent rapport et les documents à l'appui qu'il renferme afin de franchir la première étape de l'objectif stratégique du mandat du Conseil, qui consiste à « poursuivre la lutte contre la pauvreté ».

Documentation/Documentation

1. Extract of the draft Minutes, Community Services Committee, October 22, 2024

Extrait de l'ébauche du procès-verbal, Comité des services communautaires, le 22 octobre 2024

2. General Manager's Report, Community and Social Services, submitted on October 11, 2024 (ACS2024-CSS-GEN-010)

Rapport de la Directrice générale, Services sociaux et communautaires soumis le 11 octobre 2024 (ACS2024-CSS-GEN-010)

Community Services Committee **2**
Report 12
October 30, 2024

Comité des services
communautaires
Rapport 12
Le 30 octobre 2024

Extract of Draft Minutes 12
Community Services Committee
October 22, 2024

Extrait de l'ébauche
du procès-verbal 12
Comité des services communautaires
Le 22 octobre 2024

Ottawa's Poverty Reduction Strategy 2025 - 2029

The report for this item was published on October 11, 2024, after the publication of the agenda on October 10, 2024. Committee will consider a motion to approve the addition of the report to the agenda and allow consideration of the item at its meeting of October 22, 2024, pursuant to subsection 89(3) of the *Procedure By-law*.

File No. ACS2024-CSS-GEN-010 – City-wide

Clara Freire, General Manager, Community and Social Services Department, and Sarah Taylor, Director, Community Safety, Well-Being, Policy and Analytics, presented an overview of the report and answered questions from the Committee. A copy of the slide presentation is filed with the Office of the City Clerk. Sawsan Al-Refaei, Manager, Strategic Projects, also answered questions.

The following external stakeholders co-presented with staff:

- Rachael Wilson (Ottawa Food Bank)
- Matt Beutel (Lowertown Community Resource Centre)

Committee received the following submissions, and a copy of each is filed with the Office of the City Clerk:

- Marie-Louise Knight (Foster Farm Family House) letter received October 18
- Angela Talbot (Michele Heights Community House) letter received October 21
- Andrea Thompson (Confederation Court Community House) letter received October 21
- EquiTABLE letter received October 21, 2024
- Heron Emergency Food Centre Board of Directors letter received October 21, 2024
- Kristy Fudakowski (Blair Court Community House) letter dated October 21, 2024
- Sylvie Manser (Banff Avenue Community House) letter dated October 21, 2024

- Barbara Carroll (Debra Dynes Family House and Food Bank) letter received October 21
- Erin O'Manique (Gloucester Emergency Food Cupboard) submission received October 21
- Lisa Fabian (Care Centre Ottawa) letter received October 22, 2024

The following members of the public spoke before the Committee and provided comments on the report:

- Barbara Carroll (Debra Dynes Family House and Food Bank), slides on file with the City Clerk
- Rebecca Dorris and Kate Veinot (Ottawa Community Food Partnership)
- Beth Tooley (Ottawa Coalition of Community Houses)
- Eugene Williams (Caldwell Family Centre)
- Lucie Larouche (Caldwell Family Centre)
- Yolanda Jones (Pinecrest Terrace Community House)
- Henry Akanko (United Way East Ontario)
- Janet Burrows and Andrea Poncia (Coalition of Community Health and Resource Centres)
- Alex Noreau (Ottawa Food Bank)
- Jonathan Rothschild
- Amanda Bonacci, South East Ottawa Community Health Centre
- Asma Boudhane
- Neil Saravanamuttoo
- Mohamed Sofa (Britannia Woods Community House)
- Yanet Tsehaye (Britannia Woods Community House)
- Chantale Portelance, Nathalie Portelance and Rebecca Dorris (Parkdale Food Centre)
- Michael Marcil (Bruce House)
- Sheila Rao (Just Food)
- Calla Barnett (Action Sandy Hill)
- Robin Browne (613/819 Black Hub)

After discussion on this item, the Committee considered the following:

Motion No. CSC 2024-12-01

Moved by J. Bradley

**Community Services Committee
Report 12
October 30, 2024**

4

**Comité des services
communautaires
Rapport 12
Le 30 octobre 2024**

WHEREAS the report for this item was published on October 11, 2024, after the publication of the agenda on October 10, 2024;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Community Services Committee approve the addition of the report for consideration at today's meeting, pursuant to subsection 89(3) of the Procedure By-law (being by-law no. 2022-410) to allow for timely consideration of the matter.

Carried

Report recommendation(s)

That Community Services Committee recommend that Council approve the Poverty Reduction Strategy as outlined in this report and supporting documentation therein to achieve the first step in the Term of Council strategic objective "advance poverty reduction."

Carried