Highlights of Housing Task Force Work  
September 2014- January 14, 2015

• Communications has been a priority of the Housing Task Force (HTF) to date:
  1) Aiming to make it evident to the wider community that Something new is happening AND
  2) Gathering information and ideas
- Many questions and discussions emerging on the HTF FB Group page.
- HTF reference materials and other resources, such as shared on the FB Group page, will be stored on the Connectability web site, in a designated area for the Housing Task Force under ‘Housing’, link to connectability.ca

• Taking “Action” has been another top priority:
  - HTF is committed to learning and advocacy and to move quickly to learn from innovative approaches and collaborative solutions to housing.
  - MCSS upcoming announcement will be seeking proposals by the end of February 2015, with 5-6 week timeframe for submission
  - Projected commencement of initial projects in Spring 2015.
  - Expectation of at least 2 proposal deadlines during 2015.

• HTF Medium-Term tasks and priorities:
  ‘Learning Journey’ of the HTF members
  - Exploring opportunities for engagement by other ministries including Health, Municipal Affairs & Housing, Poverty Reduction Strategy within the Treasury Board
  - Studying creative housing projects and initiatives already underway, both in Ontario and beyond.

• The Housing Task Force meets monthly, the second Wednesday of the month.

• Be part of the conversation, Join the Ontario Developmental Services Housing Task Force Group at https://www.facebook.com/groups/527484407354214/

• All Inquiries or Questions can be sent to: dshousingtaskforce@gmail.com