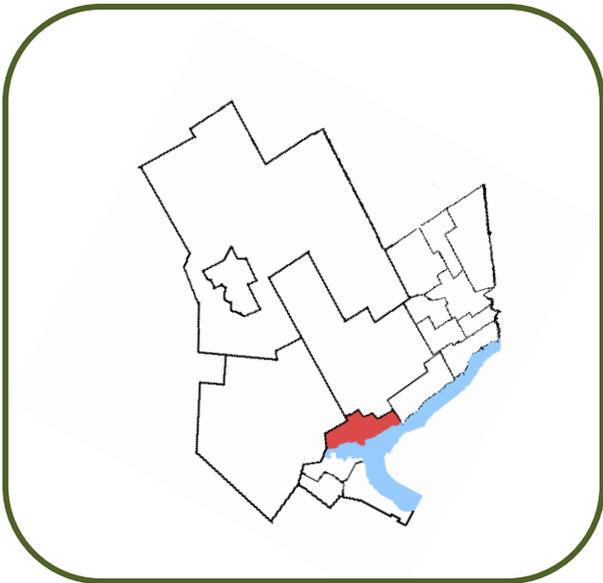


Burlington Riding Action on Poverty Profile

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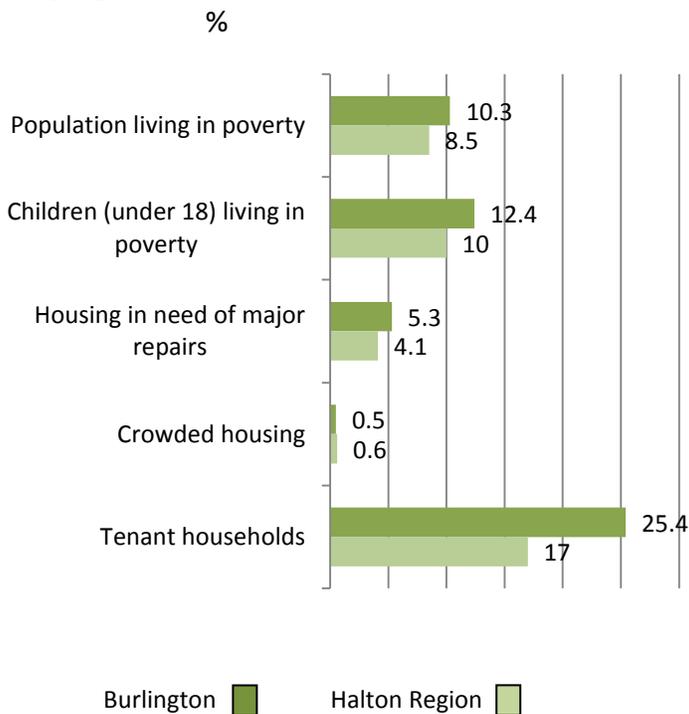


Story Behind the Stats

This riding is within the City of Burlington. It represents about 72% of the City's population in 2006. By many measures, the City is an affluent community. Its individual, household and family median incomes are more than 20% higher than those for Ontario in 2005. Over 42% of Burlington's families made more than \$100,000 compared to 30% of the families in the province.

However, over 10% of the residents live in poverty. The poverty rate is higher than the regional average. One in eight children lives in low-income families. One in four households lives in rental housing.

Key Figures



**118,315 people live in
Burlington Riding
12,009 live in poverty – 10.3%***

“The last thing you want to do is ghettoize any part of any community. Integrating affordable units with other properties allows for healthier communities. In my experience it’s invisible. You can’t see who’s who, which is the way it should be.”

Garth Brown
Affordable Housing Halton

Taking Action in Burlington Riding

Affordable Housing Halton (AHH) is a community-based nonprofit organization committed to the creation of affordable housing for low and modest income residents; and to alleviating homelessness and the lack of affordable housing in the Halton community. Their vision is that all people in Halton can live with dignity in safe, stable and affordable housing, within an inclusive and healthy community.

CASH (Coalition For Affordable Assistive and Supportive Housing in Halton) which is a coalition of representatives from a diverse variety of non-profit groups that work collaboratively to encourage affordable, assisted and supportive housing. CASH works with various levels of government, with public social service providers and with the private sector, striving to resolve issues and to help those who are struggling to find affordable, assisted or supportive housing.

AHH and CASH have engaged the community through activities such as co-hosting a housing forum, working with the City of Burlington on promoting the development of accessory dwelling units and developing National Housing Day events.

<http://affordablehousinghalton.ca>

Poverty Free Halton Takes Action

Through education and advocacy, Poverty Free Halton's non-partisan volunteer committee works to highlight the issues of poverty in the region and offer solutions to all levels of government. We believe that the solutions to poverty are within grasp, we just need the political will to obtain them.

Want to get involved?
Contact us at info@povertyfreehalton.ca
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