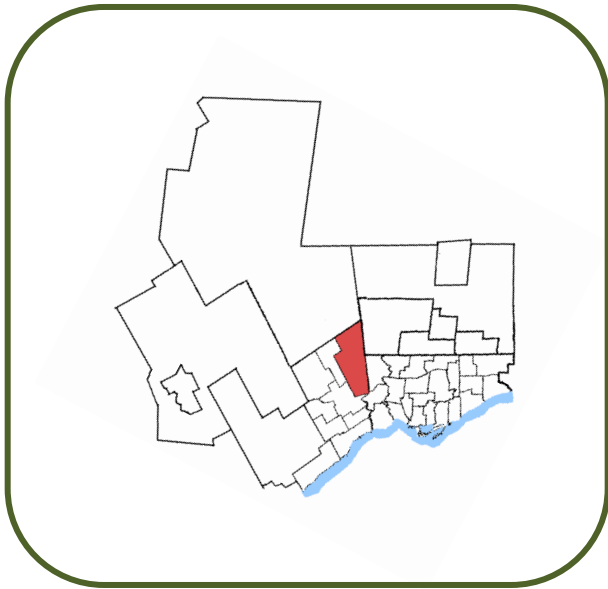


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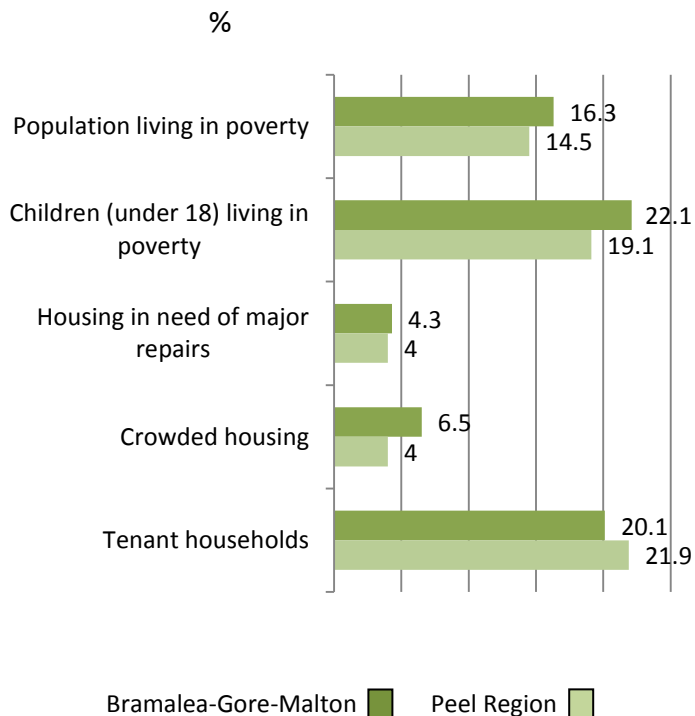


Story Behind the Stats

The Bramalea-Gore-Malton riding comprises the northeast corner of the city of Mississauga and continues into the city of Brampton, running along the full easterly limit of the Brampton border. This riding encompasses City ward 10 and portions of City wards 7 and 8 in Brampton, along with a portion of City ward 5 in Mississauga.

The population of this riding is exceptionally diverse. It is home to a large number of newcomers from racialized communities. Issues that this population faces include underemployment and unemployment.

Key Figures



**152,700 people live in
Bramalea-Gore-Malton**
24,783 live in poverty – 16.3%*

**“Many of the people in this
community have qualifications
from their countries of origin that
should have protected them from
poverty.”**

Joyce Temple-Smith
Executive Director
Malton Neighbourhood Services

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*For details on calculations and definitions, go to www.spno.ca



Taking Action in Bramalea-Gore-Malton

Malton Neighbourhood Services (MNS) is a non-profit, charitable organization that has provided settlement and community support services since 1975. MNS recognizes the diversity of its community, offering services to language and cultural groups including Somali, Twi, Hindi, Punjabi, Urdu, Tamil, Arabic, Tagalog, Spanish, and Italian. It also serves clients from the Caribbean and Africa.

MNS is committed to developing, creating, and promoting opportunities for those it serves through the sharing of information and resources; formation of partnerships; community planning, support and advocacy; training and education and community economic development.

Although MNS provides emergency food supplies in partnership with the local food bank and a Housing Resource Centre for those who are homeless or on the verge of homelessness, it tries to assist with the issues that cause homelessness, including barriers to employment. It offers an intensive, three-day Job Search Workshop that teaches newcomers about finding work in Canada, the Canadian labour market and work cultures, and workers' rights and employment standards. It also assists clients in obtaining accreditation of qualifications and in identifying opportunities for upgrading. Even in its after-school programming, MNS stresses (directly and indirectly) the importance of staying in school and obtaining qualifications.

www.mnsinfo.org

The Social Planning Council of Peel

The Social Planning Council of Peel is an independent, non-profit organization that promotes social justice by facilitating citizen participation in the identification of social issues and in the planning and implementation of collaborative actions to address those issues.

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