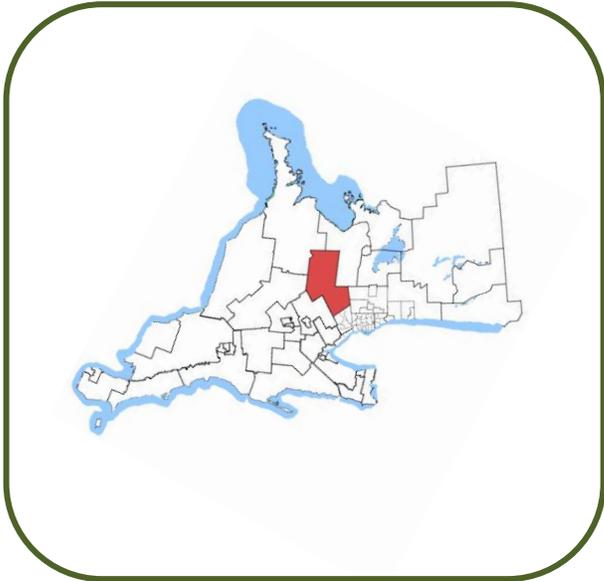


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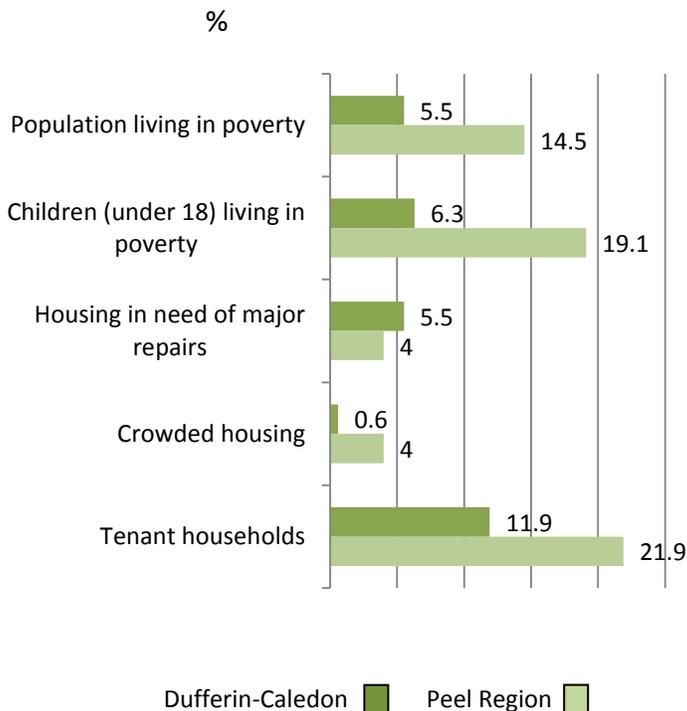


Story Behind the Stats

The Dufferin-Caledon riding was created in 2003 from parts of the Dufferin-Peel-Wellington-Grey riding. It comprises two largely rural areas: the Town of Caledon and Dufferin County, which includes the five Townships of Amaranth, East Garafraxa, East Luther Grand Valley, Melancthon, and Mulmur, and three towns, Mono, Shelburne, and Orangeville.

Despite low overall levels of poverty, pockets of low income still persist. Community workers report that the majority of their clients are working individuals and sole-support parents who are struggling to put healthy food on the table. They require social supports to break the cycle of poverty and marginalization. Many have experienced illness, family breakdown, or loss of housing or employment.

Key Figures



**111,490 people live in
Dufferin-Caledon**
6,073 live in poverty –5.5%*

“There are too many at risk of being homeless in Caledon. People in need have to wait too long and are often forced to leave their beloved Home in the Hills.”

Caledon Community Services
“A Home in the Hills: Homelessness and Precarious Housing in Caledon”



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



Taking Action in Dufferin-Caledon

Caledon Community Services (CCS) is a multi-service, community-impact, health and social service organization supporting residents in the Municipality of Caledon and surrounding communities. It has strong links with service clubs, churches, and businesses in the Caledon community, often working with one or more of these groups to develop new services. Community groups and hundreds of residents invest regularly in CCS.

CCS's vision of a "healthy, compassionate, engaged community for all" is realized through a broad array of programs and resources that respond to community needs. It serves over 850 individuals within its basic needs program (food support, emergency expenses, housing issues).

Although currently under construction, "The Exchange" - which will transform the traditional food bank into a holistic food support program and community hub - will offer a combination of nutrition, education and training to individuals and families. It will operate with an aim to help individuals pursue their growth, health and independence.

www.ccs4u.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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