

Asked by:

Member for Tu Nedhé-Wiilideh

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Housing Expenditures in Tu Nedhé-Wiilideh

Mr. Speaker, the communities of Tu Nedhé-Wiilideh, like many other constituencies in the Northwest Territories, face significant housing issues. Homes across Dettah, N'dilq, Fort Resolution and Łutsel K'e are in significant disrepair and are overcrowded, with a significant number of people on waitlists.

Mr. Speaker, 32% of homes in the Tu Nedhé-Wiilideh constituency are in core need – this means that over one-third of the homes in Tu Nedhé-Wiilideh are not adequate, affordable, or suitable. Residents in my communities wait between 70 to 1351 days to move into homes. It could take people in my riding three and a half years to move into a home. On average, almost seven per cent of homes in my communities are considered overcrowded.

Mr. Speaker, financial resources need to be allocated to address these issues in my constituency. Can the Minister provide the following information for Tu Nedhé-Wiilideh:

1. What are the annual operational expenditures spent on housing over the past five years;
2. What is the current total cost to address the repairs required;
3. How much of the operational budget has been spent on repairs over the last five years;
4. What is the annual capital expenditure for housing over the past five years;
5. What is the total capital budget to address the need for more homes?