

CHIEF PLANNER AWARD



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This project significantly increases Hamilton's affordable housing supply by providing 24 studio-style units, all deeply affordable and rent-geared-to-income housing. It offers safe and stable homes specifically for Black, Indigenous, and other racialized individuals facing systemic housing barriers. By transforming a former parking lot into much-needed affordable housing, the development maximizes land use efficiently. Modular design accelerated the construction timeline while maintaining superior quality. The building's Passive House Certification, featuring an airtight envelope and an all-electric heating and cooling system powered by rooftop photovoltaic panels, showcases a strong commitment to sustainability and innovation. The project also included a well-designed outdoor amenity at the rear.

HAMILTON PASSIVE HOUSE MODULAR HOUSING

257 King William Street, Hamilton, ON

The Hamilton Passive House Modular Housing project, located at 257 King William Street in downtown Hamilton, offers safe and affordable rental living options through a thoughtfully designed compact three-storey building that complements its surrounding context. The building integrates with nearby structures by matching setbacks, height, and rooflines, creating an appropriately scaled infill with gentle density that blends well into the neighbourhood. Constructed using modular methods, the development features amenity space at ground level with residential units above. An enclosed backyard provides a secure outdoor area enhanced with barbecues, seating, and a community garden surrounded by low-maintenance landscaping. As a Certified Passive House, it incorporates sustainable design elements like a high-performance envelope and photovoltaic panels.

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