

To Kwa Wan Ekta Housing Concern Group

Group of Ethnic Minority residents living in To Kwa Wan area formed a concern group on 10th November, 2013. Housing is their common difficulty for years. Some of them are waiting for the Public Rental Housing allocation for more than 6 years. Living condition is complex and overcrowded in small units which are unaffordable

To help assist the PRH waiting list families and others in housing need we suggest Government to consider following:

1. New Supply of PRH (Bigger Units)

Many South Asian family sizes are big (household members 4 -6). PRH units are mainly small and not suitable for the big families

2. Re-priorities the allocation of PRH

Allocating PRH waiting list should be considered the first priority.

3. Rent Control

Government should re-apply rent control ordinance to protect the tenants and their rights

4. Rent Subsidy

While waiting for Public rental housing allocation, Government should provide rent subsidy in regular basis to help the tenants minimize the burden (if not full, at least half rent subsidy)

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