

“BLESSED ARE THE MERCIFUL,
FOR THEY SHALL OBTAIN MERCY.”
(MATTHEW 5:7)



OUR FAITH IN ACTION

A Project Funded by TIA in 2016

Bishop O'Byrne Housing Association Rent Subsidies for Families

The Together in Action Grant has made rent significantly more affordable for families at one of our buildings.

Bishop O'Byrne Housing Association provides below-market housing to low income Calgarians but for many families the rents are still not affordable and each month they must make hard choices between rent, food, transportation and other basic necessities.

Thanks to the TIA grant, families have been able to breathe a little easier and focus on more important things. For one family of three with a teenage son it allowed them to move out of a bachelor suite that they all shared into a two bedroom unit – where both parents and child can have their own space. For another family it means that they can now consistently afford medication that the mom needs.

The TIA support has an immediate impact and makes it possible for families in need to pay their rent each month reducing their risk of becoming or returning to homelessness. This provides tenants with a sense of security and confidence that they will have a stable, safe and affordable home for their family.

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