Hello! Thank you for your support. To use this letter template:

1. Fill in the name of your MLA at the beginning, and yours at the end. [Click here to find your MLA and their contact information](https://enstools.electionsnovascotia.ca/edinfo2012/).
2. Consider adding personal context between the second and third paragraphs of the letter template. For example, do you want to tell your MLA about your own experience trying to find safe, secure housing for yourself or someone else in your community? Or remind them of a previous conversation you’ve had with their office? Edit the template as you see fit.
3. Delete these instructions!
4. Paste the letter into an email and send it (or print it out and mail it if you have spare time and spare stamps).

Dear NAME OF YOUR MLA,

I am one of your constituents, writing to express my profound disappointment with the recommendations of the Housing Commission’s report; their recommendations represent the inadequate mandate and representation that was given to them by this government, and the report’s market-based solutions will continue to render Nova Scotians in core housing need for decades to come.

As my representative in Nova Scotia’s legislature, I call on you to work with your colleagues to implement all 95 recommendations from the Housing for All Working Group’s paper, [***Keys to a housing secure future for all Nova Scotians***](https://www.policyalternatives.ca/publications/reports/keys-housing-secure-future-all-nova-scotians)***.***

**Housing is a right, and housing is health**. Housing insecurity leads to increased stress, morbidity, mortality, social exclusion, illness, and disease. Ensuring that everyone has a housing secure future is critical for their health and our collective community’s well-being.

I ask our provincial government to commit to build or acquire **33,000 units of *permanently* affordable housing** in Nova Scotia, enough for all those in core housing need**.** Housing security is not simply a supply issue; we must ensure Nova Scotians have adequate community-based support services based on need, to ensure they can live a quality life.

I ask our provincial government to commit to an investment of $531 million each year for the next 10 years to ensure that these units can be built or acquired and maintained. I also ask that an average of an additional $161 million per year be dedicated to operating spending over those 10 years.

These investments must be coupled with the right policy and programs grounded through the principles clearly laid out in [***Keys to a housing secure future for all Nova Scotians***](https://www.policyalternatives.ca/publications/reports/keys-housing-secure-future-all-nova-scotians); this plan involves significant job creation, not only for construction jobs but also community service and public service employment.

Sincerely,

YOUR NAME