

Heritage

Recognition & Reflection

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Heritage Property Recognition



Heritage properties play an important role in contributing to the character and cultural identity of a community. Well-maintained heritage properties enrich our communities and offer all of us a sense of place

Listed vs Designated Properties

Listed

- ❖ Not designated under the Ontario Heritage Act
- ❖ Property identified as having potential CHVI
- ❖ Contribute to the character of the community with:
 - ❖ Period-specific architecture and features
 - ❖ Connection with local history & individuals
- ❖ Monitor cultural heritage resources valued by the community
- ❖ Given attention during the development reviews
- ❖ 30-day demolition notice

Designated

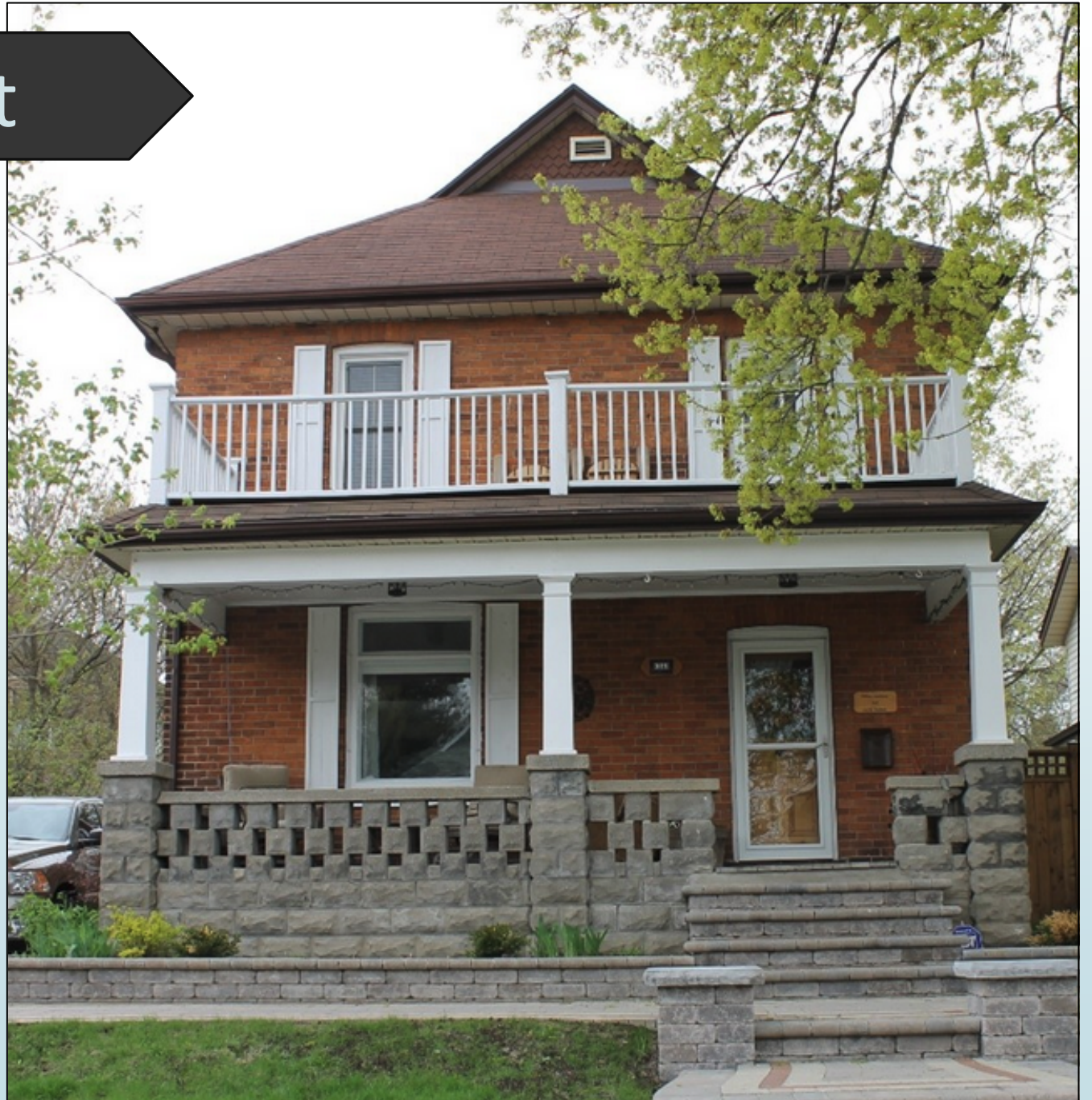
- ❖ Formally evaluated as having CHVI
- ❖ Designated under the Ontario Heritage Act through **Municipal** By-Law
 - ❖ Specific to important elements and attributes which contribute to its CHVI
- ❖ Greater protection of the Heritage attributes, conserving them for the future
- ❖ Protected from demolition and unsympathetic alterations
- ❖ Public recognition
- ❖ Increased access to funding
- ❖ Property does not have to be restored to its original appearance

Newly Designated!



14 Cumberland Street

- ◇ Listed 2016
- ◇ Constructed around the year 1905, the structure is quite typical of homes built during that era in association with the Allandale rail line. The property was home to the old station master of the time.



84 Cumberland Street

- ◇ Listed 2021
- ◇ This traditional L-shaped Victorian home features unique dichromatic brick work above the windows and doors as well as at the peak of the gabled roof. The design of the building suggests it was built between 1875 and 1900.



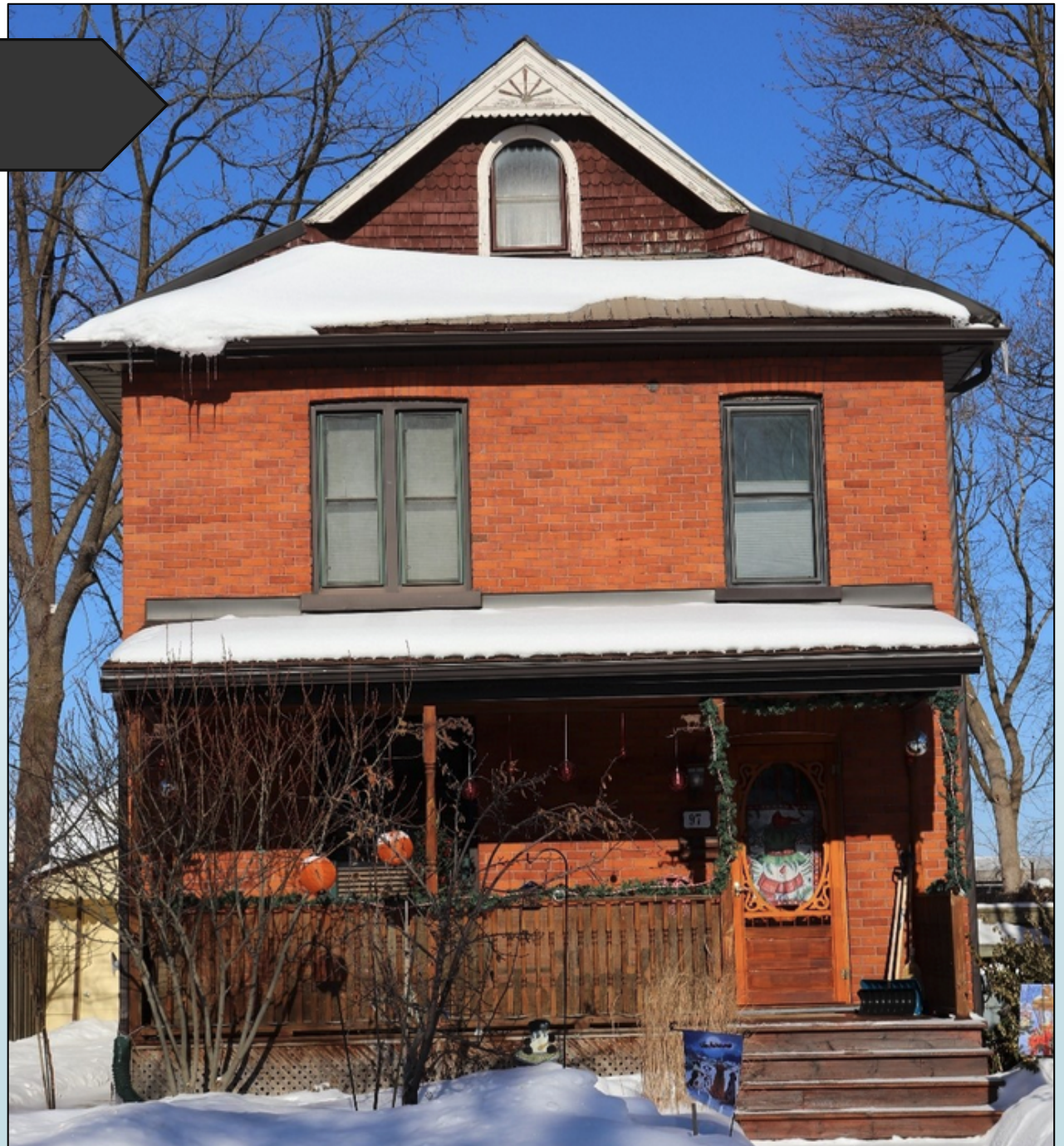
88 Cumberland Street

- ◇ Listed 2016
- ◇ James Brunton, a son of John, and his wife Adelaide built this house in 1887. James had been an engineer with the Grand Trunk Railway and later a partner in a local grocery store. The house has nicely detailed brickwork featuring alternating colors and a decorated gable.



97 Cumberland Street

- ◇ Listed 2021
- ◇ This home is unique in that it does not feature the common L-shaped design of Victorian homes. Further, it features only one peaked roof and cedar shingles are used as siding above the second floor. This suggests that a combination of architectural styles were used and a departure from the Victorian architectural style in the early 1900's.



126 Burton Avenue

- ◇ Listed 2014
- ◇ This home is thought to have been built and owned by Henry Dollery whom developed similar houses in the area. Alike buildings can be found lining Burton Avenue, enhancing the streetscape. The featured property dates back to the early 1900's and continues to be well maintained presently.



90 William Street

- ◆ Listed 2021
- ◆ Henry Holgate bought this property in 1888 from James Burton and soon after built this residence. The house has two fronts, one facing the street and the other facing the garden. The street façade presents a fine verandah with striking, geometric woodwork. This is the birthplace in 1892 of Group of Seven artist Edwin Holgate. In 1899, the Gibsons purchased the house and their daughter, Jenny, is remembered as the Allandale night telephone operator.



22 Granville Street

- ◇ Listed 2016
- ◇ This 1.5 story nineteenth century home has nicely detailed brickwork featuring alternating colours, decorated by a gable



87 Owen Street

- ❖ Not Listed
- ❖ The house is a unique residential design that combines elements of the Victorian, Second Empire, and Gothic Revival styles, making it unique rather than representative.
- ❖ Historically, the home is associated with architect Thomas Kennedy and his family, who lived there for 17 years. Kennedy is recognized as a prolific architect whose work shaped many civic, institutional, and residential buildings in Barrie and across southern Ontario.



250 Dunlop Street W

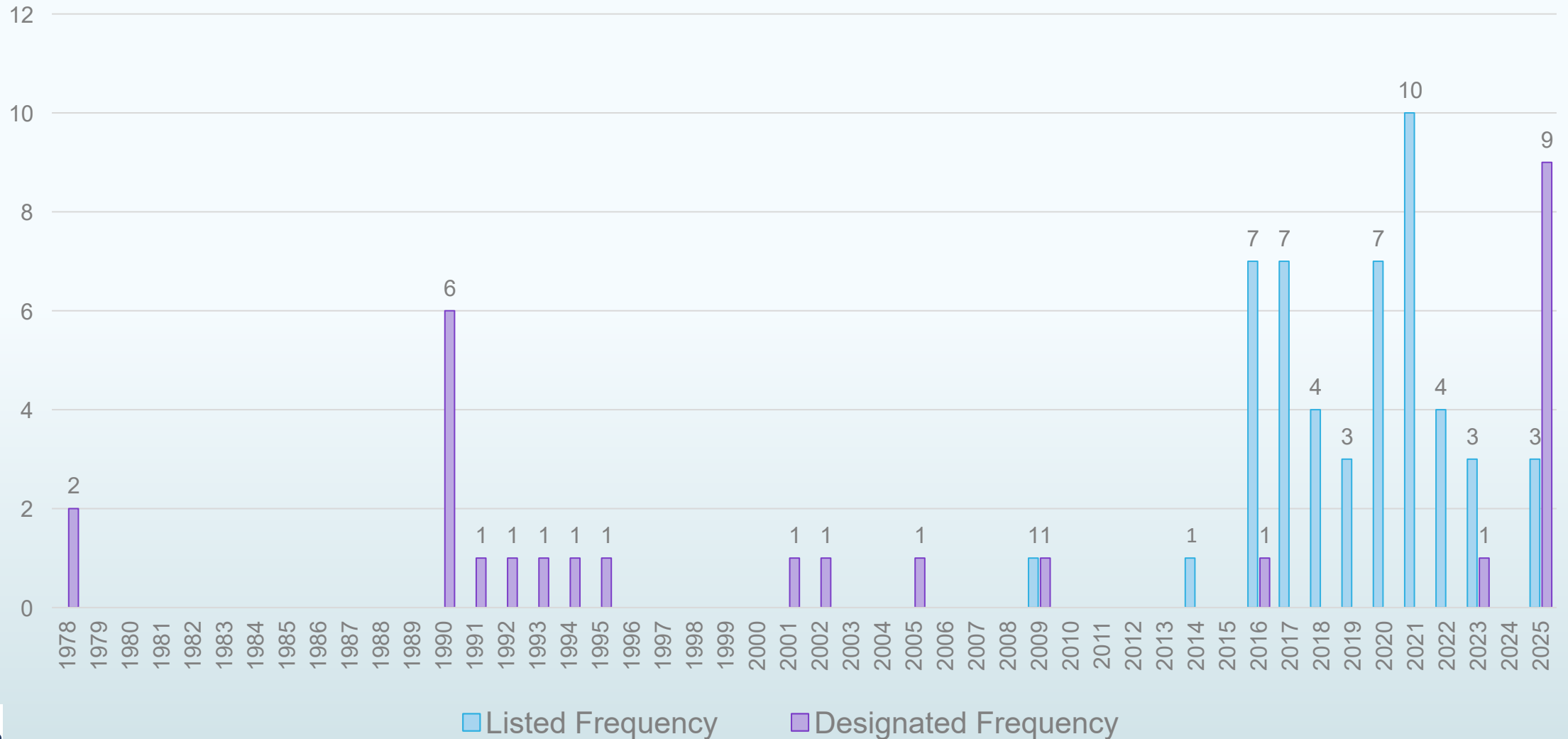
- ◆ Listed 2018
- ◆ Exquisite spool work is displayed in the veranda and balcony, representing an earlier style of design. The pitched roof is ornamented by bargeboard.



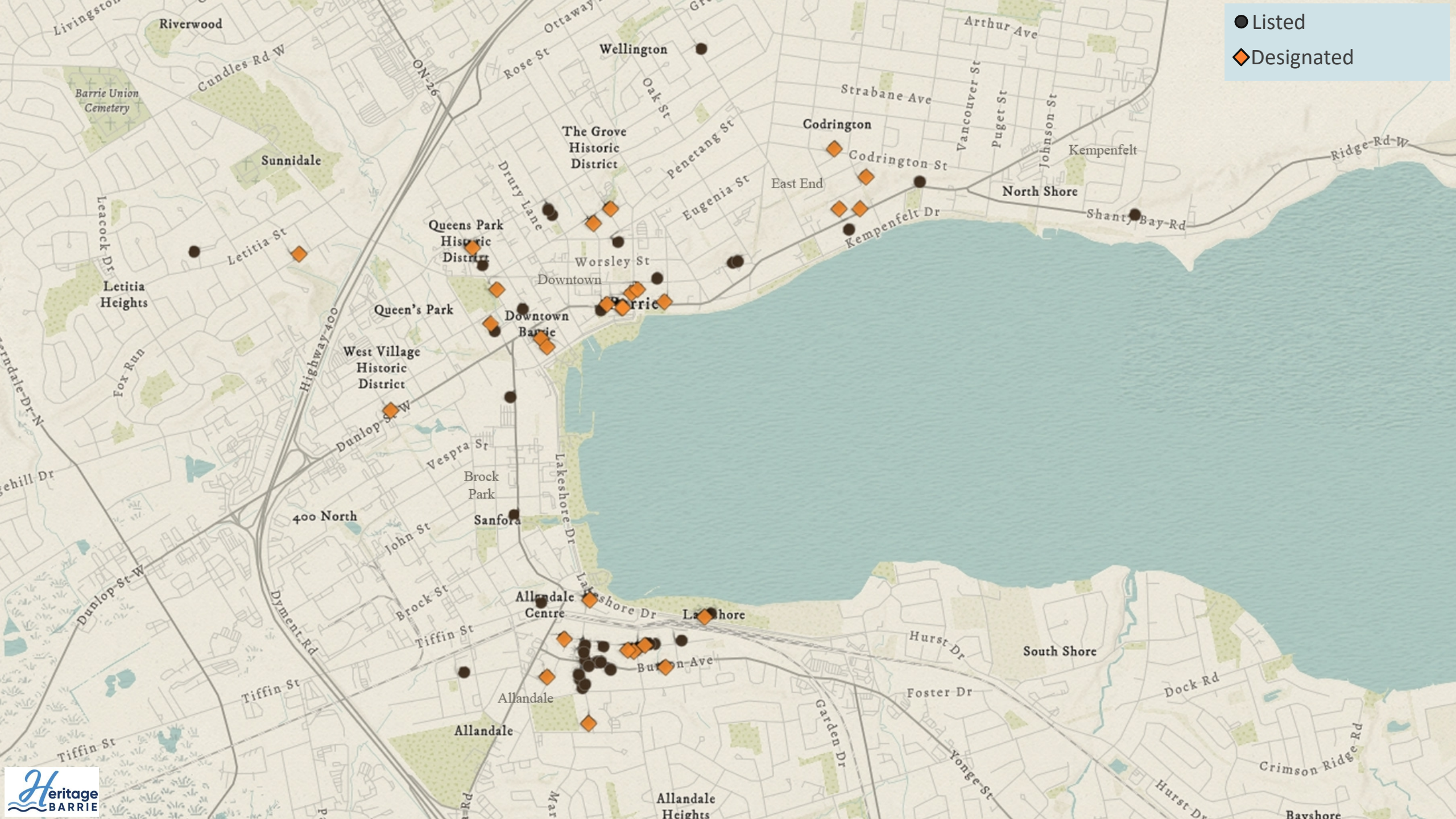
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Registered Properties

Number of Listed & Designated Properties Registered by Year



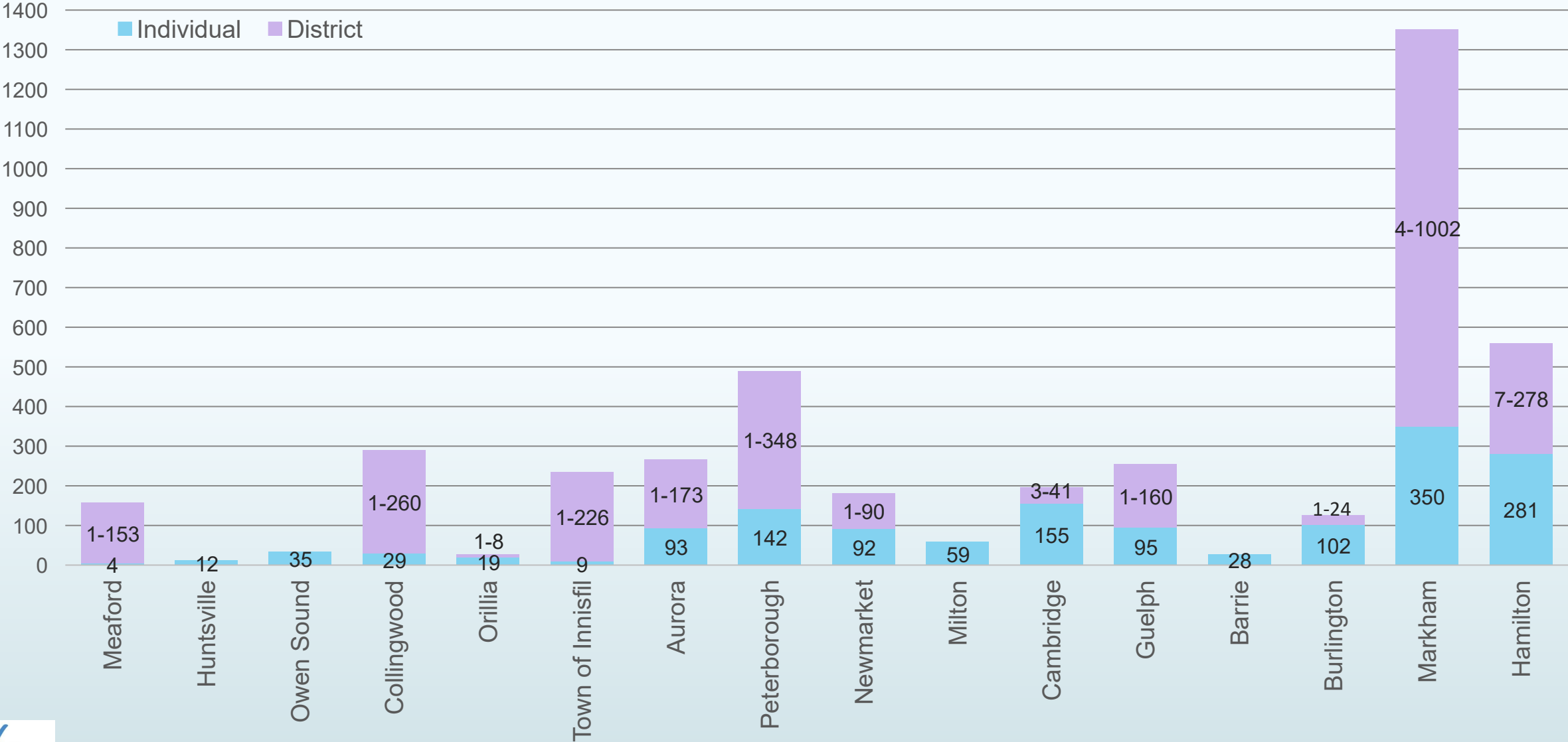
- Listed
- ◆ Designated



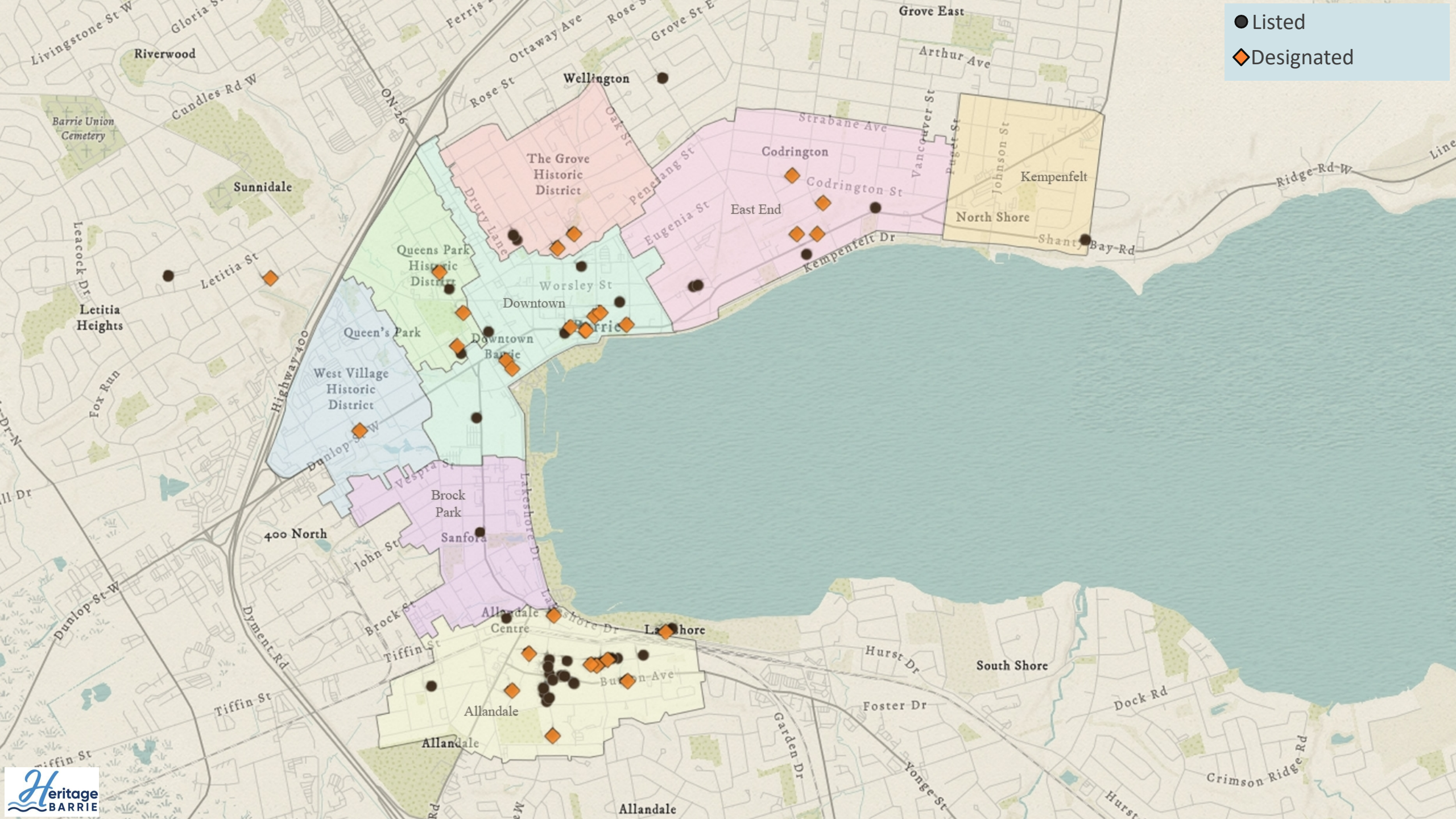
Heritage Conservation Districts

- ◆ Identify areas of distinct heritage character
- ◆ Over 141 Districts in Ontario, over 53 Municipalities
- ◆ Over 22,419 Designated Properties within the Districts
- ◆ Districts typically include multiple properties, but can include a single one like Fort York
- ◆ Some HCD date back to the 1980s
- ◆ HCDs, including both contributing and non-contributing properties
- ◆ Heritage districts go beyond the built structure, preserving more of the district's atmosphere and character
- ◆ Uncover histories of a community
- ◆ Greater sense of community and connection with the community
- ◆ New builds complement a district's character and can inspire creative architecture
- ◆ Tangible link to the past rather than interpretive signs
- ◆ Attract tourist
- ◆ Promotes adaptive reuse
- ◆ Protect the investments of property owners
- ◆ District plan guides future change
- ◆ Can help Land Use Planning objectives of building healthy communities
- ◆ Positive effect on real estate

Designated Heritage Comparison



- Listed
- ◆ Designated



Cultural heritage properties and landscapes hold the memories of the people who worked, represented and built the communities which have formed the City today.

Preserving heritage isn't just about protecting architecture – it's about honouring the communities and individuals that helped to shape our City and ensuring future generations can experience that legacy.

Thank You

Questions?