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Re: **CAPITAL – CONSTRUCTION COSTS**

In March 2022, the Government of Canada informed End Homelessness Winnipeg of additional funds becoming available for Community Entities administering Canada's Homelessness Strategy Reaching Home Program. These funds are separate from the base funding provided to End Homelessness Winnipeg. The additional funding will be for each of the next two years, starting in 2022-2023 and may not be provided beyond March 31, 2024.

Community priorities identified, and in need of further investment, include funding capital projects that will increase the housing supply. Eligible projects include new construction, and conversions (renovations) from non-residential use to transitional or supportive housing units. The project MUST increase the supply of transitional and supportive housing units available in Winnipeg. Funding is not intended to renovate existing housing supply.

Projects in progress:

A portion of additional funding will be made available for projects that:

1. Have partial funding in place and are ready to commence construction or
2. Are already under construction and require additional funds to complete the project.

In addition, above projects must have confirmed operation funding in place.

New Projects:

A maximum amount of \$3,000,000 will be available for construction costs for projects that seek to increase the supply of transitional and supportive housing units available in Winnipeg. To be eligible, operational funds need to be confirmed for providing transitional or supportive services and the operation for the building.

Request for Letters of Interest:

If your organization has capacity and your Capital project is underway or is nearing completion and in need of additional funds to complete, please submit an expression of interest letter requesting to be considered.

In the letter include:

- Capacity and experience of organization in delivering transitional or supportive housing, as well as any partnerships involved in project.
- A description of the project envisioned.
- The target population of the project and the number of transitional or supportive housing units to be developed.
- Anticipated project time frame – beginning and end date.





- Location of project, if a site has been identified, and status of land (ie. Is it already owned by the applicant). If a site has not been identified, a description of the preferred area or neighbourhood(s).
- How the project will be managed.
- A budget for 2022-2023 and 2023-2024 that includes all costs associated with construction of project, other funders and portion of project funds are being requested for (budget template included on attachment).
- Any program specific details that are unique to your services.

Funding priority will be given to projects that:

- Increase the number of transitional or supportive housing units available in Winnipeg (create net new housing units).
- Support people to choose where they want to live.
- Serve population most in need.
- Will house people referred through Coordinated Access.
- Are Indigenous led.

Please keep in mind that all funds and activities must be completed by March 31, 2024.

The End Homelessness Community Entity and Community Advisory Board will review the requests and recommend which organizations will be asked to submit a full application.

Please send your letter of interest and proposed budget by Monday August 15, 2022, at 4:00 p.m., to:

rhadmin@endhomelessnesswinnipeg.ca.

If you have questions, please send them to rhadmin@endhomelessnesswinnipeg.ca. End Homelessness Winnipeg – Reaching Home staff will respond to your questions.

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