



Progress on the National Housing Strategy

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Canada's National Housing Strategy (NHS) sets a long-term vision that focuses on improving housing outcomes for those in greatest need.

Launched in 2017, the NHS is currently a 10-year, \$82+ billion plan to give more people in Canada a place to call home.

The NHS consists of complementary housing programs and initiatives that aim to address needs across the housing continuum, prioritizing Canada's most vulnerable populations.

Progress on the programs and initiatives under the Strategy are updated quarterly or as available.

Federal NHS Initiatives

Key Highlights:

Since the launch of the NHS, CMHC has committed \$24.99 billion through Federal NHS Initiatives to support:

- The creation and repair of 230,485 units (106,501 new units and repair to 123,984 units).
 - 186,594 units are currently under construction or have been repaired/built.
- The continuing availability of 41,362 community housing units (FCHI Phase II) where operating agreements expired, through direct support for 8,948 low-income community housing units.

Create New/Modernize Existing Housing Supply

Program	Launch Date	Funding	Target	Progress to date
<u>Affordable Housing Innovation Fund</u>	September 30, 2016	Phase 1: \$208.3 million over 5 years from 2016/17 to 2020/21	Phase 1: 4,000 affordable housing units created using innovative business approaches and building techniques.	Phase 1: \$208.30 million committed to support the creation of 19,100 units, of which 16,572 will be affordable. For Phase 1, 14,959 units are financial commitments and 4,141 units are currently under construction or built.
	August 30, 2022	Phase 2: \$550.8 million over 6 years from 2022/23-2027/28	Phase 2: at least 10,800 housing units created.	Phase 2: \$50.77 million committed to support the creation of 233 units, of which 141 will be affordable.
<u>Rental Construction Financing Initiative</u>	April 20, 2017	\$25.75 billion over 11 years from 2017/18 to 2027/28	Construction of more than 71,000 new rental housing units across Canada.	CMHC has committed \$14.77 billion in loans to support the creation of 41,501 units. Of the 41,501 units, <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 10,329 are conditional commitments; • 2,638 are financial commitments; • 20,801 units are currently under construction; • 7,733 units are built.
<u>Federal Lands Initiative</u>	February 11, 2019	\$202 million over 10 years from 2018/19 to 2027/28	Create 4,000 housing units by transferring surplus federal lands and buildings to housing providers at low or no cost.	CMHC has committed \$118.02 million to support the creation of 3,904 units, of which 1,680 will be affordable. Of the 3,904 units, 975 units are conditional commitments, and 2,929 units are financial commitments.

<u>National Housing Co-Investment Fund</u>	May 2, 2018	\$13.17 billion over 10 years from 2018/19 to 2027/28	Create 60,000 new housing units and repair or renew 240,000 housing units	<p>CMHC has committed \$6.98 billion to support the creation of 30,217 new units (20,145 affordable) and the repair/renewal of 123,984 units (113,754 affordable).</p> <p>Of the \$6.98 billion, \$4.02 billion are loans and \$2.96 billion are contributions/forgivable loans.</p> <p>New Units Of the 30,217 new units, 5,835 units are conditional commitments, 14,771 units are in progress, and 9,611 units are built. This includes commitments to make 1,123 shelter spaces or transitional housing units available for survivors of gender-based violence, 6,484 housing units for seniors, and 901 units for people with developmental disabilities.</p> <p>Repair/Renewal Units Of the 123,984 repair units, 4,708 units are conditional commitments, 85,767 units are in progress, and 33,509 units are repaired/renewed. This includes commitments to repair/renew 302 shelter spaces or transitional housing units for survivors of gender-based violence, and 43,922 senior units.</p>
<u>Rapid Housing Initiative</u>	October 27, 2020	Round 1: \$1 billion over 2 years from 2020/21 to 2021/22.	Round 1: Create over 3,000 affordable housing units	<p>Under Round 1, CMHC has committed \$1 billion to support the creation of 4,763 new affordable units. Of the 4,763 affordable housing units committed, of which 2,344 units are built and 2,419 currently under construction.</p> <p>Of the total units committed in Round 1, 1802 units are for Indigenous peoples, 1380 units are for homeless people or those at risk of being homeless, and 741 units are for seniors.</p>
	June 30, 2021	Round 2: \$1.5 billion for 1 year in 2021/22.	Round 2: Create over 4,500 affordable housing units	<p>Under Round 2, CMHC has committed \$1.5 billion to support the creation of 5,508 new affordable units.</p> <p>Of the 5,508 affordable housing units are committed, of which 662 units are built and 4,846 units are currently under construction.</p> <p>Of the total units committed in Round 2, 2439 units are for Indigenous peoples, 1142 units are for homeless people or those at risk of being homeless, and 559 units are for seniors.</p>
	November 10, 2022	Round 3: \$1.5 billion over 2 years from 2022/23 to 2023/24.	Round 3: Create over 4,500 affordable housing units	<p>Under Round 3, CMHC has committed \$442.51 millions to support the creation of 1,275 new affordable units.</p>

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Regional Breakdown of Federal NHS Supply Initiatives

The breakdown includes the latest results for the Affordable Housing Innovation Fund, the Rental Construction Financing Initiative, the National Housing Co-Investment Fund, the Federal Lands Initiative and the Rapid Housing Initiative. It includes commitments for loans and contributions for new and repaired units.

These programs are application-based with funding prioritized for non-profit, co-operative, municipal, provincial and Indigenous applications.

Through these five federal NHS supply programs, \$24.99 billion has been committed in new and repaired housing units across Canada.

	Atlantic	Quebec	Ontario	Prairies	British Columbia	Territories	Total
Affordable Housing Innovation Fund							
Funding (\$M)		\$49	\$57	\$10	\$88	\$3	\$208
Units/Beds		2,665	7,822	463	8,142	8	19,100
Affordable Housing Innovation Fund 2							
Funding (\$M)				\$11			\$11
Units/Beds				133			133
Federal Land Initiative							
Funding (\$M)	\$11	\$1	\$49	\$10	\$48		\$118
Units/Beds	295	12	2,178	467	952		3,904
National Housing Co-Investment Fund							
Funding (\$M)	\$197	\$437	\$3,948	\$805	\$1,310	\$276	\$6,973
Units/Beds	3,124	10,249	115,583	8,522	15,186	1,537	154,201
Rapid Housing Initiative							
Funding (\$M)	\$45	\$223	\$366	\$142	\$206	\$19	\$1,002
Units/Beds	300	1,698	1,147	843	692	83	4,763
Rapid Housing Initiative 2							
Funding (\$M)	\$70	\$340	\$530	\$256	\$186	\$77	\$1,460
Units/Beds	378	1,503	1,650	1,221	507	249	5,508
Rapid Housing Initiative 3							
Funding (\$M)	\$46		\$253	\$58	\$70	\$15	\$443
Units/Beds	177		668	242	161	27	1,275
Rental Construction Financing Initiative							
Funding (\$M)	\$670	\$2,200	\$6,858	\$483	\$4,539	\$22	\$14,772
Units/Beds	2,193	6,879	19,177	2,035	11,130	87	41,501

*Innovation Fund 2 does not include \$40M and 100 units (Provinces/Territories unavailable)

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How progress is tracked

Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation tracks and reports on progress at four different phases:

1. **Conditional Commitment:** funding is earmarked to support the building or repair of units for which formal project agreement is still subject to final approvals and conditions (Letter of Intent is signed);
2. **Financial Commitment:** formal loan agreement is duly executed and a binding agreement is reached to provide credit under pre-specified terms and conditions (Letter of Agreement is signed);
3. **Construction/Repair Underway:** in the process of being built or repaired; and,
4. **Completed:** built or repaired.

Construction Timelines

Construction takes time – it can take years for planning, permitting, site preparation and design for a project to come to fruition. The completion of a new construction or renovated multi-unit affordable housing project can take up to 3 years after the funding is provided.

Funding under the National Housing Strategy can be delivered over several years – extending the time to complete an affordable housing project. See the [Road Map for Building a New Home](#) for more details.

Funding to Support the Community (Social) Housing Sector

Program	Launch Date	Funding	Target	Progress To date
<u>Federal Community Housing Initiative (FCHI)</u>	April 1, 2018 (Phase I)	\$38 million over 2 years from 2017/18 to 2019/20	Funding for community housing providers to support 55,000 community housing units, as well as 13,700 low-income households through 2027-28.	Over \$42 million to extend subsidies to 25,706 households was provided during Phase 1 of the program which sunset in 2019-20.
	September 1, 2020 (Phase II)	\$580.2 million over 8 years from 2020-2021 to 2027/28	Support of 11,000 low-income units, plus an additional 2,700 low-income units, announced in budget 2021, with operating agreements under federal administration through CMHC.	Since 2020-21, \$82.99 million in rent assistance was provided to 8,948 low-income households, supporting 41,362 community housing units.
<u>Community Housing Transformation Centre (CHTC)</u> and Sector Transformation Fund (STF)	April 11, 2019 (CHTC) December 2019 (STF)	\$64.2 million over 10 years from 2018/19 to 2027/28	Increase knowledge and technical capacity of the community housing sector to support effective and sustainable business models while continuing to provide affordable housing. Funding and tools for housing providers to support efficient and effective business models.	Established in June 2019, CHTC is a non-profit organization led by an Executive Director and a Board of Directors. CHTC delivers the Sector Transformation Fund. \$27.9 million has been provided to the CHTC to setup operations, cover operating and program-eligible costs, and provide funding to 247 STF applications. Project areas of impact include the Environment, Indigenous, Local Projects, Sector Growth, Sectoral Impact, Social Inclusion and Sustainable Business. Many examples can be found on the CHTC website .
Community Based Tenant Initiative (CBTI)	December 2019	\$10 million over 4 years from 2019/20 to 2022/23	Funding for local organizations that assist people in housing need to enable participation in housing decision-making.	\$10.0 million to support 171 CBTI applications.

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One Time Direct Support Payments

Initiative	Launch Date	Funding	Target	Progress to Date
<u>One-time top-up to the Canada Housing Benefit</u>	December 12, 2022	\$1.2B over 1 year in 2022/23	Assist up to 1.8 million eligible households.	\$393.43 million to support 798,530 applications.

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Reaching Home: Canada's Homelessness Strategy*

Initiative	Launch Date	Funding	Target	Progress to Date
<u>Reaching Home</u> *	April 1, 2019	\$3.1B over 10 years from 2018/19 to 2027/28	Reduce chronic homelessness nationally by 50% by March 2028.	Redesigned federal homelessness program launched on <u>April 1, 2019</u> . Over 1,200 projects were launched in the first six months of Reaching Home \$215 million in annual funding is expected to be delivered by the end of 2021-22.

*Program was led by Employment and Social Development Canada and transferred to Infrastructure Canada on April 1, 2022.

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Improving Homeownership Options for Canadians

Initiative	Launch date	Funding	Target	Progress to date
<u>Shared Equity Mortgage Provider (SEMP) Fund</u>	July 31, 2019	\$100 million over 6 years from 2019/20 to 2024/25	Assist 1,500 first-time homebuyers and assist in the creation of 1,500 new homeownership units	\$28.95 million committed to assist in the creation of 1,018 new homeownership units.
<u>First-Time Home Buyer Incentive</u>	September 2, 2019	\$1.25 billion over 5 years from 2019/20 to 2023/24	Assist up to 100,000 first-time homebuyers	CMHC has approved 19,438 applications, representing \$347.5 million in Shared Equity Mortgages.

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First-Time Home Buyer Incentive by Region

	Alberta	Quebec	Prairies and North	Atlantic	Ontario	British Columbia
Approved Applications (#)	6280	6525	2796	1913	1236	688
Funded Applications (#)	5944	6236	2711	1855	1197	655
Approved Shared Equity Mortgages (\$)	\$130,829,418	\$109,846,279	\$44,501,619	\$25,368,130	\$23,171,988	\$13,762,483
Funded Shared Equity Mortgages (\$)	\$123,516,591	\$104,502,564	\$42,949,008	\$24,546,415	\$22,260,432	\$12,907,303

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Human Rights-Based Approach to Housing

Initiative	Launch Date	Description	Progress to Date
<u>National Housing Strategy Act</u>	N/A	The Act recognizes the right to adequate housing as a fundamental human right affirmed in international law. The Act requires the federal government to maintain a National Housing Strategy to further housing policy, taking into account key principles of a human rights-based approach to housing, and report to Parliament every three years on the progress towards the Strategy's goals and outcomes.	Tabled in Parliament on April 8, 2019, as part of Bill C-97, and received Royal Assent on June 21, 2019. The NHS Act came into force on July 9, 2019.
<u>National Housing Council</u>	November 22, 2020	The Council, with diverse representation, will further housing policy by providing advice to the responsible Minister on, among other things, the effectiveness of the National Housing Strategy with the aim of improving housing outcomes.	<p>The Council continues to meet quarterly. The Council has a work plan for 2021-2023 including three priority areas: 1) Progressive Realization of the Right to Adequate Housing, 2) Improving the National Housing Strategy and 3) Urban, Rural and Northern (URN) Indigenous Housing.</p> <p>Recommendations on Urban, Rural and Northern Indigenous housing sent to the Minister in March of 2022. In January 2023 the Council published its intent to proceed with the first review panel on the Financialization of purpose-built rental housing, and the panel published its terms of reference on March 16.</p>
<u>Federal Housing Advocate</u>	2020	The Federal Housing Advocate is an appointment by the Governor in Council and supported by the Canadian Human Rights Commission . The Federal Housing Advocate's mandate includes consulting with members of vulnerable groups and working directly with communities affected by systemic housing issues. The Advocate may request that the National Housing Council establish a review panel to hold a hearing to review any systemic housing issue within federal jurisdiction. The Advocate also monitors and reports annually on their findings related to systemic housing issues that they hear about and associated recommendations.	<p>On February 3, 2022, the Minister of Housing and Diversity and Inclusion announced the appointment of the new Federal Housing Advocate, Marie-Josée Houle. Read the Honourable Ahmed Hussen's statement.</p> <p>The Federal Housing Advocate's 2021-2022 Annual Report summarizes the Advocate's activities and proposes 6 recommendations to address systemic housing issues. The Minister of Housing and Diversity and Inclusion tabled both the report and his response to the report in Parliament on June 16, 2022.</p> <p>In September 2022, the Federal Housing Advocate requested that the National Housing Council establish a review panel to review the issue of the financialization of purpose-built rental housing. On December 8, 2022, the Council passed a motion to proceed with the review panel as requested by the Federal Housing Advocate; work is underway.</p>

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Data, Innovation & Research

\$541 million will be invested in new data collection tools, demonstration projects, Housing Supply Challenge and solutions labs, and efforts to spur more housing-related research, within and external to government, to help diversify information sources and perspectives.

A total of nine new Data, Innovation and Research initiatives were launched in 2018 to better understand housing needs, conditions and markets, and to fill data gaps and inform decision-makers.

Innovation

Initiative	Launch Date	Funding Available	Target	Progress to Date
<u>Solutions Labs</u>	May 21, 2018	\$24.5 million from 2018/19 to 2027/28	Support experts and housing stakeholders to incubate and scale potential solutions to housing affordability pressures.	\$14.2 million to support 66 solutions labs fostering innovation in the housing sector.
<u>Demonstrations Initiative</u>	May 21, 2018	\$12.5 million over 10 years	Support demonstrations of forward-looking technologies, practices and strategies that explore the future of housing in Canada.	\$7.2 million to support 45 demonstration projects.
<u>Housing Supply Challenge</u>	October 23, 2020	\$300 million over 5 years from 2020/21 to 2024/25	The Housing Supply Challenge (HSC) invites citizens, stakeholders, and experts from across Canada to propose innovative solutions to the barriers that limit the housing supply. The Housing Supply Challenge will result in new ideas and solutions that will help more people find an affordable place to call home.	First round of the Challenge launched in October 2020; 14 projects were funded for a total of \$25.4M. The second round of the Challenge launched in June 2021; 14 projects were funded for a total of \$38.2M. The third round of the Challenge launched in February 2022; 33 projects were shortlisted to move onto the next stage of the Challenge. Funding decisions will be announced in November 2023. The fourth round of the Challenge launched in December 2022 and funding decisions will be announced in March 2024.

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Capacity Building

Initiative	Launch Date	Funding Available	Target	Progress to Date
<u>Housing Research Scholarship Program</u>	Spring 2018	\$3.65 million over 10 years	Funding for postdoctoral fellowships to help build housing expertise in Canada.	\$2.16 million in scholarships awarded for 24 postdoctoral fellowships to conduct research in support of the NHS.
<u>CMHC Housing Research Award Program</u>	April 2018	\$500,000 over 10 years	Promote and extend world-class housing research.	Awards ceremonies held in November 2018, December 2019, November 2020 and November 2021. The 2022 recipients will be featured in a video, which will be posted to the CMHC Awards program page and to CMHC social media in April 2023. 15 awards and 4 travel bursaries for a total of \$220,000.
<u>Collaborative Housing Research Network</u>	July 12, 2018	\$13.9 million over 10 years	Canada-wide collaboration of academics and community partners in research to inform housing policy decision-making	\$640,000 awarded to 8 Partnership Development Grants (\$80,000 each) to help lay the foundation of the Network. Research Network created by supporting 6 multi-year team grants. Investment for first 5 years is \$7.9 million.

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Thought Leadership

Initiative	Launch Date	Funding Available	Target	Progress to Date
<u>NHS Research and Planning Fund</u>	June 18, 2018	\$6.6 million over 10 years	Support non-profit housing stakeholders seeking to undertake housing related research.	\$3.7 million has been awarded to 30 research proposals.
NHS Housing Needs Data	Fall 2018	\$62 million over 10 years	Enhance data collection and analysis, development of new housing surveys and comprehensive databases with social, economic and financial information to produce housing statistics.	<p>2 new surveys created to better understand housing conditions and experiences in Canada, including for those living in social and affordable housing.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Results from the second <u>Canadian Housing Survey (Statistics Canada)</u> Results from the second <u>Social and Affordable Housing Survey – Rental Structures (CMHC)</u> <p>Creation of foundational documents necessary to initiate a mortgage industry data standards organization in Canada.</p> <p>Survey of Non-Bank Residential Mortgage Lenders to get a more complete picture of the overall Mortgage Market in Canada.</p> <p>Progress towards the building on a database of all social housing across Canada.</p> <p>Progress towards building of a database on residential evictions.</p>

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Enabling/Connecting

Initiative	Launch Date	Description	Progress to Date
<u>Expert Community on Housing (ECOH)</u>	November 21, 2018	Web-based virtual community of practice for housing experts to address challenges and problems in housing.	Currently hosting over 1,900 members with on-going intake of new members.
<u>National Housing Conference</u>	2018/19	Annual conference to bring industry experts together.	<p>CMHC hosted a national housing conference in 2018/19. Due to COVID, the 2020/21 conference was cancelled and none were held in 2021/22 and 2022/23.</p> <p>CMHC is planning the next National Housing Conference to take place at the end of 2023/24.</p>

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Commitments and Expenditures

The following two tables provide an overview of capital commitments and expenditures made for both new and repaired housing units under the NHS. Capital commitments are tracked by calendar year, and expenditures are tracked by fiscal year.

Capital Commitments	\$14,930M
2017	\$84M
2018	\$405M
2019	\$2,642M
2020	\$3,412M
2021	\$4,109M
2022	\$4,044M
2023	\$234M
Expenditures	\$3,995M
2016/17	\$10M
2017/18	\$70M
2018/19	\$0M
2019/20	\$155M
2020/21	\$1,206M
2021/22	\$1,828M
2022/23	\$725M

*These numbers include the following initiatives: Affordable Housing Innovation Fund, First Time Home Buyers Initiative, Rental Construction Financing Initiative, National Housing Co-Investment Fund, Rapid Housing Initiative, Federal Lands Initiative and Shared Equity Mortgage Provider Fund.

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Federal/Provincial/Territorial NHS Investments

On April 9, 2018, a new [Federal/Provincial/Territorial \(FPT\) Housing Partnership Framework](#) was endorsed by all FPT Ministers responsible for housing (except Quebec), setting the foundation for NHS initiatives cost-matched and delivered by provinces and territories.

The Government has [bilateral agreements](#) with all 13 Provinces and Territories representing over \$15.2 billion in joint funding over 10 years (2018/19-2027/28) to protect, renew and expand community housing, and support provincial priorities related to housing repair, construction and affordability.

- **Alberta:** joint investment of \$1.1 billion
- **British Columbia:** joint investment of \$1.5 billion
- **Manitoba:** joint investment of almost \$605.4 million
- **New Brunswick:** joint investment of \$397.5 million
- **Newfoundland and Labrador:** joint investment of \$345.0 million
- **Northwest Territories:** joint investment of \$158.6 million
- **Nova Scotia:** joint investment of \$513.8 million
- **Nunavut:** joint investment of \$357.2 million
- **Ontario:** joint investment of \$5.8 billion
- **Prince Edward Island:** joint investment of \$43.4 million
- **Quebec:** joint investment of \$3.7 billion
- **Saskatchewan:** joint investment of \$584.9 million
- **Yukon:** joint investment of \$78.0 million

The most recent action plans are linked below:

- [Alberta](#)
- [British Columbia](#)
- [Manitoba](#)
- [New Brunswick](#)
- [Newfoundland and Labrador](#)
- [Northwest Territories](#)
- [Nova Scotia](#)
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How progress is tracked

Progress is tracked once claims and/or reporting on progress related to funding commitments from provinces and territories have been received and processed.

Federal/Provincial and Territorial NHS Initiatives

Canada Community Housing Initiative: provides predictable, long-term funding to protect, regenerate and expand social and community housing, including social housing under legacy programs for urban Indigenous households in need.

PT Priority: supports regional needs and priorities, such as increasing the affordable housing supply, maintaining existing stock, and providing financial support to vulnerable Canadians.

Canada Housing Benefit: provides affordability support directly to households in need through programs co-developed with each PT to reflect their unique context and circumstances.

Northern Funding: will help address the unique needs and challenges faced in the North with additional funding for each of the three territories to enhance the other initiatives.

Joint Funding Commitments

Initiative	Total Funding Allocation until 2027/28	Federal Funding Committed	P/T Funding Committed
Canada Community Housing Initiative	\$8.6 billion	\$656.0 million	\$966.0 million
P/T Priorities Funding	\$2.2 billion	\$603 million	\$1.42 billion
Canada Housing Benefit	\$4.0 billion	\$184.6 million	\$367.4 million
Northern Funding*	\$300 million	\$149.14 million	N/A

*Northern Funding does not require Territorial cost-matching.

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Progress against National Housing Strategy Targets

Indicator	PTs reported progress	Target by 2027/28	Progress %
Preservation of Social Housing	TBD	330,000 units	TBD
Expansion of Rent-Assisted Units	TBD	50,000 units	TBD
Repairing Social Housing Units	TBD	60,000 units	TBD
Households Assisted through the CHB	TBD	300,000 units	TBD

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Provincial and Territorial Action Plan 2027/28 Targets

The bilateral agreements with each Province and Territory set the target for Social Housing Units Preserved.

Province/Territory	Expansion of Rent Assisted Units	Households Assisted through CHB	Households whose housing need is significantly reduced or eliminated	New housing units created	No net loss of Urban Native Housing units for low-income households	Repairing Social Housing Units	Retained Urban Native Housing Units are repaired to good condition	Social Housing Units Preserved
Alberta	3,555	35,511	12,425	3,555	507	4,740	507	12,620
British Columbia	5,174	25,123	69,985	6,387	1,483	6,934	1,766	28,967
Manitoba	2,108	17,619	48,219	937	625	5,470	663	22,031
New Brunswick	1,262	6,679	33,375	1,262	52	1,991	52	9,954
Newfoundland and Labrador	854	2,602	21,853	894	75	1,197	75	5,957
Northwest Territories	100	532	2,117	82	67	312	10	602
Nova Scotia	1,591	6,074	17,228	674	106	3,000	111	8,580
Nunavut	244	670	1,239	244	0	325	0	1,625
Ontario	19,660	50,623	243,287	3,123	1,452	26,213	1,452	131,063
Prince Edward Island	144	2,203	8,807	144	0	257	0	448
Quebec	9,544	78,090	0	53,002	0	9,223	0	63,630
Saskatchewan	2,467	12,425	56,892	511	249	3,290	165	9,424
Yukon	81	498	6,100	81	0	108	0	543
Total	46,784	238,649	521,527	70,896	4,616	63,060	4,801	295,444

Update:

- We are working with Provinces and Territories to provide an update on the progress of programs under the bilateral agreements and against the National Housing Strategy targets. We expect this data will be available shortly.

National Housing Strategy Overall

Key Highlights

- Overall, under the National Housing Strategy, we have made \$33.69 billion* in commitments as of March 31, 2023.
- This will support the creation of 107,519 new housing units and 123,984 repaired housing units.**
- Funding committed is expected to create 49,866*** new affordable housing units, affordability support for 8,948**** households as of March 31, 2023.

Women and Their Children

- As of March 31, 2023, the NHS has committed an estimated \$10.44 billion towards meeting the housing needs of women and their children, which includes funding for the construction, repair and support of 265,681 housing units. This includes funding committed and spent under the National Housing Co-Investment Fund, Rental Construction Financing Initiative, Federal Lands Initiative, Affordable Housing Innovation Fund, Rapid Housing Initiative, Federal Community Housing Initiative, Canada Community Housing Initiative, Community Housing Transformation Centre and Research and Data Initiative, Indigenous Shelter and Transitional Housing Initiative as well as funding spent under legacy agreements to support community housing.

Of the \$10.44 billion, \$2.22 billion is targeting the needs of women and their children, and \$8.21 billion is supporting the needs of women and their children.

- This represents 32% of all NHS funding committed.
- Since the numbers above are a percentage of NHS investments and available information will increase with time, the percentage is expected to fluctuate each quarter.

[Learn more about how the NHS serves women and their children.](#)

*Does not include PT cost matching.

**These figures include only the federal initiatives, future reporting will include all NHS activities including PT activities.

***Includes National Housing Co-Investment Fund, Federal Lands Initiative, Innovation Fund, and Rapid Housing Initiative.

****Includes only Federal Community Housing Initiative.

Indigenous and Northern Housing

Improving Housing Conditions (First Nation, Inuit & Métis Housing)

Meeting the housing needs of Indigenous communities is a priority under Canada’s National Housing Strategy. Projects serving the needs of Indigenous peoples and families are prioritized for funding under all of the Strategy’s programs. There is also programming and funding exclusively for Indigenous and Northern housing.

NHS Funding Exclusively for Indigenous and Northern Housing

\$420M	\$138.1M	\$200M	\$300M	\$627.7M
through the Indigenous Shelter and Transitional Housing Initiative	through the National Housing Co-Investment Fund	through the Canada Community Housing Initiative	through Funding for the Northern Territories	through Reaching Home: Canada’s Homelessness Strategy

- **\$420 million through the Indigenous Shelter and Transitional Housing Initiative** to build a minimum of 38 shelters and 50 new transitional homes for Indigenous women, children and LGBTQ2S+ people escaping gender-based violence.
 - **\$76.0 million** have been conditionally or financially committed toward the construction of 11 shelters and 18 transitional homes.
- **\$25 million through the National Housing Co-Investment Fund** to repair 560 units in the existing urban Indigenous community housing stock.
 - \$5 million has been conditionally or financially committed toward the repair of 144 units.
- **\$13.1 million through the National Housing Co-Investment Fund for 2 emergency shelters** in the territories. This is part of the \$44.8 million 2020 Shelter Initiative for Indigenous women and children escaping family violence. This initiative is supporting the construction of 12 Indigenous shelters across Canada. There will be:
 - 2 in the territories funded through the National Housing Co-Investment Fund.
 - 10 in First Nations communities in the provinces, funded through CMHC’s On-Reserve Shelter Enhancement Program.
- **\$100 million through the National Housing Co-Investment Fund** to support the construction and repair of Housing in the Northwest Territories and Yukon.
 - \$92.5 million has been conditionally or financially committed to support the development of 260 new units.

- **\$200 million through the Canada Community Housing Initiative (under the Housing Partnership Framework)** to support 7,000 units in the existing urban Indigenous community housing stock so they continue to be made available to low-income households.
 - \$17.8 million has been committed toward the support of 2,006 units, including repairs for 1,533 units.
- **\$300 million through Funding for the Northern Territories.** Progress to date is listed above, under Federal/Provincial/Territorial NHS Investments.
- **\$627.7 million through Reaching Home: Canada's Homelessness Strategy** to address Indigenous homelessness predominantly in urban centers. This includes:
 - \$455.6 million through an Indigenous Homelessness stream to maintain the community-based approach and to continue to address local priorities, and
 - \$172.1 million to be invested in priorities determined in collaboration with Indigenous partners. \$10 million of this funding has been allocated for communities in the territories.
- **Legacy funding to support First Nations housing on reserve.** Between April 2021 and March 2022, CMHC invested \$219 million to support:
 - 600 newly constructed homes
 - 500 renovated homes
 - 23,950 households receiving subsidies

Funding through NHS Programs of General Application

Federal Supply Initiatives

\$3.79 billion has been conditionally or financially committed through the federal supply initiatives. This includes the National Housing Co-Investment Fund commitments for urban Indigenous housing, emergency Indigenous shelters and housing in the territories that are listed above. Federal supply initiative commitments will support:

- 21,372 units through Indigenous and Northern housing projects. This includes 49 projects are located in the territories, where 50% of the population is Indigenous.
 - 16,800 units are for new construction and 4,572 units and are for repair or renewal.
- Commitments made to date will support:
 - 10,376 units on reserve
 - 1,691 units in the territories
 - 8,501 Indigenous units in urban areas
 - 804 Indigenous units in rural or remote areas

In addition to the funding and units outlined above, the National Housing Co-Investment Fund has made conditional and financial commitments toward 79 new units and 10127 repaired units for Indigenous occupants within projects that serve multiple population groups.

Federal Initiatives Supporting the Community Housing Sector

\$5.4 million has been conditionally or financially committed through the federal initiatives to support Indigenous housing in the community housing sector:

- \$1.2 million through the Federal Community Housing Initiative to support the affordability of 152 community housing units for Indigenous peoples
- \$4.2 million through the Community Housing Transformation Centre to support 60 Indigenous housing projects

Data, Innovation and Research

The following investments have been made to support research, data and innovation to improve Indigenous and Northern housing outcomes:

- \$4.4 million toward 18 Research and Data Initiative projects
- \$20.8 million toward 45 Housing Supply Challenge projects

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Federal/Provincial/Territorial Housing Partnership Framework

\$240.2 million in federal funding and \$112.2 million in cost-matched funding have been committed to support Indigenous and Northern housing through the Federal/Provincial/Territorial Housing Partnership Framework. This is inclusive of all Housing Partnership Framework funding committed to-date in the territories, as well as the Canada Community Housing Initiative commitments toward urban Indigenous housing that are listed above. This funding supports:

- 2,308 new units
- 3,989 units for repair
- 10,174 units through affordability support

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National Housing Strategy Support to Affordable and Community Housing

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The NHS initiatives are designed to meet the housing needs of Canadians. These initiatives provide support to the entirety of the housing continuum, an approach that builds upon and complements the historical federal support for community (social) housing that serves Canadians in deepest housing need.

This new approach significantly increases support to the community housing sector through new supply programs such as the National Housing Co-Investment Fund, the Federal Lands Initiative, the Affordable Rental Housing Innovation Fund as well as the Rapid Housing Initiative.

The approach also includes direct support to tenants and through housing providers to help reduce affordability pressures. This builds on support for legacy social housing agreements which were predominantly signed with housing providers between the 1950s and early 1990s, and includes new funding. New funding is being made available under the Federal and Canada Community Housing Initiatives to providers whose legacy agreements are expiring to ensure that they have the necessary support to continue offering community housing to Canadians.

In addition to these initiatives, the NHS is also creating new purpose-built market rental housing through the Rental Construction Financing Initiative, building supply and providing more housing options along the housing continuum.

The NHS provides assistance to households in need through affordable and community housing, figures for this will be available shortly as we work with Provinces and Territories to provide an update.

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BUILDING THE FUTURE TOGETHER 2020 NATIONAL HOUSING STRATEGY PROGRESS REPORT

This triennial report discusses the complementary toolkit of housing initiatives that are addressing affordable housing needs.



Learn more about our other initiatives under the National Housing Strategy.

NHS funding for a variety of initiatives in all areas of the housing industry are working to:

build up to **160,000**
new housing units

repair **300,000**
housing units

remove up to
530,000 households
from housing need

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