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Canada extends partnership with Habitat for Humanity to build more affordable housing

Mississauga, Ontario – Today, the Honourable Ahmed Hussen, Minister of Housing and Diversity and Inclusion, alongside Iqwinder Gaheer, Member of Parliament for Mississauga-Malton, and Julia Deans, President and Chief Executive Officer, Habitat for Humanity Canada, announced a federal investment of \$25 million to build 500 new affordable homes across Canada over the next three years.

This new investment joins previous investments of \$55.8 million by the Government of Canada in Habitat for Humanity to support the creation of 617 affordable housing units across Canada. Those previous investments include an initial investment of \$32.4 million to create 417 homes in 2019, a top-up investment of \$3.4 million in 2020, and a \$20 million investment to support equitable access to homeownership for Black Canadian families announced in 2020.

These investments by the Government of Canada were made possible thanks to the National Housing Co-Investment Fund (NHCF), a key component of the National Housing Strategy (NHS).

Habitat for Humanity homes are energy-efficient and one in every five homes is built to meet accessibility standards. Contributions from federal, provincial, and municipal governments, and hundreds of donors and volunteers, enable Habitat for Humanity Canada to serve vulnerable populations including single mothers and their children, Indigenous peoples, Black families, recent immigrants, persons with disabilities, seniors, and veterans.

Quotes:

“Every Canadian deserves a safe and affordable place to call home. We are pleased to continue our partnership with Habitat for Humanity Canada to help more Canadians achieve their dream of homeownership. This partnership has already had a positive impact on the lives of those families who now have an affordable home. We are committed to working with our partners to create more affordable housing options for Canadians from coast to coast to coast. This is just one of the many ways our government's National Housing Strategy continues to ensure no one is left behind.” – **The Honourable Ahmed Hussen, Minister of Housing and Diversity and Inclusion**

“Our government believes that all Canadians deserve a safe place to call home. Across the country, we are working with our partners to build the affordable housing needed to create healthy, sustainable communities. Thanks to today's announcement and our partnership with Habitat for Humanity Canada, hundreds of families will be able to enjoy a safe and stable environment across the country, leading to better outcomes, greater community engagement and cohesion.” – **Iqwinder Gaheer, Member of Parliament for Mississauga-Malton**

“Habitat for Humanity Canada is committed to ensuring that more families can build strength, stability, and independence through affordable homeownership. Tackling the housing crisis needs an all-in approach that includes non-profits and governments working together. Thanks to investments through the National Housing Co-Investment Fund, we continue to increase our impact from coast to coast to coast, creating opportunities for people facing barriers to access.” — **Julia Deans, President and CEO, Habitat for Humanity Canada**

Quick facts:

- The **National Housing Co-Investment Fund (NHCF)** is a program under the National Housing Strategy (NHS) that gives priority to projects that help people who need it most, including women and children fleeing family violence, seniors, Indigenous peoples, people living with disabilities, those with mental health or addiction issues, veterans, and young adults.
- In 2019, the Government of Canada announced a \$32.4 million financial commitment over three years (2019-2021) to Habitat for Humanity Canada and its affiliate organizations. With this commitment by the National Housing Co-Investment Fund (NHCF), a pillar initiative of the National Housing Strategy (NHS), and the work of Habitat for Humanity and its affiliate organizations, 417 new homes will be supporting lower income families in communities across Canada.
- In 2020, the Government of Canada announced a \$20 million investment through the National Housing Co-Investment Fund (NHCF) to create 200 homeownership opportunities across the country for Black Canadians.
- Budget 2022 proposes to advance \$2.9 billion in funding under the NHCF to accelerate the creation of up to 4,300 new units and the repair of up to 17,800 units.
- The Government of Canada’s National Housing Strategy (NHS) is an ambitious, 10-year plan that will invest over \$82+ billion to give more Canadians a place to call home.

Related links:

- As Canada's authority on housing, CMHC contributes to the stability of the housing market and financial system, provides support for Canadians in housing need, and offers unbiased housing research and advice to all levels of Canadian government, consumers and the housing industry. CMHC’s aim is that by 2030, everyone in Canada has a home they can afford and that meets their needs. For more information, please visit cmhc.ca or follow us on [Twitter](#), [Instagram](#), [YouTube](#), [LinkedIn](#) and [Facebook](#).
- To find out more about the National Housing Strategy, visit: www.placetocallhome.ca.
- Check out the National Housing Strategy [Housing Funding Initiatives Map](#) to see affordable housing projects that have been developed across Canada.
- For information on the National Infrastructure Contribution Program (NICP), visit: <https://www.csc-scc.gc.ca/publications/005007-4500-2020-2021-03-en.shtml>
- For more information on Connective Support Society, visit: <https://connective.ca>.

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Backgrounder

Since 2019, CMHC projects in the following communities have been completed or are currently underway.

Local Habitat	Communities supported	Funded units	Total CMHC Investment since 2019
Camrose	Alberta: Camrose	6	\$ 363,944
Cornwall & The Counties	Ontario: Cornwall	5	\$ 315,000
Edmonton	Alberta: Edmonton, Grande Prairie, Leduc and Spruce Grove	26	\$ 2,368,355
Fredericton Area	New Brunswick: Edmunston, Fredericton, Minto, Oromocto and Verette	16	\$ 1,030,973
Greater Ottawa	Ontario: Ottawa	5	\$ 500,000
Greater Ottawa & Habitat Thousand Islands	Ontario: Kemptville	15	\$1,014,750
Greater Toronto Area	Ontario: Brampton, Georgina, Oshawa, Pickering and Toronto	92	\$ 9,142,700
Greater Vancouver	British Columbia: Mission	8	\$ 800,000
Halton-Mississauga-Dufferin	Ontario: Mississauga	3	\$ 225,000

Hamilton	Ontario: Hamilton, Waterdown	10	\$ 838,250
Heartland Ontario	Ontario: Brant County, Brantford, Drumbo, London, Simcoe, St. Thomas and Tillsonburg	55	\$ 4,240,333
Huron County	Ontario: Goderich and Hansall	2	\$ 131,212
Kingston Limestone Region	Ontario: Kingston	29	\$ 1,700,000
Manitoba	Manitoba: Brandon, Portage la Prairie, Selkirk, Winkler and Winnipeg	88	\$ 7,594,522
Mid-Vancouver Island	British Columbia: Duncan, Nanaimo	14	\$ 900,000
Moncton	New Brunswick: Dieppe	3	\$ 165,000
Newfoundland & Labrador	Newfoundland & Labrador: Bonavista	2	\$ 118,597
Niagara	Ontario: Niagara Falls, Welland, Thorold	9	\$ 670,745
Northumberland	Ontario: Baltimore, Bewdley, Coburg and Hastings	13	\$ 881,721
Nova Scotia	Nova Scotia: Oxford and Stellarton	2	\$ 123,903
Okanagan	British Columbia: Lake Country	12	\$ 1,000,000
Ontario Gateway North	Ontario: Midland and Pointe au Baril	3	\$ 300,000
Peterborough & Kawartha	Ontario: Peterborough	54	\$ 4,750,000
Prince Edward Island	Prince Edward Island: Lennox Island First Nation	7	\$ 347,367
Prince Edward-Hastings	Ontario: Trenton	4	\$ 350,000
Quebec	Quebec: Montreal and Sherbrooke	11	\$ 713,058
Red Deer	Alberta: Blackfalds	12	\$ 870,600
Saint John Region	New Brunswick: Saint John and Quispamsis	2	\$ 186,187
Sarnia-Lambton	Ontario: Sarnia and Forest	4	\$ 200,000

Saskatchewan (Regina)	Saskatchewan: Moose Jaw and Regina	6	\$ 508,159
Sault Ste. Marie & Area	Ontario: Sault Ste. Marie	4	\$ 293,077
Southeast BC	British Columbia: Castlegar	4	\$ 260,000
Southern Alberta	Alberta: Brooks and Calgary	73	\$ 5,827,829
Sunshine Coast	British Columbia: Sechelt	4	\$ 260,000
Thunder Bay	Ontario: Thunder Bay	1	\$ 50,000
Vancouver Island North	British Columbia: Campbell River and Courtenay	19	\$ 1,511,800
Victoria	British Columbia: North Saanich and Saanichton	11	\$ 1,100,000
Waterloo Region	Ontario: Cambridge and Kitchener	30	\$ 1,833,650
Wellington-Dufferin-Guelph	Ontario: Guelph, Fergus	50	\$ 3,155,832
Windsor-Essex	Ontario: Windsor and Kingsville	12	\$ 879,200
Yukon	Yukon: Whitehorse	2	\$ 198,846