



## Briefing Memo- Provincial Housing Support For Indigenous People in Urban Centres

**July 3, 2020**

### Background

The Ontario government is providing municipalities and urban Indigenous community partners with an additional \$150 million to continue to protect vulnerable people from COVID-19 by improving homeless shelters and creating opportunities for longer-term housing.

With this additional funding, the government is providing municipal service managers and urban Indigenous program administrators with \$350 million through the Social Services Relief Fund.

Full Release: <https://news.ontario.ca/opo/en/2020/07/ontario-provides-additional-funding-to-support-municipalities-and-urban-indigenous-community-partner.html>

### Key-Points

- Municipalities and urban Indigenous community partners will be able to use this funding for long-term, innovative housing solutions resulting from the COVID-19 outbreak.
- They can renovate shelters or purchase new facilities that will help with physical distancing in the short term and support longer-term, more sustainable solutions to homelessness.
- In addition, this funding could also be used to provide vulnerable people with food, shelter and supplies.

### Eligibility

The programs above are targeted to First Nations communities and Indigenous people living in urban centres.



## How to Apply

The program is being delivered through local Service Managers and existing urban Indigenous program administrators. If you don't know who the administrator is for your area, please contact your local friendship centre.



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