

**Affordable Housing Initiative
&
HOME Works! Strategy**

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Municipalities Convention**

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Affordable Housing 2000-2007

Committed and Approved since 2000:

- Over **\$67 million** for 2380 units.
- Winnipeg: Over **\$39 million** for 1473 units.
- Rural and Other Urban Areas: Over **\$28 million** for 907 units.

New Rental Supply

\$36 million Committed & Approved:

- 45 Manitoba Projects – Infill, multi-unit, conversion, new construction
- 769 Total Units – 741 multi-units and 21 single family units.
- 400 Visitable units and 27 Disability/mobility units.

New Homeownership Supply

\$11 million Committed & Approved:

- 30 Projects – Infill, multi-unit, conversion & rehabilitation, new construction.
- 305 Total Units – 8 multi-units and 297 single family units.
- 32 Visitable and 4 Disability/mobility units.

Other Affordable Housing Programs:

- \$1.7 million - repair conversion for multi-unit rental complexes and individual homeowner repair.
- \$1.8 million Homebuyer Down Payment Assistance (HDPA)
- \$5.8 million in Rent Supplement for low-income households
- \$10.9 million for Neighbourhood Housing Assistance (NHA).

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Winkler Affordable Housing Inc. (24 Units)



Cam Manor Ltd., The Pas (39 Units)



Arborg Seniors Assisted Living Centre (32 Units)



Penfeld Court, Steinbach (24 Units)



Federal Housing Trusts

\$1.4 billion towards helping Canadians find safe, adequate and affordable housing.

- Funding be delivered to provinces and territories through 3 funds:
- Affordable Housing: (up to \$800 million) Help address short-term pressures with regard to the supply of affordable housing. Manitoba's share is \$29.0 million
- Off-Reserve Aboriginal Housing: (up to \$300 million) Help provinces address short-term housing needs for Aboriginal Canadians living off-reserve. Manitoba's share is \$32.5 million.
- Northern Housing: (up to \$300 million) Meet short-term pressures with regard to the supply of affordable housing in the territories.
- Only the Affordable Housing Fund and the Off-Reserve Aboriginal Housing Fund are applicable to Manitoba.

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Low-Income Housing Strategy Announcement

- Multi-year housing strategy consisting of four pillars for a total of \$188 million.
 - A new community-driven affordable housing program for lower-income Manitobans
 - Enhance public housing
 - Homeless shelters
 - Basic home repair

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Pillar # 1: HOME Works!

- \$104.5 million, three-year funding targeting affordable homes for low-income Manitobans
- Priorities include refugees & immigrants; older Manitobans; urban Aboriginals; Northern Manitobans and Homeless Manitobans.
- Includes \$61.5 million federal dollars with an additional \$43 million in provincial contributions.

HOME *Works!*

- \$42 million to the En Dah Aung (Our Home) program for Aboriginal off-reserve housing under HOME *Works!*
- \$6 million Neighbourhood Housing Assistance (NHA) extension for up to three years for continued support of the Neighbourhoods Alive! initiative.
- \$8.5 million home-ownership component.

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- All newly-constructed and renovated units are to meet green standards for energy efficiency and cost-saving operation.
- Priority on development of housing options for people with a mental illness.

Complementary Programs

- HOME *Works!* complemented by other programs:
 - Residential Rehabilitation Assistance Program;
 - Emergency Repair Program;
 - Housing Adaptations for Seniors' Independence;

Aging in Place

- MHRC is working with Manitoba Health and Regional Health Authorities on a joint long-term care strategy.
- Areas of highest need for seniors' housing will be identified and housing options will be developed to provide seniors with care and support so that they may remain in their communities as they age.

Pillar # 2: Foundations

- Focuses on revitalization of existing public housing through a six-point, three-year strategy.
- \$66.6 million towards Manitoba Housing Authority unit renovations: preventative maintenance and roof repair.
- \$7.2 million: conversion of units for supportive housing in provincially owned seniors housing projects in Manitoba.
- \$600,000 New Playgrounds.
- \$1.6 million for security services associated with illegal gang activity.
- \$200,000 - community empowerment initiatives such as post-secondary bursary fund for social housing residents.

Pillar # 3: A Roof Over Each Bed

- \$3.9 million in emergency and transitional shelter for homeless people in 2007-08.
- Homelessness will be a new focus in the Provincial housing portfolio.
- 44% more funding for organizations like the Salvation Army, Neeginan, Main Street Project and Hannah's Place at Siloam Mission.

Pillar # 4: Basic Renovation

- \$4 million towards basic renovation programs for a two-year period.
- \$14 million will be combined to deliver assistance to low-income households with repairs, modifications and rehabilitation.

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LOW-INCOME HOUSING STRATEGY: FOUR PILLARS (AMOUNTS IN MILLIONS)

<u>PILLAR ONE: HOME Works!</u>		<u>PILLAR TWO: Foundations</u>		<u>PILLAR THREE: Project: A Roof over Each Bed</u>		<u>PILLAR FOUR: Home Renovation Programs</u>		
Inner-city revitalization	\$35.0	Unit renovations,	\$66.6	Emergency and transitional	\$3.9	F/P Home Renovation	\$4.0	
Older Manitobans	\$16.5	preventive maintenance		shelter for homeless		Programs:		
Urban Aboriginals	\$24.85	and roof repair				• Residential		
Northern Manitobans	\$20.7	Supportive housing	\$7.2			Rehabilitation Assistance Program		
Homeless Manitobans	\$ 7.4	New playgrounds	.6					
		Enhanced security:	\$1.6			• Home Adaptations for Seniors' Initiative		
		• co-ordinated deployment				• Emergency Repair		
		• two new investigators				• Shelter Enhancement Program		
		• enhanced CCTV						
		• access card systems						
		Co-Op and Rent-to-Own community empowerment						
		• bursary fund	.2					
		• on-site adult learning						
		• family resource centres						
		• tenant association enhancements						
Subtotal	\$104.5	Subtotal	\$76.2	Subtotal	\$3.9	Subtotal	\$ 4.0	
							TOTAL	\$188.6

Moving Forward

- Affordable Housing Consultations were held prior to the announcement of the Housing First Four Pillar Strategy;
- Currently involved in determining the timing of an intake process for new HOME *Works!* proposals;
- Consultations to be held shortly with Aboriginal organizations to finalize the parameters and delivery of En Dah Aung Aboriginal Off-Reserve Housing Program;

WEBSITE

- For more information about our housing programs go to <http://www.gov.mb.ca/fs/housing/>

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