# CMHC Housing Solutions







# **Budget 2024 – Canada's Housing Plan**

### **Co-operative Housing Development Program**

Launch the \$1.5 billion Cooperative Housing Development Program

# Public Lands for Homes

Accelerate the process of making underused public land available for housing and create a new mapping tool to keep track of available federal lands for housing.

# Affordable Housing Fund

\$1 billion top-up to enable the now \$15 billion program to support more affordable housing and launch a permanent Rapid Housing Stream.

# Housing Design Catalogue

A total of \$11.6 million will be invested to standardize up to 50 efficient, costeffective, and liveable home blueprints.

### **Canada Rental Protection Fund**

\$1 billion in loans and \$470 million in contributions to non-profit organizations and other partners to acquire units and preserve rent prices in the long term.

# **CMHC Supports**



### Information

- Market Insights
- Housing Knowledge Centre
- Housing Market Information Portal



### **Funding**

- Pre-construction
- Construction and Repair
- Research
- Innovation



### **Connections**

- Capital Connect
- Expert
   Community on
   Housing (ECoH)
- Outreach and Knowledge Transfer

# **Housing Funding Solutions**

### DIRECT LENDING

- Rapid Housing Initiative
- Seed Funding
- Affordable Housing Fund
- Federal Lands Initiative
- Apartment Construction Loan Program
- Canada Greener Affordable Housing



# MORTGAGE LOAN INSURANCE

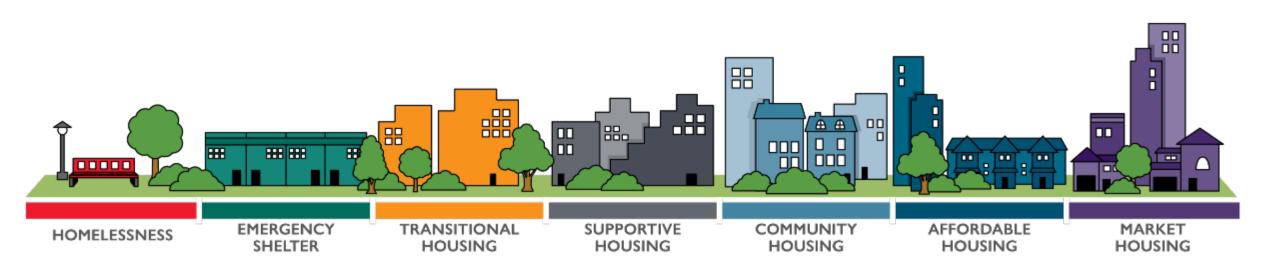
- MLI Select
- Mortgage loan insurance multi-unit rental properties

# **CMHC Solutions along the Housing Continuum**

### **MLI Select**

Apartment Construction Loan Prog.

### Affordable Housing Fund



# Affordable Housing Benchmarks

Funding Program	Benchmark
Affordable Housing Fund	Median Market Rent (80%)
<ul> <li>Apartment Construction Loan</li> <li>Program</li> </ul>	• (30%) Median Household Income (All families)
Mortgage Loan Insurance - Select	• (30%) Median Renter Household Income

### Financial incentives to drive social outcomes

Social Outcomes	Incentives
Affordability	• Lower interest rates
• Energy Efficiency	• Low equity requirement
• Accessibility	<ul> <li>Longer amortization</li> </ul>
• Proximity to Amenities	• Lower Debt Coverage Ratio
• Partnerships*	• Longer loan terms

# Criteria and Priorities

### Partnerships



To make federal investments go further, applicants to the Affordable Housing Fund\* must have additional sources of funding



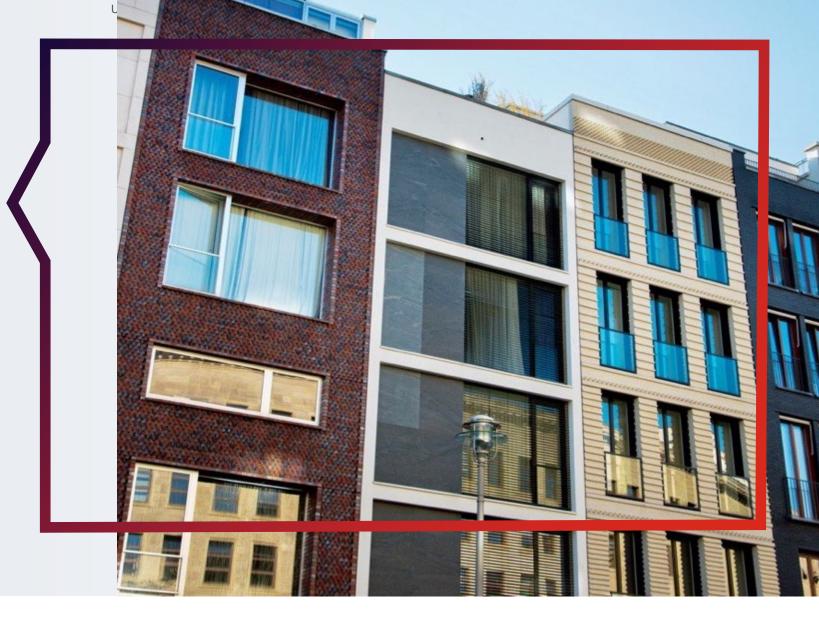
from another level of government and can be in the form of investment of resources and/or the form of a letter of endorsement



Contributions from collaborators can be **monetary or in-kind** 

\*other programs are also incentivized to secure partnerships

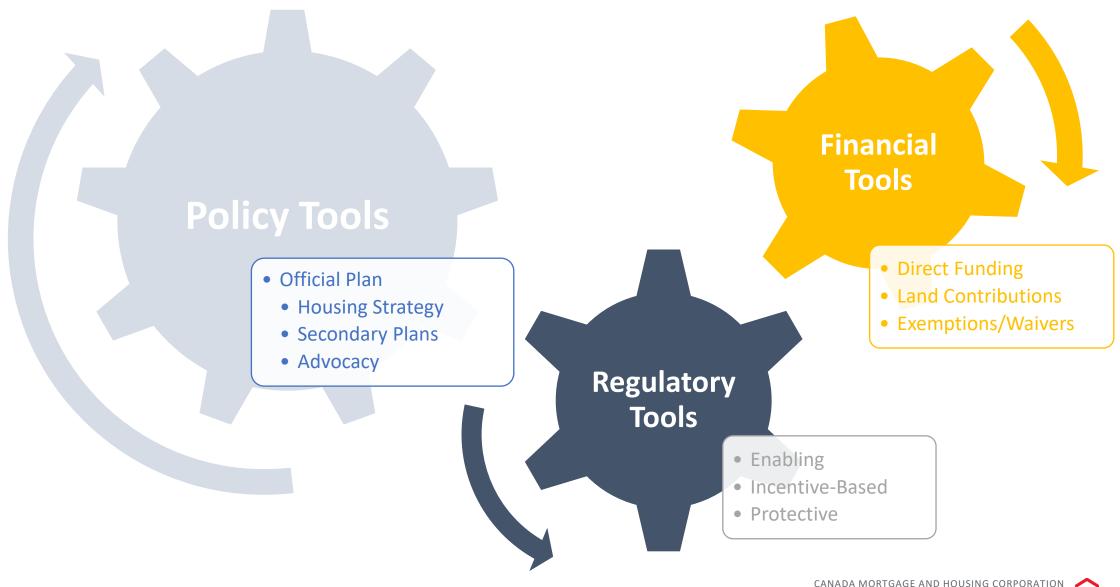
# Municipal tools for more housing







### Municipal Tools Working Together



# **Policy Tools**

**Tools** 

Financial

# Regulatory Tools

### Official Plan (OP)

#### **Housing Strategy**

- Engagement with stakeholders
- Community housing need
- Targets
- Actions
- Alignment with other programs

### Land Use/Secondary Plans

- Infrastructure/Transportation Plans
- Community Improvement/Redevelopment Plans
- Neighbourhood Secondary Plans
- Area Structure Plans
- Transit Oriented Development Plans

### Advocacy

- Work with other levels of government
- Advance community goals
- Support evidence-based policy

#### **Direct Funding**

- Direct provision of affordable housing
- Housing Fund
- Direct Contributions/Grants
- Loans, Forgivable Loans, Loan Guarantees
- Rent Bank
- Municipal Capital Facilities Agreements
- Real Estate Escrow Interest Grants
- Public-Private Partnerships

#### Land-Based Contributions

- Donation of Land or Facilities
- Below Market Land Leases
- Temporary Uses on City Owned Land
- Co-location with Community Owned Amenities
- Community Land Trusts
- Land Banking

### **Exemptions/Waivers**

- Tax Credits/Exemptions
- Tax Increment Financing
- Waiving or Reduction of Development Fees and Charges

### **Enabling Regulations**

- Flexible Zoning By-Law
- Increasing Density/Infill development
- Accessory Dwelling Units
- Lower Minimum Unit Sizes
- Permissive Development Standards (eg: parking)
- Up-Zoning/Pre-Zoning
- Form-Based Zoning

### Incentive-Based Regulations

- Community Benefit Agreements
- Inclusionary Zoning
- Density Bonuses
- Streamlining Application Process
- Anti-NIMBY Initiatives

### **Protective Regulations**

- Replacement policies
- Tenant protection and displacement
- Affordable rental housing protections
- Vacancy Tax
- Building by-laws /vacant/derelict
- Rental property standards database
- First right of refusal
- Residential Rental Tenure Zoning
- Regulating short-term rentals



# Housing Accelerator Fund – 10 Best Practices

- 1. End exclusionary zoning
- 2. Make municipally owned lands available for housing
- 3. Increase process efficiency
- 4.Prioritized/enhanced development approval process
- 5. Comprehensive review of development charges and fee schedules

- 6. Reduce or eliminate parking
- 7. Eliminate restrictions

standards

- 8. Develop affordable housing community improvement plans
- 9. Design and implement guidelines
- 10. Develop grant programs

10 Housing Accelerator Fund best practices | CMHC (cmhc-schl.gc.ca)

# **Development Incentives**

Make municipally owned lands available for housing through strategies such as disposition, acquisition and/or pre-development.

Comprehensive review of development charges and fee schedules, including waivers for affordable housing

Develop grant programs encouraging the development of housing types that align with the Housing Accelerator Fund such as missing middle, row homes, purpose-built rental and/or that promote innovative construction techniques



### The Results

- Strategic land acquisition and disposition
- Community Improvement
   Programs for Affordable Housing
- ADU Plans & Grants
- Office Conversions
- Waiving application fees and development charges



# **Expert Community** on Housing

ECoH is an open community where members with a wide range of housing experience can collaborate, share knowledge, contribute to the development of housing solutions, and network with leaders within and outside of the traditional housing ecosystem to address common challenges. Visit <u>CMHC.ca/ECoH</u> today!

### Join ECOH:









# Task Teams

Members can form a Task Team on Microsoft, which is a channel dedicated to supporting a specific impact project, region or area of practice.

The ECoH team helps to set up the hub and supports the leader with programming that will help move the community towards its goals.

### Examples of Task Teams on ECoH:



Alternative and disruptive housing models



**CLTs and Land Assembly Solutions** 



Research Open House



**Innovation Space** 



**Atlantic Community of Practice** 

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