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Fern Dominelli  
Chief Administrative Officer  
Manitoulin - Sudbury District Services Board

Dear Mr. Dominelli:

I am writing to provide you with the confirmed funding allocation for Manitoulin - Sudbury District Services Board under the Community Homelessness Prevention Initiative (CHPI).

Following the release of the initial draft allocations provided to help facilitate budget planning, a number of Service Managers raised regarding the information used to calculate their CHPI allocations. Our Ministry has been working with the Ministry of Community and Social Services (MCSS) and Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation (CMHC) to confirm the accuracy of information used to calculate the initial draft CHPI allocations.

As a result of this review, some of the information used to calculate these allocations have been revised to correct inaccuracies, specifically:

- Incorrect Deep Core Housing Need data was received from CMHC for some Service Managers.
- Anomalies were identified regarding how Service Managers have been submitting their Emergency Hostel Services (EHS) expenditures to MCSS. As a result, the original allocation for some Service Managers did not fully reflect the three-year average for EHS expenditures.
- For some Service Managers, the Domiciliary Hostels allocation did not include the portion of the funding related to Domiciliary Hostels Small Water Works Program.

The overall funding envelope for the CHPI program amounts to approximately \$246 million for 2013-14. I would like to assure you that this amount fully captures the current level of funding associated with the five existing programs and the scheduled upload of the Emergency Hostel Services portion of Ontario Works – consistent with our commitment under the Provincial-Municipal Fiscal and Service Delivery Review. This amount also includes 50 per cent of provincial expenditures from the former Community Start-Up and Maintenance Benefit (CSUMB) and the scheduled upload related to CSUMB.

A reallocation of the funding envelope in order to address the issues noted above has been completed. This reallocation incorporates the updated information referenced above and is based on the same model that was used for the planning allocations - a combination of current (base) funding and needs-based funding, according to each Service Manager's proportionate share of households in Deep Core Housing Need (a CMHC measure based on Statistics Canada data that identifies households who spend over 50 per cent of their gross income on housing and also have issues related to suitability and adequacy).

Accordingly, the confirmed funding allocation for the Manitoulin - Sudbury District Services Board is:

- January 2013 – March 2013 CHPI Allocation is \$ 43,282
- April 2013 – March 2014 (annual) CHPI Allocation is \$185,493

Detailed information on your funding allocation is attached, as well as a list of the updated Deep Core Housing Need information for all 47 Service Managers in Ontario.

We appreciate your patience and understanding over the past weeks. It is important that each Service Manager's funding allocation is accurate and reliable in order for the allocation model to be applied in a fair and consistent manner now and in the future.

I want to thank you again for your efforts in implementing the new CHPI program and encourage you to contact your local Municipal Service Office (MSO) Team Lead if you have any further questions regarding your funding allocation.

Sincerely,

Janet Hope  
Assistant Deputy Minister  
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cc. Donna Moroso, Director of Integrated Social Services  
MSO Team Lead

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