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Mr. Fern Dominelli, CAO
Manitoulin-Sudbury DSB
210 Mead Boulevard
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Dear Mr. Dominelli:

Our government is taking action to reform Ontario's social safety net with a focus on helping people get back to work and get their lives back on track. Ontario's municipalities have a critical interest and, in many cases an important role in ensuring people across the province have access to social assistance and other supports when they are in need.

I know that municipalities across the province have provided valuable advice on how the province can change the system for the better. We do not want to duplicate that work. We will make sure to consider that input and advice as we develop our plan.

We also know that there may be other ideas or innovative solutions you have not shared that will improve how we deliver services, reduce administration, remove red tape and focus on achieving better outcomes for people.

We share a responsibility to do better for people in need and to be more efficient with the services we deliver. If you have any further advice or ideas to share, please forward it to MinisterMCCSS@ontario.ca. Given our accelerated 100 day target, we ask for your advice and ideas to be kept high level (i.e., 1-2 pages) at this time.

I look forward to working with you as we continue to partner together to strengthen social assistance and related supports for the people of Ontario.

Sincerely,

Lisa MacLeod
Minister

c. Janet Menard, Deputy Minister

Richard Steele, Assistant Deputy Minister, Social Assistance Operations Division
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