



Canada's first ever National Housing Strategy

A 10-year, \$40-billion plan to give more Canadians **a place to call home.**



Housing is more than just a roof over our heads

The National Housing Strategy Principles:

People

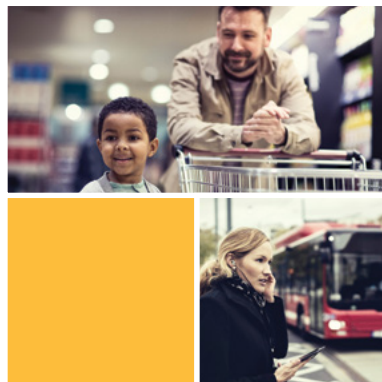
- Ensuring more Canadians have access to housing that is safe and that they can afford
- Prioritizing vulnerable persons
- Encouraging public participation in the development and evaluation of the policy

Communities

- Promoting diverse, inclusive communities by building sustainable, accessible and mixed use housing
- Empowering communities to develop and implement local solutions to housing challenges
- Promoting housing investments and life that supports Canada's climate change agenda to accessible communities

Partnerships

- Maintaining and prioritizing a resilient community housing sector
- Encouraging transparent and accountable partnerships to create better outcomes
- Recognizing that First Nations, Inuit and Metis Nation housing strategies must be co-developed and founded in the values of recognition of rights, respect and co-operation



A vision for housing in Canada

Canadians have housing that meets their needs and they can afford. Affordable housing is a cornerstone of sustainable, inclusive communities and a Canadian economy where we can prosper and thrive.

A \$40-billion once-in-a-generation investment



\$15.9 billion

for the National Housing Co-Investment Fund

\$4 billion

for Canada Housing Benefit*

\$2.2 billion

for Homelessness Partnering Strategy

\$9.1 billion

for Community Housing Initiatives*

\$2.5 billion

for Federal-Provincial/Territorial Housing Partnership, including the North*

\$9.8 billion

for existing agreements

* Includes cost-matching by provinces and territories

Stronger communities. Greater opportunities.

The NHS is a detailed 10-year plan that will deliver results and benefit all Canadians — including building more affordable, accessible, inclusive and sustainable homes.

100,000

new housing units created representing **4x** as many units built under federal programs from 2005 to 2015**

385,000

households protected from losing an affordable home and another **50,000** benefiting from an expansion of community housing

530,000

households removed from housing need

300,000

existing housing units repaired and renewed representing **3x** as many units repaired and renewed under federal programs from 2005 to 2015**

50%

reduction in estimated number of chronically homeless shelter users

300,000

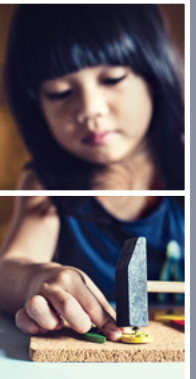
households provided with an average of **\$2,500/year** in affordability support through the Canada Housing Benefit

** Compared to units built and repaired through the Affordable Housing Initiative (AHI), Renovation Programs and the Investment in Affordable Housing (IAH).

Helping Canadians

At least 25% of National Housing Strategy Investments will support projects that specifically target the unique needs of **women and girls**

- ✓ Ongoing consultations with women including an annual Women's Housing Symposium
- ✓ New and repaired shelter spaces
- ✓ Financial support through the Canada Housing Benefit
- ✓ Improved affordable housing options and increased shelter space through the National Housing Co-Investment Fund
- ✓ Ongoing community housing subsidies
- ✓ Targeted research on women's housing needs
- ✓ Affordable housing for senior women
- ✓ Improved housing affordability and safety through a human rights-based approach to housing



At least

7,000

SHELTER SPACES created or repaired for survivors of family violence

4,000 (NHS) + 3,000 (Budget 2016)

At least

12,000

NEW AFFORDABLE UNITS created for seniors

7,000 (NHS) + 5,000 (Budget 2016)

At least

2,400

NEW AFFORDABLE UNITS created for people with developmental disabilities

Federal programs

- Housing Rights are Human Rights
- National Housing Co-Investment Fund to build or repair housing with at least:
 - ✓ 20% **accessible or universally-designed units**
 - ✓ 25% **better energy-efficiency**
 - ✓ 20-year **commitment to affordability**

New Tools and Partnerships

- New federal social housing agreements
- New data and research to close knowledge gaps
- New resources for community housing
- Demonstration projects to share ideas and opportunities
- National Housing Council to guide the future of the strategy
- Surplus federal lands at low or no cost for affordable housing

Partnerships with the provinces and territories

- Preserve, renew and expand community housing for low-income Canadians
- Design and deliver a housing benefit for people in housing need
- Support local needs and priorities



