

Priorities for Community Housing

An Affordable Home for All Manitobans



Repair and modernize community housing through a \$1.5b capital funding program over 10 years. Include a repair, modernization, and development

program designed by and for Indigenous-led housing organizations.

More than 32,000 households benefit from community housing in Manitoba. Manitoba is facing a looming crisis as deferred maintenance and insufficient reserve funding for public and non-profit housing means occupants are living in inadequate housing, units are vacant despite high wait lists, and buildings are at risk of loss.

An investment of \$1.5B could preserve the 23,000 homes currently in fair condition; it would cost 4 times more to replace this housing.



Create 10,000 new units of community housing over the next 10 years.

At the current pace of development, it will take 50 years to meet the needs of the 23,000 Manitoban households in core housing need. Creating community housing is a sustainable solution, and an investment in community-based economic development, community revitalization, and better health and social outcomes for decades to come. Addressing Canada's housing crisis requires a doubling of the community housing stock over the next 30 years; 10,000 units will put Manitoba on track to meet this target.



Provide consistent, long-term funding for support within community housing. In independent living, this should be through tenant support coordinators at an average ratio of 1/100 units. For populations such as older adults and people at risk of homelessness with additional support needs, higher levels of staffing through operating funding is needed.

Community housing is more than a door and four walls, it delivers home, community, and stability. Evidence-based solutions are required to offer choice and meet varied needs. Transitional, permanent supportive, and independent housing with community and tenant supports all have demonstrated outcomes. Preventing eviction, reducing social isolation, and providing resource connections for tenants creates healthier and safer communities. and reduces the need for high-cost emergency or institutional services.



Work with the non-profit sector as the preferred partner in delivering Manitoba's social and affordable housing through adequate operating funding, co-development of programs, and sector support.

The non-profit housing sector has a long-standing history of delivering housing that offers security, dignity, and safety to people who need it across Manitoba. Once built, non-profit housing maintains affordability that is deeper and longer lasting than the private sector. MNPHA and its members know the solutions to the challenges the sector and the people it serves face, and want to work with all levels of government, departments within government, and partners, in achieving housing for all.



The Manitoba Non-Profit Housing Association represents over 100 community housing organizations who collectively own and manage more than 25,000 affordable homes across 25 communities in Manitoba. The dedicated volunteers and employees of the non-profit housing sector strive to ensure non-profit housing in Manitoba is secure, sustainable, and affordable for all who need it.