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Mahoney Announces Seed Funding for Housing Projects [Toronto]

TORONTO, Ontario, October 23, 2003 — A total of 110 housing organizations and developers in Ontario will receive up to \$20,000 each to help develop housing project proposals under Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation's (CMHC) Seed Funding initiative.

The Honourable Steven Mahoney, Secretary of State Responsible for CMHC, made the announcement, saying the selected submissions in Ontario are just part of the 240 housing proponents selected from across Canada.

"This proposal call provided Canadians with a terrific opportunity to take the lead in presenting their proposals on how to solve some of our country's housing challenges" said Secretary of State Mahoney. "The impressive response proves the importance of housing to communities across Canada."

Seed Funding offers financial assistance, complemented by training, to groups and individuals for housing projects that will be affordable or innovative or community-based, or any combination of these characteristics. The financial assistance is in the form of a grant of up to \$10,000 and an interest-free loan of up to \$10,000. Total funding for this round could be as much as \$4.8 million nationally.

Seed Funding recipients will use the money to pay for a variety of activities including housing market studies to evaluate need and demand for the proposed project, development of a business plan and preliminary architectural drawings.

In evaluating the applications for Seed Funding, received through a Canada-wide proposal call, CMHC looked at the clarity of the proponent's objectives, compatibility with program criteria, ability of applicants to carry out the proposed activities and the need for funding.

"I am confident that this initiative will create the momentum needed to get community support and draw out the resources needed to turn ideas into tangible bricks and mortar," added Secretary of State Mahoney. "I look forward to seeing these housing proposals taking shape as homes for Canadians."

A backgrounder listing successful applicants follows.

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CMHC Seed Funding Recipients 2003

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Nottawasaga Community Economic Development Corporation, Alliston
Hastings Local Housing Corporation, Belleville
Blue Water Rest Home, Bluewater
Muskoka Parry Sound Community Mental Health Association, Bracebridge
Supportive Housing in Peel, Brampton
Brantford YM-YWCA Non-Profit Homes Association, Brantford
John Noble Home, Brantford
Scott Higgins, Cambridge
Nawabic Co-operative Inc., Cochrane
Town of Collingwood, Collingwood
City of Cornwall-Social Housing Division, Cornwall
Eganville and Area Long-Term Care Corporation, Eganville
St. Andrew's United Church, Georgetown
Abbeyfield Houses Society of Guelph, Guelph
Guelph Unit Branch 344 of the Army, Navy and Air Force Veterans in Canada, Guelph
La Capanna Homes Non-Profit Inc., Kitchener
Willowside Housing Co-operative Inc., Kitchener
The Lobo Township Non-Profit Housing Corporation, Komoka
Community Care of Kawartha Lakes, Lindsay
London Affordable Housing Foundation, London
Rideau Non-Profit Housing Inc., Manotick
1375504 Ontario Inc., Markham
Khalid Usman, Markham
Markham Community Homes Inc., Markham
Perth Adult Life Care Residences, Milverton
First United Church, Mississauga
Paul Taylor, Mississauga
Mississauga Italian Canadian Benevolent Association, Mississauga
Shalimar International Housing Corporation Inc., Mississauga
Ritz Lutheran Villa, Mitchell
Blue Heron Co-operative Homes Inc., Ottawa
Canadian Mental Health Association, Ottawa
Développement Canada Afrique Centrale Inc., Ottawa
Gestion Cartier - Montreal Road, Ottawa
Gestion Cartier-Russell Road, Ottawa
Gignul Non-Profit Housing Corporation, Ottawa
Gloucester Non-Profit Housing Corporation, Ottawa
Habitat for Humanity, National Capital Region, Ottawa
Harmony House, Ottawa
Live Work Play Inc., Ottawa
McLean Co-operative Homes Inc., Ottawa
Monfort Renaissance Inc., Ottawa
OMRA Shelter Alternatives Corporation, Ottawa
Options Bytown Non-Profit Housing Corporation, Ottawa
Options for Homes - Ottawa, Ottawa
Hesperus Fellowship Community, Thornhill
Temple Kol Ami, Thornhill

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Oxford Seniors' Advisory Council, Tillsonburg
Albion Neighbourhood Services, Toronto
At Home in East York, Toronto
Homes First Society, Toronto
Learning Enrichment Foundation, Toronto
MyHome Global Industries Inc., Toronto
Operation Springboard, Toronto
PAL Retirement Extended Care Corporation, Toronto
Parkdale Liberty Economic Development Corporation, Toronto
Shahid Shaikh, Toronto
Stella Pinnock, Toronto
The Islamic Shia Ithna-Asheri Jamaat of Toronto, Unionville
Maison Marie-Louise, Vanier
Michael J. Flynn, Waterloo
Gateway Residence of Niagara Inc., Welland
Matrix Affordable Homes for the Disadvantaged Inc., Guelph
Corktown Community Centre Residences, Hamilton
Focus Group Consultants for "Lucy's Place", Hamilton
Wesley Urban Ministries Inc., Hamilton
Community Committee on Homelessness, Keewatin
Non-Profit Seniors Housing of Kenora, Kenora
Northwest Supportive Housing Alternatives, Kenora
Kingston Co-operative Homes Inc., Kingston
Kingston Home Base Non-Profit Housing Inc., Kingston
Kingston Municipal Non-Profit Housing Corporation, Kingston
Portuguese Cultural Centre of Kingston, Kingston
The Elizabeth Fry Society, Kingston
Kirkland Lake Non-Profit Housing Corporation, Kirkland Lake
Circa Development Services, Kitchener
Kitchener Downtown Business Association, Kitchener
West Perth Adult Life Care Residences, Mitchell
Prince Edward Lennox-Addington Social Services (PELASS), Amherstview
Prince Edward Lennox-Addington Social Services (PELASS), Napanee
Prince Edward Lennox-Addington Social Services (PELASS), Picton
Nepean Housing Corporation, Nepean
Total Communication Environment, Nepean
Community Housing Action Group, North Bay
Harmony Haven Housing Co-op Inc., North Bay
Physically Handicapped Adults' Rehabilitation Association, North Bay
Home Free c/o Children's Aid Society of Toronto, North York
Kehilla Residential Programme-Newmarket, North York
Kehilla Residential Programme-Vaughan Campus, North York
The Salvation Army Oakville Community Church, Oakville
Womyn 4 Justice, Odessa
Agudath Israel Congregation, Ottawa
St. Margaret's Anglican Church, Ottawa
The Ladies Auxiliary of Russian Canadian Community, Ottawa
Yogi Anand, Ottawa
St. Leonard's House, Peel
Peterborough Housing Corporation, Peterborough
Whitepath Consulting & Counselling Service, Peterborough

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AtLohsa Native Family Healing Services Inc., Southwold
Sarah Phillips & Sergio Ferreira, St. Catharines
The Bethlehem Not-for-Profit Housing Projects of Niagara, St. Catharines
Optimism Place, Stratford
DBE Giizis Samig Moon Lodge Project, Sudbury
Societa Caruso, Sudbury
Findlay/Maple Co-operative, Thornbury
Findlay/Saunders Cooperative, Thornbury
Trinity United Church, Thornbury
Multi-Use Centre Group With Open Door Concepts Inc., Welland
ZD101 Housing, Whitchurch-Stouffville
Noorzehra Ebrahim, Willowdale