

CMHC Housing Accelerator Fund (HAF)

General Committee Meeting – May 24, 2023



What is the Housing Accelerator Fund (HAF)?

- Broad Federal funding program for municipalities
 - Only single and lower tier municipalities can apply but can partner with regional governments



- Announced last year but criteria only recently established
- Mississauga identified as a growth leader
 - Likely to receive funding in excess of its national population share



Stated HAF Objectives

Affordability, inclusion, equity, diversity

Diverse mix of land uses Create more supply at accelerated pace

Clear pathways to socio-economic inclusion

Appropriate density

Enhance certainty in approvals and building process

Walkability

Complete communities

Equitable provision across entire housing spectrum

What does this mean on the ground?

- **Dwelling construction** & incentives
- Pre-zoning, epermitting
- Infrastructure to create shovel ready environment
- Affordable housing



Requirements for Funding

Securing Funding

- Scoring is based on:
 - Commitment to achieving growth
 - Relevance and effectiveness of initiatives
 - Demonstration of need
- Strong Action Plan required
 - 1. Seven (7) or more new initiatives draw from *Growing Mississauga*
 - 2. Growth targets
 - 3. Housing Needs Assessment (complete)

CMHC requires Action
Plan to be approval by
Council or delegated
authority

Proposed Initiatives

- Incentivize affordable rental housing
- Expand as-of-right permissions in residential neighbourhoods
- Increase capacity for additional units in neighbourhoods
- Accelerate housing through systems improvements and catered services
- Optimize government land for affordable housing





#2 - Increase housing options



Proposed Initiatives

- 6. Partner with Region of Peel on new housing
- 7. Identify opportunities for multi-unit development on key sites
- 8. Identify opportunities for multi-unit development on existing employment lands
- 9. Unlock growth by making strategic investments in transit and multi-modal oriented development
- 10. Educate community on housing / affordable housing



#6 – Support Region of Peel affordable housing projects (example: 360 City Centre Drive)

Growth Target and Funding Methodology

- Cities will be allocated funding based on targets set
- Aim: create additional growth of 1,000 to 1,500 net new units / year for 3 years
- Must identify type of units targeted, which determines funding as per Table 1

Table 1 – Per Unit Funding Amount

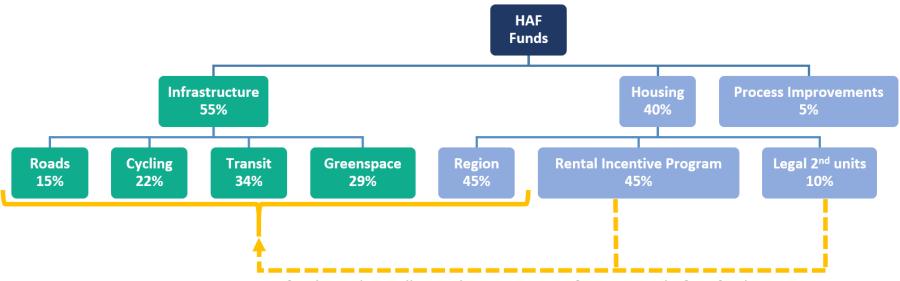
Туре	Market (\$ / unit)	Affordable (\$ / unit)
Detached units	\$20K	\$39K
Multi-unit housing (Other)	\$27K	\$46K
Multi-unit housing ('Missing Middle')	\$32K	\$51K
Multi-unit housing (close to rapid transit)	\$35K	\$54K

Spending the Funds

Broad Permissions to Spend Funds

- CMHC will allocate funding to cities based on an effective Action Plan and commitment to unit growth
- However, the funds can be broadly spent on projects beyond Initiatives identified in the submitted Action Plan
- There are four permitted funding categories, all of which contribute to housing supply growth
- Must provide CMHC with progress reports, and final funding allocation is dependent on whether targets are being achieved

Proposed Funding Breakdown



Unspent funds can be reallocated to Region or infrastructure before final report to CMHC.

Other Details and Next Steps

Next Steps

- Submit Application:
 - Approve final Action Plan
 - Requesting delegated approval authority to Chief Administrative Officer
 - Application due June 14
- If successful:
 - Enter into Contribution Agreement by end of July, 2023
 - Report back to Council re. funding allotment to Mississauga
 - Anticipated first funding advance in August, 2023 or later