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Your Worship Warden Marcus Ryan County of Oxford mryan@oxfordcounty.ca

Dear Warden Ryan:

Re: 2024-25 Confirmed Funding Allocations - Encampment Response Initiative and Last Mile Funding under Canada-Ontario Community Housing Initiative Residual (COCHI)

I am pleased to confirm a one-time project funding allocation in the amount of **\$202,500** to the County of Oxford for the Encampment Response Initiative under the Homelessness Prevention Program for the 2024-25 fiscal year for the 60 Harvey Street, Tillsonburg project to create 12 shelter beds.

Furthermore, I am pleased to confirm an additional funding allocation in the amount of **\$500,000** to the County of Oxford for the Last Mile funding under the Canada-Ontario Community Housing Initiative Residual (COCHI) for the 2024-25 fiscal year for the 785 Southwood Way project to create 4 units.

Funding Allocations - County of Oxford

Program	Number of Shelter Beds/ Number of Units	2024-25 Fiscal Year Confirmed Allocation Amounts
Encampment Response Initiative	12	\$202,500
Canada-Ontario Community Housing Initiative Residual (COCHI) – Last Mile Funding	4	\$500,000

This additional funding is conditional upon the Proponent obtaining all required planning approvals and necessary permits as required.

This funding approval is subject to the fulfillment of terms and conditions as well as administrative procedures that will be outlined in a letter accompanying the Transfer Payment Agreement. The Transfer Payment Agreement is to be signed by an authorized signatory and returned to the Ministry as soon as possible. Terms and conditions of the funding are to be fulfilled no later than **March 21, 2025**.

I am pleased that our government is able to support the important work that you do to wind down encampments and improve housing outcomes in your community. I look forward to continuing our work together.

Sincerely,

Hon. Paul Calandra

Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing

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