



Update from the Ministry of Housing






Ontario Municipal Social Services Association Housing Forum

March 8, 2018

Ontario's Vision



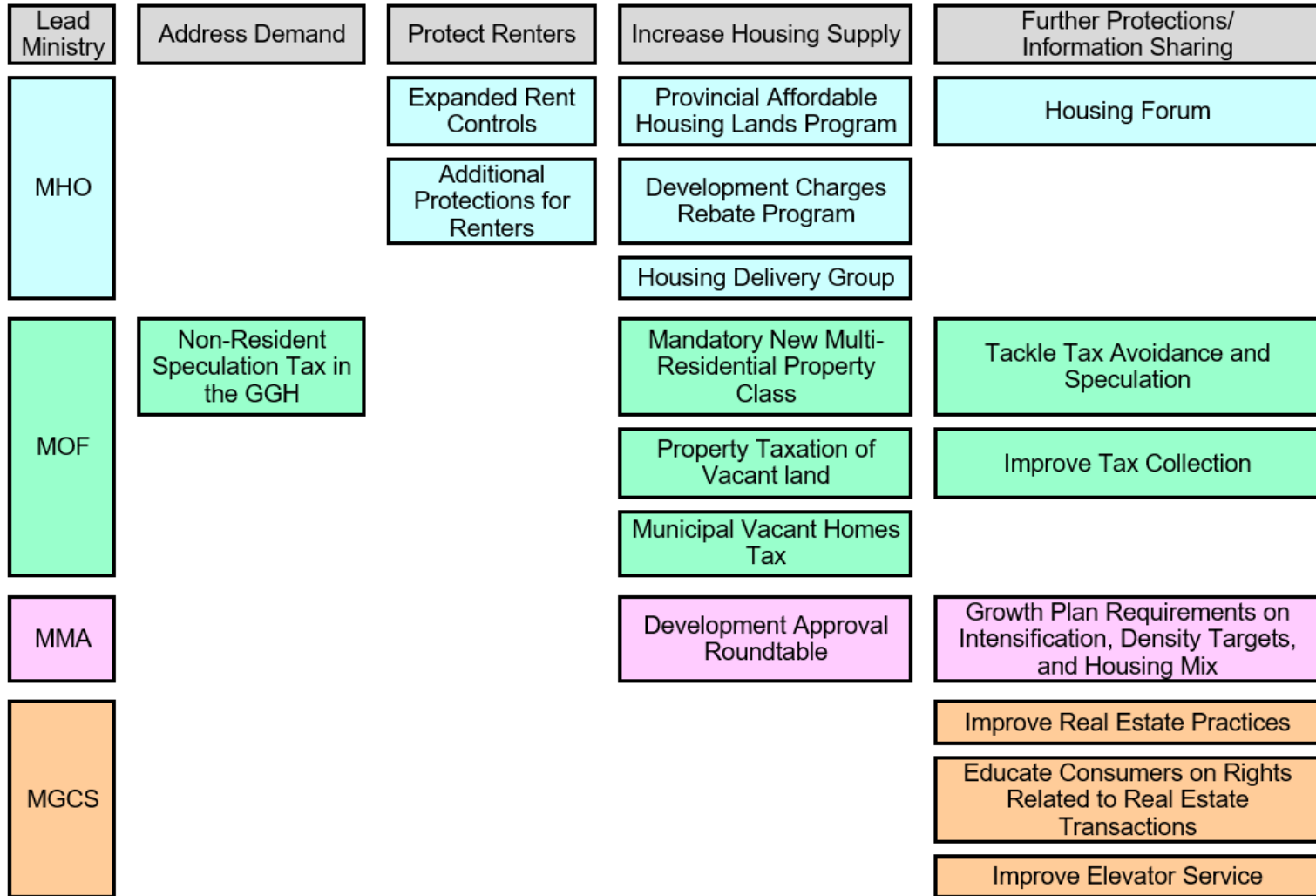
Housing and Homelessness System Transformation

Current System		Transformed System
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Inadequate supply Aging buildings Funding model dependent on subsidy 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> A range of affordable housing options (private, not-for-profit, co-operative and municipal) with good quality, sustainable homes
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Social housing wait lists operate separately from other housing assistance 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Streamlined access to multiple forms of housing assistance and supports
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Limited/inflexible financial assistance (e.g., RGI tied to a specific unit) 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Equitable, flexible and portable forms of financial assistance
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Fragmented, program-based approach to social housing 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> People-centred, integrated and affordable housing approach that recognizes the important role of housing providers with a social purpose
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> An emergency shelter system 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> An emergency shelter system that helps people become stably housed

Ontario's Long-Term Affordable Housing Strategy (LTAHS) Vision

Every person has an affordable, suitable and adequate home to provide the foundation to secure employment, raise a family and build strong communities.



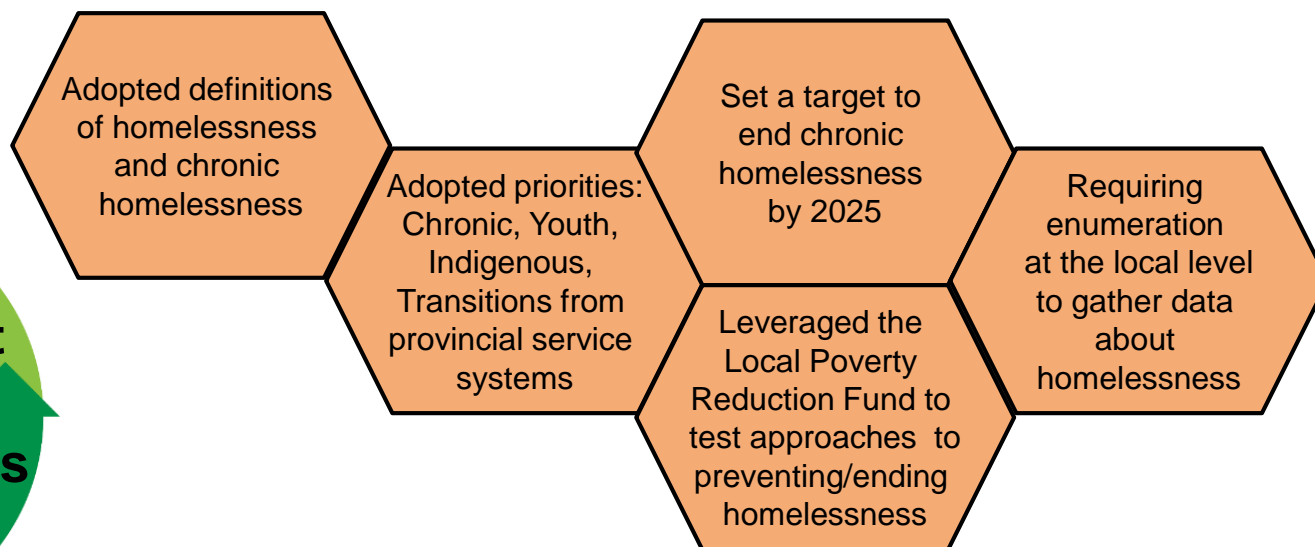


KEY HOUSING INVESTMENTS (National Level)
“A 10-year, \$40 billion plan”

National Housing Co-Investment Fund	Canada Community Housing Initiative (i.e., baseline funding for social housing)	F/P/T Housing Partnership and Canada Housing Benefit
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • \$15.9B (\$4.7B in financial contributions and \$11.2B in low interest loans) • Expected to create up to 60,000 new units and repair/renew up to 240,000 units of existing affordable and social housing • Federally delivered, and expected to attract partnerships with and investments from provinces/territories, municipalities, non-profits and the private sector • Expected to launch 2018/19 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • \$4.3B to maintain affordability for over 330,000 households living in community-based housing, support repair and renewal of existing supply, and expand the supply by 50,000 units across Canada • Funding to provinces/territories • Cost matching required • Details forthcoming 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • \$3.1B successor to the Investment in Affordable Housing program divided into two pools of funding: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. \$1.1B expected to launch in 2019-20 for “distinct housing priorities,” including affordability, repair and construction 2. \$2B expected to launch in 2020-21 for a Canada Housing Benefit to be co-developed with provinces and territories and coordinated with municipalities and other partners • Cost matching required



Response to the Expert Advisory Panel on Homelessness



Work currently underway to support the commitment:

- Identify the role that various service systems play in ending homelessness including housing, justice, child welfare, social assistance and healthcare (e.g., Community Profiles, Youth Labs)
- Collect information through Service Manager enumeration, to be held between March and May 2018, to better understand homelessness and to provide a basis for measuring change over time
- Enhance capacity in the sector and across sectors (e.g., create opportunities to share information, tools and best practices such as the Canada-Ontario Homelessness Symposium, Enumeration Champions Group to support enumeration)
- Investments in homelessness and housing for people experiencing homelessness (Community Homelessness Prevention Initiative, Home for Good)

Indigenous Housing Strategy

- As part of the LTAHS Update (March 2016) and the Journey Together (2016), the government committed to work in partnership with Indigenous organizations to develop an Indigenous Housing Strategy.
- There are a number of on-going engagement initiatives to inform the development of the Strategy with a range of Indigenous organizations and communities, as well as with Service Managers.
- In March 2017, the government announced the new supportive housing investment, including a dedicated Indigenous Supportive Housing Program.
 - Indigenous organizations will receive up to \$20 million over the next two years and up to \$20 million annually beginning in 2019-2020.
 - The ministry is working with Indigenous organizations to design and deliver the new Indigenous Supportive Housing Program (ISHP).



*Reconciliation Tree,
Donald Chretien Ojibwe
artist, Nipissing First
Nation*



Social Housing: A Vital Community Asset

- Social housing in Ontario includes projects developed and operated by non-profits, co-operatives and municipalities.
- It accounts for approximately **23%** of the purpose-built rental housing stock in Ontario, with a replacement value of more than **\$30 billion** (excluding land).
- Approximately **260,000 households** rely on social housing through rent geared to income (RGI) or low end of market rent units.
- This stock was built and developed over the past 50 years, through strong partnerships between housing providers, sector organizations, Service Managers, and federal and provincial governments.
- Non-profit and co-operative providers play a key role in providing stable, affordable housing and building strong communities for the residents they serve.



Our Shared Interest: Housing that Meets People's Needs



Supporting Ontarians to access and achieve housing stability in the housing that is right for them.

- Households live in well-maintained buildings
- Social and economic inclusion is optimized
- Tenants are protected
- Minimized impacts on tenants during transitions
- Housing is responsive to changing household needs

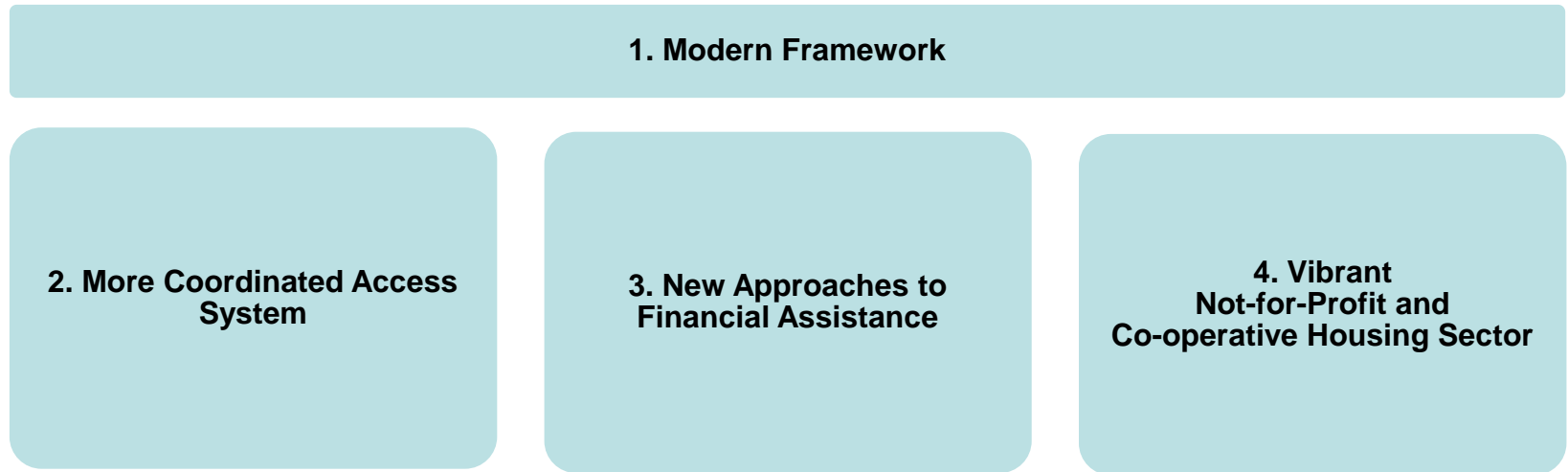


Enabling new and existing non-profit and co-operative housing supply that is modern, appropriate and meets local needs.

- Critical mass of sustainable non-profit and co-operative housing
- Mechanisms in place to repurpose supply that no longer meets local needs
- Ways to address financial or operational challenges

Modernizing Social Housing

- Modernizing social housing is a complex process that will take time. It includes many interconnected pieces – including legislative, regulatory and program changes – that are happening now and over the long-term.
- The 2016 LTAHS Update identified four key priority areas associated with modernization:



- The ministry convened a Social Housing Modernization Discussion Forum to provide expert advice and support long-term planning on these modernization efforts.
 - The Discussion Forum includes representatives from Service Managers, social housing providers, community organizations, partner ministries (MOHLTC, MCSS), and the federal government through the Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation (CMHC).

Regional Sessions: Schedule and Locations

Western Municipal Services Area	Eastern Municipal Services Area	Central Municipal Services Area	Northern Municipal Services Area
<p><u>London</u></p> <p>Thursday, February 15, 2018</p> <p>Goodwill Centre 255 Horton Street London, Ontario</p>	<p><u>Ottawa</u></p> <p>Wednesday, February 28, 2018</p> <p>Ron Kolbus Place 102 Greenview Avenue Ottawa, Ontario</p>	<p><u>Halton</u></p> <p>Friday, March 2, 2018</p> <p>Halton Regional Centre 1151 Bronte Road Oakville, Ontario</p>	<p><u>Thunder Bay</u></p> <p>Wednesday, March 21, 2018</p> <p>Airline Hotel and Conference Centre 698 Arthur Street West Thunder Bay, Ontario</p>
		<p><u>Durham</u></p> <p>Monday, March 5, 2018</p> <p>Durham Banquet Hall and Conference Centre 559 Bloor Street West Oshawa, Ontario</p>	<p><u>Sudbury</u></p> <p>Wednesday, March 28, 2018</p> <p>Lexington Hotel and Conference Centre 50 Brady Street Sudbury, Ontario</p>
		<p><u>Toronto</u></p> <p>Friday, March 9, 2018</p> <p>St. Paul's, Bloor Street 227 Bloor Street East Toronto, Ontario</p>	

Technical Discussion Document

- *Social Housing Modernization Technical Discussion Document #2: A Modern Framework* was released in February 2018.
 - The discussion document provides more information and includes a number of questions to elicit your feedback.
- To provide your comments, including your responses to the discussion questions:

Send us an email with your feedback:

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OR

Mail written comments:

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- Please submit all feedback **before April 30, 2018.**

Getting Ready

