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# Context

In October 2022, the Government of Nunavut announced the Nunavut 3000 Strategic Plan, also known as *Iglulioqatigiingniq* (“building houses together”). The strategy outlines the plan to build 3,000 homes in Nunavut over the next 10 years, including 900 affordable rental units and 300 transitional beds.

In February of 2023, the Nunavut Housing Corporation (NHC) and the Community Housing Transformation Centre (The Centre) entered into a partnership to work together to build capacity in the community housing sector in Nunavut. To do this, the two organizations collaborate to expand, empower, and support non-profit organizations.

The Nunalingni Piruqpaalirut Fund (NPF) is a new fund aimed at supporting the community housing sector in Nunavut. The NHC will invest up to \$1,160,000 to the growth fund to support projects that strengthen the community housing sector in Nunavut, while the Centre is making a \$200,000 financial contribution, in addition to \$300,000 in in-kind services.

- >>>> The Nunalingni Piruqpaalirut Fund offers new financial resources to support Nunavut’s non-profit and co-operative housing. It’s an acknowledgement of the vital role they play in creating healthy, vibrant, and affordable communities. The fund provides money as well as new tools and expertise, empowering community housing providers to increase the supply of affordable housing options.

# Introduction

The Community Housing Transformation Centre (the Centre) is a national non-profit organization specialized in providing support and funding allocation to the community housing sector across Canada. The Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation (CMHC) relies on the Centre to allocate \$50 million dollars out of the National Housing Strategy to enhance the resilience and growth of the community housing sector from coast to coast to coast.

As a result, the Centre developed specialized expertise, strengthened by customized IT and administrative tools that ensure highly efficient and secure grant allocation and management. This partnership means that territorial funds will flow much faster to eligible co-operative and non-profit housing organizations.

# Priority Areas

## Nunavut Housing Corporation

- Reducing homelessness by identifying housing options
- Increasing stock of affordable housing for vulnerable populations and underrepresented groups
- Renovating or repurposing existing buildings for use in the housing continuum
- Leveraging solutions to ensure improvement of both the social and economic conditions of Inuit.
- Collaborating with communities and partners in poverty reduction
- Advancing capacity building opportunities within the community housing sector
- Leveraging resources and support
- Providing navigation and support services to people in housing need

# Funding Objectives & Streams



<b>Capacity Building</b> (Grants up to \$50,000)	<b>Planning &amp; Pre-Development</b> (Grants up to \$50,000)	<b>Research &amp; Innovation</b> (Grants up to \$10,000)
<b>Nunavut Housing Corporation</b>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Support the identification of organizational and/or sectoral gaps in capacity and address these gaps through targeted activities and the development of resources</li> <li>• Help community housing sector organizations strengthen the skills and competencies needed to undertake activities that lead to organizational transformation and growth.</li> <li>• Address systemic barriers to housing.</li> <li>• Focus on operating models that create a strong sustainable foundation for growth.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Help cover costs of pre-development activities related to the construction of new affordable housing supply, especially for small-scale Community Housing providers.</li> <li>• Address barriers that Nunavut Community Housing providers face in accessing capital and accessing federal funding (e.g., CMHC seed funding and Co-Investment Fund, Green Municipal Fund, Sustainable Affordable Housing Fund).</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Support to undertake activities that will promote innovation, education, and knowledge-transfer in the Community Housing sector.</li> </ul>

# Conditions

- Will not fund activities executed prior to project approval.
- The NPF logo will be featured on all project-related materials, including and not limited to website, promotional materials etc.
- Organizations may apply for funding from more than one stream as long as they are not in default with the Centre concerning a previous application.

# Required Documentation

The information provided in the completed application form should be sufficient in the evaluation of projects however, occasionally, you may be asked to provide additional supporting documentation such as a detailed project timeline, budget or proposal.

Along with a completed application form, projects that are submitted must include the following documents:

Requested amount	Required documents
<b>\$25,000 or less</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Letters Patent or documents of incorporation of the organization</li><li>• Void cheque</li><li>• Two reference contacts (First name, last name, phone, email address, name of the organization, relationship with the requesting organization)</li></ul>
<b>\$50,000 or less</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Letters Patent or documents of incorporation of the organization</li><li>• Void cheque</li><li>• Most recent financial statements</li><li>• 1 letter of support</li></ul>

Please note that letters of support should:

- support your proposal and elaborate on your organization's capacity to carry out the project, and;
- come from contacts to related experiences and/or your partners on this project.



# Eligibility



	Capacity Building	Planning & Pre-Development	Research & Innovation
Eligibility Criteria	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Non-profit housing providers</li> <li>• Co-operative Housing</li> <li>• Non-profit organizations</li> <li>• Community/regional groups, coalitions etc.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Non-profit housing providers</li> <li>• Co-operative Housing</li> <li>• Non-profit organizations</li> <li>• Community/regional groups coalitions etc.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Non-profit housing providers</li> <li>• Co-operative Housing</li> <li>• Non-profit organizations</li> <li>• Community/regional groups, coalitions etc.</li> <li>• Academics in partnership with NPO (the NPO must apply).</li> </ul>
Eligible activities	<p>Examples of eligible activities include but are not limited to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Building Condition assessments</li> <li>• Asset management plans</li> <li>• Portfolio reviews</li> <li>• Strategic planning and organizational reviews</li> <li>• Mergers, consolidation and acquisition planning</li> <li>• Project and property management support</li> </ul>	<p>Examples of eligible activities include but are not limited to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Business plans</li> <li>• Preliminary designs</li> <li>• Development permits</li> <li>• Initial analysis and risk assessment</li> <li>• Professional services</li> </ul>	<p>Examples of eligible activities include but are not limited to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Researching housing need in communities and among underrepresented groups.</li> <li>• Researching innovative construction methods and materials to improve sustainability and affordability.</li> <li>• Gather data to support long-term strategies for Community Housing sector stabilization, transformation and growth.</li> <li>• Building capacity to develop innovative, evidence-based approaches to increasing affordable housing supply.</li> </ul>

# Project Evaluation

## Evaluation criteria

The evaluation of each application will be undertaken through a thorough process by a Program Manager. The Nunalingni Piruqpaalirut Fund Selection Committee will make the final decision on all eligible project proposals.

## Evaluation scoring

### **Clarity of the request:**

- The proposal has clearly elaborated on the project's beginning (planning/initiation), middle (execution) and end (closure).

### **Potential of transformational impact:**

- The project has potential for transformative change, defined as sustainable, long-term, concrete, and far reaching.

### **Clearly identified need of the project:**

- The proposal presents a clear understanding of the needs of the community/organization.
- The proposal identifies gaps in the sector.

### **Partnerships:**

- The partnerships are sufficient for the scale and scope of the project, or the organization's ability to demonstrate that they do not need partnerships given internal capacity.

### **Feasibility and organizational capacity:**

- The project scale and budget properly aligned.
- The organization has the human and material resources and ability to overcome challenges.

### **Capacity to innovate:**

- Application proposes implementing an existing idea/concept in a new way or proposes innovative approaches in the organization/sector.

### **Potential of organizational/community housing sector impact:**

- The proposal clearly outlines the project's capacity to have a positive impact either organizationally or within the community housing sector.

# Evaluation Process

Program manager – Project evaluation and recommendations > Director of Programs – validation > Nunavut Selection Committee – Final approval

# Disbursement and Reporting

Funding Stream/ Awarded Amount	Duration	Reports	Payments
NPF-RI	Any	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Final Report</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>First: 80%</li> <li>Last: 20%</li> </ul>
up to \$50,000	1 year or less	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Phone call at half-way mark</li> <li>Progress report at the halfway mark minus 1 month</li> <li>Final Report</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>First: 70%</li> <li>Last: 30%</li> </ul>
up to \$50,000	2 years or less	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Phone call every 6 months</li> <li>Progress report at the halfway mark minus 1 month</li> <li>Final Report</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>First: 60%</li> <li>2nd payment: 20%</li> <li>Last: 20%</li> </ul>
up to \$50,000	Over 2 years	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Phone call every 6 months</li> <li>Progress report(s) at the end of each project year minus 1 month</li> <li>Final Report</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>First: 60%</li> <li>2nd payment: 20% attached to first progress report</li> <li>Last: 20%</li> </ul>



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