

The Municipal Infrastructure Grant Program – Infrastructure for Affordable Housing Development

Response to Questions:

1. If an affordable housing development were to be approved which required the developer to extend a water line a significant distance to reach the proposed site, could the Town apply to RIIB for funds to assist that development which would also make accessible water service to nearby commercial properties or market-rate housing?

Yes, as long as the water line is owned by the municipality/municipal water authority.

2. A Town wants to apply for funding. The Town won't have a budget for 2-3 months; can the Town still apply?

Yes, the application will be reviewed in accordance with the Request for Proposals.

3. Are the funds limited to actual public infrastructure improvements or can they be used to directly fund things like stormwater improvements on private property for a private affordable housing development?

All funds must be spent on publicly owned infrastructure directly connected to the development of affordable housing units.

4. What qualifies as infrastructure? Does it include brownfields remediation such as capping of contamination by parking or other surfaces?

All funds must be spent on publicly owned infrastructure directly connected to the development of affordable housing units, which may include remediation such as capping publicly owned property by parking or other surfaces.

5. The RFP references "site-related infrastructure". May we assume that infrastructure located on the development site such as stormwater improvements, parking, landscaping, and utilities qualifies?

All funds must be spent on publicly owned infrastructure directly connected to the development of affordable housing units.

6. Since the municipality must be the applicant, is municipal control of the infrastructure through ownership or easement required or preferred?

All funds must be spent on publicly owned infrastructure directly connected to the development of affordable housing units – municipal/public ownership is required.



- 7. Must the application demonstrate a public benefit beyond the inherent benefit of producing new, affordable and market rate housing? Such as environmental and utility benefits extending beyond the site and to the area? Applications will be reviewed in accordance with the Request for Proposals.
- 8. Is there a cap on the amount of funding which may be requested? No