Canada’s first ever National Housing Strategy
A 10-year, $40-billion + plan to give more Canadians a place to call home.

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Housing is more than just a roof over our heads

The National Housing Strategy Principles:

**People**
- Ensuring more Canadians have access to housing that is safe and that they can afford
- Prioritizing vulnerable persons
- Encouraging public participation in the development and evaluation of the policy

**Communities**
- Promoting diverse, inclusive communities by building sustainable, accessible and mixed use housing
- Empowering communities to develop and implement local solutions to housing challenges
- Promoting housing investments and life that supports Canada’s climate change agenda to accessible communities

**Partnerships**
- Maintaining and prioritizing a resilient community housing sector
- Encouraging transparent and accountable partnerships to create better outcomes
- Recognizing that First Nations, Inuit and Metis Nation housing strategies must be co-developed and founded in the values of recognition of rights, respect and co-operation

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**A vision for housing in Canada**

Canadians have housing that meets their needs and they can afford. Affordable housing is a cornerstone of sustainable, inclusive communities and a Canadian economy where we can prosper and thrive.

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**A $40-billion + once-in-a-generation investment**

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* Includes cost-matching by provinces and territories

**Stronger communities. Greater opportunities.**

- The NHS is a detailed 10-year plan that will deliver results and benefit all Canadians — including building more affordable, accessible, inclusive and sustainable homes.

**$10,000 new housing units created**
- Representing 4x as many units built under federal programs from 2005 to 2015.

**Community housing units protected and another 50,000 units created through an expansion of community housing**

**530,000 households**
- Removed from housing need
- Provided with affordability support through the Canada Housing Benefit

**300,000 existing housing units repaired and renewed**
- Representing 3x as many units repaired and renewed under federal programs from 2005 to 2015.

**50% reduction in estimated number of chronically homeless shelter users**

**300,000 households**
- Representing an increase in shelter space through the National Housing Co-Investment Fund

**At least 25% with a target of 33% of National Housing Strategy Investments**
- Will support projects that specifically target the unique needs of women and girls.

- Ongoing consultations, including an annual Women’s Housing Symposium
- New and repaired shelter spaces
- Financial support through the Canada Housing Benefit
- Improved affordable housing options and increased shelter space through the National Housing Co-Investment Fund
- Ongoing community housing subsidies
- Targeted research on women’s housing needs
- Affordable housing for senior women
- Improved housing affordability and safety through a human rights-based approach to housing

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**Federal programs**
- Housing Rights are Human Rights
- National Housing Co-Investment Fund to build or repair housing with at least:
  - 20% accessible or universally-designed units
  - 25% better energy-efficiency
  - 20-year commitment to affordability

**New Tools and Partnerships**
- New federal social housing agreements
- New data and research to close knowledge gaps
- New resources for community housing
- Demonstration projects to share ideas and opportunities
- National Housing Council to guide the future of the strategy
- Surplus federal lands at low or no cost for affordable housing

**Partnerships with the provinces and territories**
- Preserve, renew and expand community housing for low-income Canadians
- Design and deliver a housing benefit for people in housing need
- Support local needs and priorities

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**Helping Canadians**

At least 7,000 SHELTER SPACES created or repaired for survivors of family violence

At least 4,000 (NHS) + 3,000 (Budget 2016)

At least 12,000 NEW AFFORDABLE UNITS created for seniors

At least 7,000 (NHS) + 5,000 (Budget 2016)

At least 2,400 NEW AFFORDABLE UNITS created for people with developmental disabilities