

## Housing Initiatives Fund

### Project Concept Proposal Guide

This is a resource to support the development of project concept applications to the Housing Initiatives Fund. Applications should include all of the information outlined in this document or the evaluation form.



The Project Concept fund supports expenses related to pre-development activities for affordable housing projects as proponents work to move their initiatives towards shovel-ready status. Proponents are eligible to receive up to \$20,000 per application.

The fund is application-based and open all year. Funding proposals will be assessed on a competitive basis as and when received.

#### Section 1 – Project Concepts

##### Eligible applicants include:

- Yukon residents or Yukon incorporated businesses with proof of Yukon residency;
- Community housing providers including public or private non-profit housing organizations or rental co-operatives;
- First Nations government and development corporations;
- Private sector companies; and/or
- Individuals.

##### Further eligibility criteria:

- Projects must be located in the Yukon;
- Lead to the delivery of a minimum of 4 affordable units in Whitehorse; and a minimum 1 affordable unit in rural Yukon communities;
- Barrier free – minimum 1 unit or 20 per cent of units, whichever is greater, based on Government of Yukon or CMHC Barrier Free Design Guide;
- Energy efficient – 25 per cent more efficient than the National Building Code Standard;
- Meet affordability criteria;
- Submissions must include a project narrative, including general information such as location, design, target clients, and management approach; and
- Include preliminary costing of pre-development activities.

FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE CONTACT:

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## Eligible activities and expenses:

The following activities are eligible. Please note this list is not exhaustive.

- Accessibility modelling study (cost-benefit analysis)
- Analysis of need and demand of proposed project
- Business plans
- Completion appraisal
- Construction cost estimates
- Contract documents
- Development permits
- Energy modelling study (cost-benefit analysis)
- Environmental site assessment
- Final viability report
- Geotechnical reports
- Planning fees (rezoning, development agreement costs)
- Preliminary design
- Preliminary financial feasibility
- Professional appraisal
- Project drawings and specifications
- Project viability study
- Quantity surveyor
- Site surveys

