



Report To: Manitoulin-Sudbury DSB

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Re: Residential Rehabilitation Assistance Program (RRAP) and Ontario Renovates Program - Issue Report

REPORT

Purpose

To provide a summary of the impact on the Manitoulin-Sudbury DSB jurisdiction with the incorporation of the Residential Rehabilitation Assistance Program (RRAP) into the Ontario Renovates component of the Investment in Affordable Housing (IAH) Program.

Background

Over the past several years the Federal and Provincial governments have jointly introduced programs to support the development of new rental housing stock, provide assistance to rental households to purchase affordable homes and provide monies to assist low to moderate income homeowners with repairs to their existing residences. The most recent program was called the Canada-Ontario Affordable Housing Program (AHP). This program was managed by the Manitoulin-Sudbury DSB with assistance by a contracted field agent.

Concurrently, the Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation (CMHC) provided funding for the RRAP program which offered financial assistance to low-income homeowners for mandatory home repairs that will preserve the quality of affordable housing. This program helped people who live in substandard dwellings and cannot afford to pay for necessary repairs to their home. The RRAP program was not managed by the DSB but by a contracted field agent who reported to the Program Officer at the Sudbury Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation (CMHC) office. The combined contributions

of each program injected significant dollars into the Manitoulin- Sudbury DSB jurisdiction to assist homeowners with their issues.

2007 - 2010 Manitoulin -Sudbury DSB AHP Allocation & RRAP Allocation

Year	Affordable Housing Program Northern Repair	Residential Rehabilitation Assistance Program	Total Contribution per Year
2007	\$385,000	\$543,000	\$928,000
2008	\$642,000	\$374,000	\$1,016,000
2009	\$730,000	\$161,000	\$891,000
2010	\$800,000	\$468,000	\$1,268,000
Total	\$2,557,000	\$1,546,000	\$4,103,000
Average Per Year			\$1,025,750

Investment in Affordable Housing Initiative

On August 12, 2011 the Manitoulin-Sudbury DSB received notification from the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing (MMAH) that we have been granted an IAH notional allocation. The IAH program is a joint initiative between the provincial and the federal government for the creation and repair of affordable housing over four years. The IAH initiative replaces the Northern Repair Program. Please refer to the September 22, 2011 [Investment in Affordable Housing \(IAH\) Program - Summary Report](#) for further details.

2011- 2015 Manitoulin-Sudbury DSB IAH Notional Allocation

Year 2 2012-13	Year 3 2013-14	Year 4 2014-15	Total	Avg. per Year
\$416,595	\$417,341	\$181,241	\$1,015,176	\$253,794

Note: There is no allocation of funds for the fiscal year 2011-12.

Subsequent information from the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing indicated that beginning in Year 2 of the IAH program - April 1, 2012, the RRAP program will be incorporated into the IAH program.

The new IAH program allocation of \$1,015,176 is for 4 years from 2011 to 2015 and this covers 6 separate components:

1. Rental Housing Component
2. Homeownership Component
3. Northern Repair Component - Available for Year 1 (2011-12) Only
4. Ontario Renovates - Available starting in Year 2 (2012-13 to 2014-15)
5. Rent Supplement Component
6. Housing Allowance Component

The chart below assumes that the entire IAH allocation of \$1,015,176 is used exclusively for the Ontario Renovates Program and the DSB does not deliver any other component of the IAH program.

AHP + RRAP 2007-10	IAH 2011-15	% Decrease in Funding	\$ Decrease in Funding	# Households Affected - \$20K of assistance per household	# Households on file waiting for assistance
\$4,103,000 Assisted 205 households	\$1,015,176 Can Assist 51 households	↓ 75%	↓ \$3,087,782	154 households will not receive assistance	135 households representing approximately \$2,000,000 in repairs ★

★ Information provided by Mantech Services, the authorized agent for assistance in the Northern Repair program administered by the DSB and management of the RRAP program administered by CMHC.

Recommendation

That the Manitoulin-Sudbury DSB approves a resolution petitioning the Federal and Provincial government to ensure that the existing Federal RRAP funding and administration fees are transferred to the DSB prior to the integration of the RRAP into the Ontario Renovates program slated to start 2012.