



The Corporation of the City of Sault Ste. Marie
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Historic Agreement Delivers up to \$4 Billion to Support Municipalities and Transit

Safe Restart Agreement Represents New Funding for Many Priority Programs in Ontario

July 27, 2020 1:00 P.M. | [Office of the Premier](#)

TORONTO — The Ontario government, in partnership with the federal government, is providing up to \$4 billion in urgently needed one-time assistance to Ontario's 444 municipalities. This funding will help local governments maintain the critical services people rely on every day, including public transit, over the next six to eight months. Details on specific allocations will be provided in the coming weeks. This funding is part of the province's made-in-Ontario plan for renewal, growth and economic recovery.

The announcement was made today by Premier Doug Ford, Christine Elliott, Deputy Premier and Minister of Health, Rod Phillips, Minister of Finance, Steve Clark, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, and Caroline Mulroney, Minister of Transportation.

"By working together, we have united the country in the face of the immense challenges brought on by COVID-19 and secured a historic deal with the federal government to ensure a strong recovery for Ontario and for Canada," said Premier Ford. "I want to thank Ontario's 444 local leaders who supported us through our negotiations with the federal government and through each stage of reopening. We will continue to be a champion for our municipal partners as they safely reopen their communities and ensure people can get back to work."

Premier Ford worked collaboratively with municipal partners, fellow Premiers, Prime Minister Trudeau and Deputy Prime Minister Freeland to reach this historic agreement, which includes \$777 million from the federal government and \$1.22 billion from the province in support for municipalities. Ontario will continue to work closely with its municipal partners to ensure this funding provides the support they need to address budget shortfalls related to COVID-19.

"Ontario's municipalities are the backbone of our great province," said Minister Clark. "Our government is committed to working hand in hand with our municipal partners to help them emerge stronger and enable them to lead economic recovery in every community. And the funding we are announcing today will play a critical role in that."

"Ontario municipalities told us they are dealing with a \$4 billion shortfall as a result of COVID-19," said Minister Phillips. "Failing to act could result in cuts to services and higher taxes. That's why, under Premier Ford's leadership, Ontario was a strong advocate at the negotiating table to ensure municipalities and transit systems were supported as part of the Safe Restart Agreement. This is a historic level of support that's being provided during unprecedented times."

Through Ontario's leadership, a deal for public transit funding was also secured as part of the federal-provincial agreement. Up to \$2 billion will be shared equally between Ontario and the federal government. Transit operators that have seen steep declines in revenues will receive the support they need to help address the financial impacts of COVID-19 and maintain their operations in a safe manner.

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"This funding will help ensure transit services continue to be there so people can get where they need to go as our province reopens and people return to work."

The Safe Restart Agreement will help ensure a strong and safe recovery for Ontario through investments in testing, contact tracing and data management; health care capacity and mental health; protecting vulnerable populations, including people experiencing homelessness and seniors in long-term care facilities; securing personal protective equipment (PPE); child care for returning workers; and support for municipalities and public transit systems.

Quick Facts

- Ontario has invested about \$350 million to [support municipalities and social service providers](#) such as shelters and food banks, as well as individuals receiving social assistance and those who are ineligible to receive federal support.
- Ontario invested \$100 million to support extraordinary public health costs incurred in responding to the COVID-19 outbreak and in protecting Ontarians.
- Throughout the COVID-19 pandemic, the Ontario government has worked with municipalities to provide them with the tools and supports they need, including enabling [them to hold virtual council and local board meetings during emergencies](#) and temporarily extending expiring development charge bylaws to ensure they could continue to collect this vital source of revenue.

Additional Resources

- [Joint Communiqué — Safe Restart Agreement](#)
- [Learn more about A Framework for Reopening our Province](#)
- [Provide your input on the economic impacts of COVID-19](#)
- [See how your organization can help fight COVID-19](#)
- [Visit Ontario's website to learn more about how the province continues to protect the people of Ontario from COVID-19](#)

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Via email: premier@ontario.ca

July 27, 2020

The Honourable Doug Ford
Premier of Ontario
Legislative Building, Room 281
Queen's Park
Toronto, Ontario M7A 1A1

Dear Premier Ford:

Re: Federal-Provincial Safe Re-Start Agreement

On behalf of AMO member municipal governments in every part of Ontario, thank you for your efforts to secure a good deal for municipalities and the communities they serve

Your work with other first ministers, and the successful efforts of Ministers Clark, Mulroney and Phillips with their federal, provincial and territorial counterparts, meant that Ontario was at the forefront of an important national discussion on the essential role of municipal government in Canada.

Your government's championship of these issues, its recognition that municipalities will lead the recovery, and your commitment to provide matching provincial resources are greatly appreciated.

Your advance on financial assistance through the Social Services Relied Fund was timely and lifesaving. Providing service managers with the flexibility to deploy the funds quickly and accountably, reflecting urgent local circumstances was innovative and highly effective.

AMO is proud of the role we played along with our many partners to advance the interests of the municipal sector, and the people and families, and public and private enterprises that comprise our communities.

We look forward to working in partnership with your government to ensure that financially sustainable municipalities can play their essential role in restarting and rebuilding the Ontario economy.

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Thank you again for your efforts on behalf of municipalities in every part of Ontario. We look forward to welcoming you and your Cabinet colleagues to the AMO conference in the very near future.

Yours Sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'JM', with a long horizontal line extending to the right.

Jamie McGarvey
President

Cc The Honourable Steve Clark, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing
The Honourable Caroline Mulroney, Minister of Transportation
The Honourable Rod Phillips, Minister of Finance

From: [City Clerk](#)
To: [Rachel Tyczinski](#); [Madison Zuppa](#)
Subject: FW: Partnering with municipalites in economic recovery from Covid -19
Date: Friday, July 24, 2020 11:43:28 AM
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Subject: Partnering with municipalites in economic recovery from Covid -19

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Dear Mayor Provenzano and Councillors,

As you are well aware, municipal workers are on the front-lines going flat out to deliver the public services that keep us safe during COVID-19. However, responding to this pandemic has left municipal governments in financial crisis. Their revenues have collapsed and unanticipated costs are soaring.

Without financial help, cities will be forced to cut the vital local services our families and communities rely on. Our cities are major economic drivers and this financial crisis is a threat to Canada's economic recovery. Provincial and federal levels of government must step up and provide financial support to our cities.

The Sault Ste. Marie District Labour Council working with the Canadian Labour Congress has been working to lobby the Ontario and federal governments to provide financial support. Many cities across Canada are currently working to pass the attached motion in order to keep the pressure on. Please consider doing the same.

Please advise if we can be of further assistance in these pursuits. We would like to be part of conversations in the economic recovery from COVID-19.

Sincerely,

Michele McCleave-Kennedy
SSMDLC President
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[Which] REGION

Proposed Motion for Local Governments

BECAUSE our local city and town councils, big or small, rural or urban are on the front lines of some of the most pressing challenges facing Canada;

BECAUSE municipal workers are going flat out to deliver the public services that keep us safe during the COVID-19 crisis;

BECAUSE municipal revenues are collapsing and unanticipated costs are soaring;

BECAUSE without financial help, cities and towns will be forced to cut vital local services our families and communities rely upon;

BECAUSE public transportation makes our communities more livable and fights climate change;

“The city of” asks (or demands) the federal (and provincial) government(s) to provide emergency operating funds to protect vital local services, including public transportation and emergency services.

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West Nipissing Ouest

Joie de vivre

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July 27, 2020

Honourable Justin Trudeau, Prime Minister
Office of the Prime Minister of Canada
80 Wellington Street
Ottawa, ON K1A 0A2

SENT VIA E-MAIL

Honourable Prime Minister Trudeau:

SUBJECT: REQUEST TO SUPPORT COMMUNITIES WITH EMERGENCY OPERATIONAL FUNDING

At its regular meeting held on July 21, 2020, Council for the Municipality of West Nipissing passed resolution **2020/226**, attached hereto. The resolution supports a request circulated by the City of North Bay, asking the Federal Government to support communities with a minimum \$10-billion funding for emergency operation support.

We trust the enclosed is self-explanatory.

Respectfully,

Deputy Clerk / Assistant to the
Chief Administrative Officer

\Encl.

cc: Minister of Infrastructure and Communities
Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO)
Federation of Northern Ontario Municipalities (FONOM)
Neighbouring municipalities



The Corporation of the Municipality of West Nipissing /
La Corporation de la Municipalité de Nipissing Ouest

Resolution No.

2020 / 224

JULY 21, 2020

Moved by / *Proposé par* :

« *Yvon Duhaime* »

Seconded by / *Appuyé par* :

« *Chris Fisher* »

WHEREAS the Municipality of West Nipissing received a resolution from The Corporation of the City of North Bay supporting the Federation of Canadian Municipalities’ (FCM) request asking the Federal Government to support communities with a minimum of \$10-billion funding for emergency operational support;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council for the Municipality of West Nipissing supports The Corporation of the City of North Bay’s resolution supporting the Federation of Canadian Municipalities’ (FCM) request asking the Federal Government to support communities with a minimum of \$10-billion funding for emergency operational support;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Federation of Northern Ontario Municipalities (FONOM), Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO), MP Marc Serré, MPP John Vanthof and neighbouring municipalities.

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DUHAIME, Yvon		
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SÉGUIN, Jeremy		
SÉNÉCAL, Denis		
SÉNÉCAL, Lise		
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The Right Honourable Justin Trudeau
Office of the Prime Minister of Canada
80 Wellington Street
Ottawa, ON K1A 0A2

Dear Right Honourable Prime Minister Trudeau:

This is Resolution No. 2020-200(a)&(b) which was unanimously passed by Council at its Regular Meeting held Tuesday, June 30, 2020.

Resolution No. 2020-200(a)&(b):

"Whereas the current COVID-19 pandemic will have an impact on Municipalities;

And Whereas Municipalities are not allowed to budget for a deficit, and will face challenges with reduced revenues, potential challenges with the tax base ability to pay, and the cost of local essential services our citizens rely on;

And Whereas the Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM) has put forward a request to the Federal Government to support communities with a minimum \$10-billion funding for emergency operational support.

Therefore Be It Resolved that the City of North Bay support the FCM's request with a letter to the Prime Minister, as well as the Minister of Infrastructure and Communities;

Further that a request for similar support from the Federation of Northern Ontario Municipalities, Association of Municipalities of Ontario, MP Anthony Rota, Members of the Opposition, MPP Victor Fedeli and neighbouring Municipalities."

Yours truly,

Jenn Montreuil
Deputy City Clerk

JM/ck

cc: Hon. Catherine McKenna, Minister of Infrastructure and Communities
Federation of Northern Ontario Municipalities
Association of Municipalities of Ontario
Anthony Rota, MP
Hon. Jagmeet Singh, Leader of the Opposition NDP
Hon. Andrew Scheer, Leader of the Opposition PC
Hon. Jo-Ann Roberts, Interim Leader of the Opposition Green Party
Hon. Mario Beaulieu, Interim Leader of the Bloc Quebecois
Victor Fedeli, MPP
Neighbouring Municipalities (12)