



Northern Ontario Service
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June 20, 2016

Hon. Chris Ballard
Minister of Housing
College Park
17th Floor, 777 Bay St
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Dear Minister Ballard:

Housing Program Funding Flexibility

As you know, the Northern Ontario Service Deliverers Association (NOSDA) is an incorporated body that brings together Northern Ontario's 11 Municipal Service Managers.

At our 2016 Annual General Meeting last week, the following Resolution was passed unanimously:

Whereas Service Managers need the flexibility to pool program dollars across fiscal periods in order to optimize program delivery and generate scale for project development. And

Whereas the Provinces of Alberta and British Columbia already demonstrate program funding models which are not based on an in-year 'use it or lose it' policy; and

Whereas this is a quick and easy win.

Therefore be it resolved that Ontario should eliminate the 'Use It or Lose It' funding policy associated with program funding.

Minister, we seek your assistance to ensure that we have the opportunity to work with your government to build flexibility into Housing Funding Programs that are more suited to the needs of Northern Ontarians.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Iain Angus". The signature is written in a cursive style with a long horizontal stroke at the end.

Iain Angus, Chair

cc. Hon. Kathleen Wynne, Premier of Ontario
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Keith Palmer, President, OMSSA
Sheila McMahon, President, OFIFC
Janet Hope, ADM, Ministry of Housing