CANADA COMMUNITY-BUILDING FUND (CCBF) -INFO SESSION



Department of Municipal Affairs and Housing November 25th, 2024

CCBF OVERVIEW



Annual Federal transfer-based program



CCBF Renewed Administrative Agreement (April 1, 2024- Mar 31, 2034) – 10-year investment (average of \$60 M per annum-TBD)



Renewed 2024-2034 Agreement includes housing requirements for Municipalities > 30k.



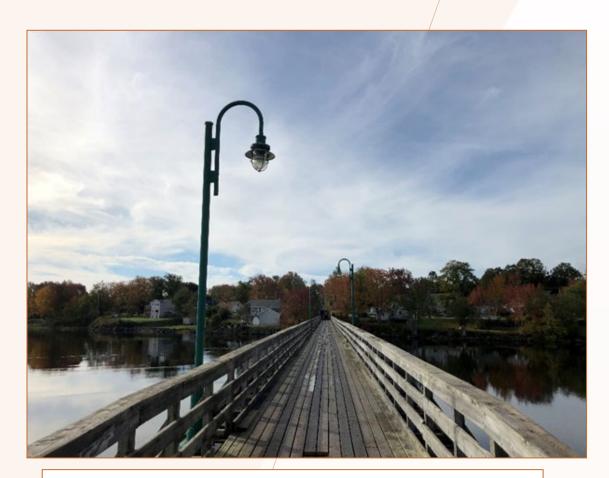
Provides long-term capital funding for NS Municipalities to help build and revitalize local public infrastructure



Program is administered by the Department of Municipal Affairs and Housing (DMAH) with help from Nova Scotia Federation of Municipalities (NSFM)

ELIGIBLE PROJECT CATEGORIES

PRODUCTIVITY AND ECONOMIC GROWTH	STRONG CITIES AND COMMUNITIES	CLEANER ENVIRONMENT
Local Roads and Bridges	Capacity Building	Community Energy Systems
Public Transit	Sport	Drinking Water
Regional and Local Airports	Recreation	Wastewater
Broadband Connectivity	Culture	Solid Waste
Short Sea Shipping	Tourism	Brownfield Redevelopment
Short-Line Rail	Fire Hall/Station Infrastructure	
Highways	Resilience New!	

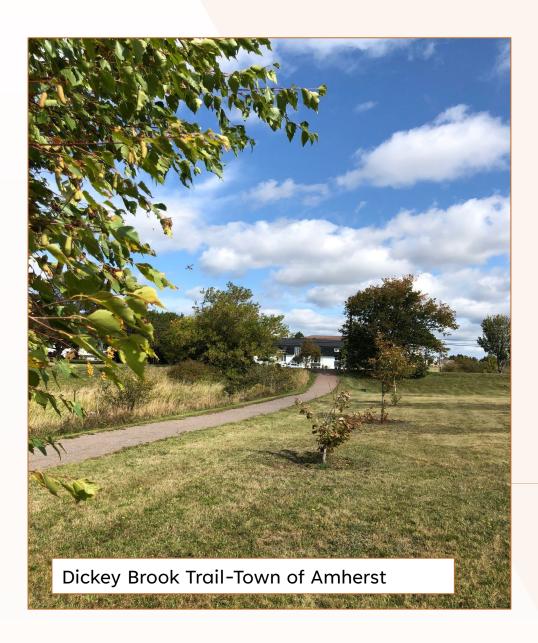


Trestle Trail Bridge, Liverpool, Nova Scotia

ELIGIBLE EXPENDITURES

The expenditures associated with:

acquiring, planning, designing, constructing, renewing or rehabilitating a tangible capital asset and any related debt financing charges specifically identified with that asset.



INELIGIBLE EXPENDITURES

Leases

• Leasing of space, equipment or vehicles

Overhead costs

Internal staffing, salaries and administration

Taxes eligible for a tax rebate

HST Rebate portion (ITCs)

Land acquisition

• Purchase of lands, easements, land leases, etc.

Legal fees

Routine repair or maintenance costs

CCBF ELIGIBILITY SCREENING

- NO APPLICATION PROCESS
 Projects are screened for eligibility using preconstruction report
 Reporting submitted after funds are spent
- DMAH DOES NOT APPROVE PROJECTS
 Can help in eligibility review and escalate to federal govt for determination
- MUST BE AN ELIGIBLE PROJECT CATEGORY, APPROVED BY COUNCIL THROUGH CAPITAL BUDGET AND HAVE OUTCOME THAT CAN BE MEASURED

Capital Infrastructure (Tangible Capital Asset) or Capacity Building

> Meet National Objective and Project Outcomes & Council Approved

> > Eligible Project Category

> > > Eligible Project Expenses

CCBF REPORTING REQUIREMENTS



Metro X Transit Buses-Halifax Regional Municipality

Pre-construction Report

Reports on current fiscal year planned projects

Annual Expenditure Reports (AER)

 Reporting of actual CCBF expenditures in a given fiscal

Capital Investment Plans (CIP)

5-year plans showing municipal capital investments

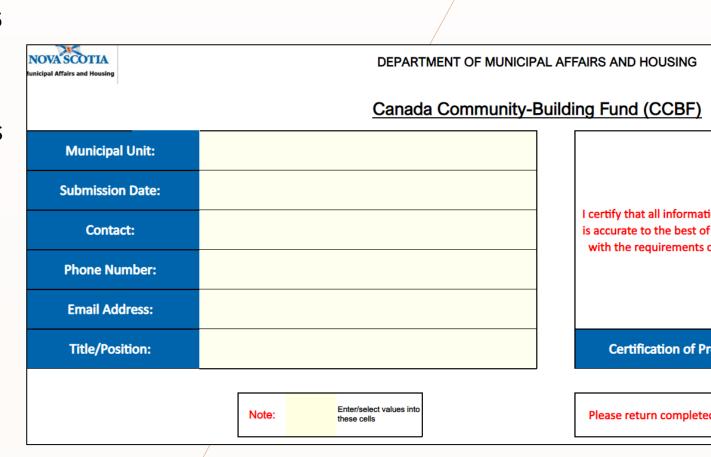
PRE-CONSTRUCTION REPORT

The pre-construction report is essential for confirming project eligibility, tracking required signage, and ensuring compliance with housing reporting requirements.

Pre-construction report due Dec 18 (for 2024-25 period) and June 15 (annually).

Template changes include:

- Pre-construction report will be added to MRS online portal for fiscal 2025-26
- Location tracking by latitude and longitude
- Signage tracking
- New housing pressures schedule (encouraged for all municipalities, required for HRM and CBRM)
- New outputs and outcomes by project category and housing indicators.



PRE-CONSTRUCTION REPORT - HOUSING PRESSURES - ENCOURAGED

Are there any housing pressures that can be linked with infrastructure gaps that can be filled using CCBF?

Housing Needs Assessments For example:

- affordability pressures,
- core housing need,
- lack of specific types of housing,
- limited serviced land for expansion,
- planning policies / zoning bylaws, etc.

Pre-construction Report-Schedule 1:

- Select housing pressures
- Identify key infrastructure-related housing pressured identified in HNA
- Provide source reference
- Identify how the municipality plans to address this housing pressure
- Specify any CCBF funding used to address this pressure (if applicable)

S	ched	ule 1: Housing	Needs Assessment-Housing Pressures and Mitigation Plan	Completion of this Schedule required only for HRM and CBRM. Optional for all other Municipalities.			
	Rank Order	Project Level Reporting Criteria	Key infrastructure-related Housing Pressures (based on needs and pressures identified in HNA) Three (3) minimum required	Reference	How does the municipality plan to address this housing pressure?	Is CCBF being used to address this pressure?	Applicable CCBF Projects
	EX	EXAMPLE Housing pressures identified in HNA	EXAMPLE No transit stops within 500m of X residential community that includes a high proportion of affordable housing	EXAMPLE Section 2.1 (page 40) of the Mun's HNA	EXAMPLE Municipality plans to develop a transit stop plan (including mapping locations) that identifies areas that require a transit stop within 500m of the x residential community that recently added 50 new affordable housing units.	EXAMPLE Yes	EXAMPLE CIP12345, CIP 4556, CIP 45668
	1					Select	
	2					Select	

PRE-CONSTRUCTION REPORT - HOUSING OUTCOMES - ENCOURAGED

	Housing Outcomes							
Project links to nabling new or affordable Housing? (Y/N)	Housing Outcomes: New Housing Units (Select from dropdown)	New Housing Value	Unit Measure	Housing Outcomes: Affordable Housing Units (Select from dropdown)	Affordable Housing Outcomes Value	Unit Measure	State the source and/or method for how number of new housing and/or affordable units have been estimated	Describe how this project meets the outcome of enabling new or affordable Housing
Yes	# of new housing units enabled	120	Units		Y			
Certification	Pre-construction Report	Schedule 1-Housi	ing Pressures	Appendix A-Housing Definitions	s Appendix	B-Indicators		: (

Pre-construction Report – New housing outcome indicators:

- # of new housing units enabled
- # of existing units preserved
- # of affordable housing units enabled or preserved

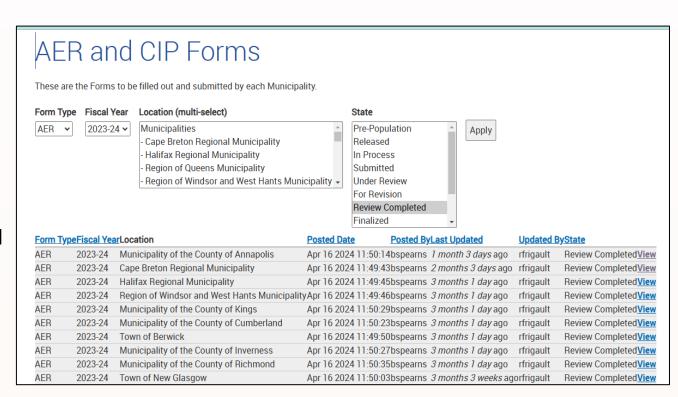
ANNUAL EXPENDITURE REPORT (AER)

The AER is an auditable record of the previous year's projects and actual expenditures in the CCBF program. Documents actual CCBF-funded projects, expenditures, housing outcomes, and other reporting requirements.

AER template will be released May 2025 and due June 15 (annually) in the online Municipal Reporting System (MRS).

Template changes include:

- location tracking by latitude and longitude
 - signage tracking
- new housing pressures schedule (optional for all municipalities except HRM and CBRM)
 - New outputs and outcomes by project category and housing indicators
 - 23/24 AER reserve balance will carry forward. Must use same project number for multi-year projects.



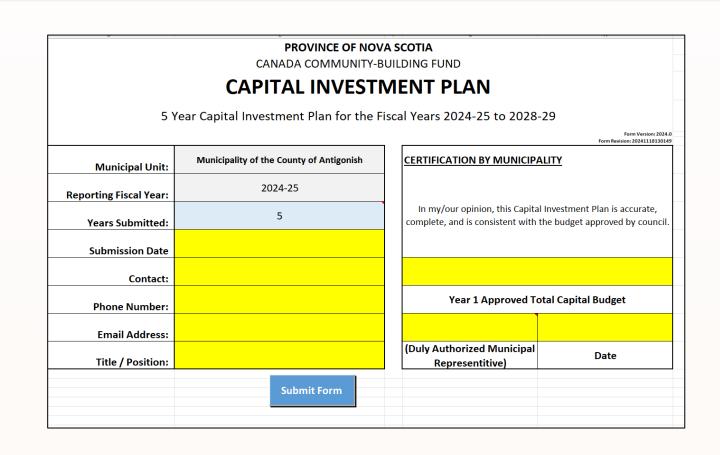
CAPITAL INVESTMENT PLAN

The CIP is a tool to assist Municipalities develop a 5 or 10-year capital plan. It documents anticipated funding sources and estimated project values.

CIP is due Dec 18 (for 2024-25 period) and Sept 1 (annually).

Template changes include:

- Simplified the form and avoid duplication (Removal of Sched 2)
 - Updated funding codes
- Growth vs. Renewal tracking



NS ASSET MANAGEMENT PROGRAM

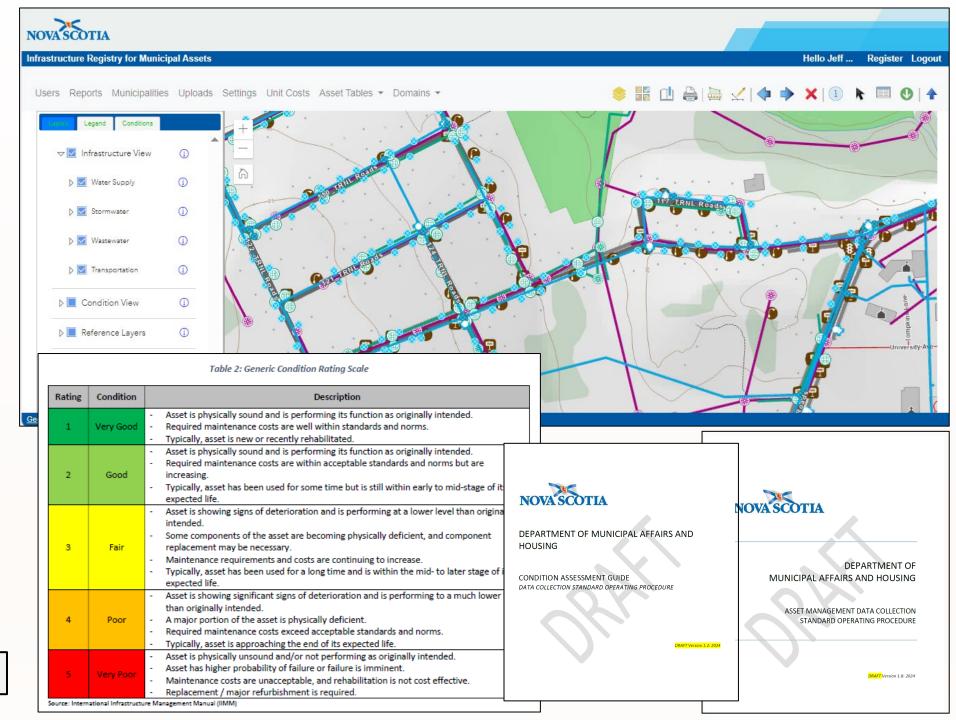
Mission:

- To work with our municipalities towards the advancement of asset management planning in Nova Scotia, by supporting the creation of standardized tools and resources.
- Voluntary (i.e. currently not regulated)

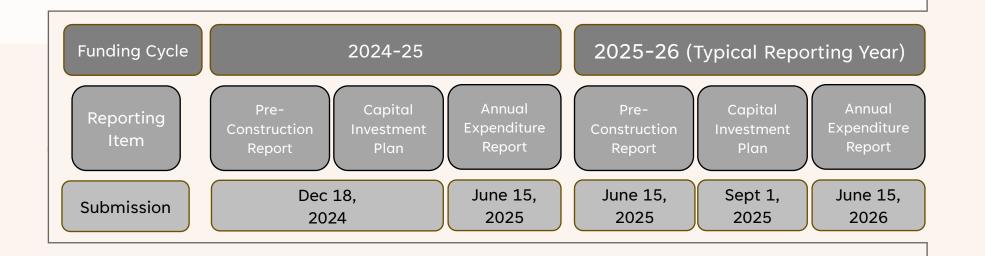
Update:

- IRMA Beta (Infrastructure Registry for Municipal Assets)
- Status of Asset Management Planning in Municipalities - Survey

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KEY REPORTING DEADLINES





North East Point Boardwalk, District of Barrington, NS

Signage Questions: signs-panneaux@infc.gc.ca

COMMUNICATIONS

- Communications Protocol –Schedule E of MFA
- Signage tracking is now incorporated into pre-construction report and AER
- Federal signage templates are listed on H.I.C.C website http://www.infrastructure.gc.ca/pub/sign age-panneaux/intro-eng.html.
- Require 15 days notice for any planned municipal event or announcement and must be approved by federal government

Avondale Boardwalk-Region of Windsor and West Hants Municipality

CCBF DISBURSEMENTS

First 50% CCBF installment released November annually subject to reporting compliance, including:

- AER, Pre-construction Report, CIP & Municipal Finance Reporting
- Final 50% Installment released by March 31 annually subject to completion of compliance audit, review of project list and reporting compliance.
- 2024-25 municipal allocations are available on CCBF website and first installment (50%) will be released in November subject to submitting signed MFA and meeting reporting compliance.

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For more information on CCBF please visit our website

https://beta.novascotia.ca/canada-community-building-fund-municipalities

