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Land Acknowledgement

RDN acknowledges that our physical office is located on amiskwacîwâskahikan $\delta \Gamma^n b \cdot \Gamma \dot{d} \cdot n b^n \Delta b^3$, known as Beaver Hills House or Edmonton, the historical land of Treaty 6 Territory and homeland of Métis Nation of Alberta District 9. We would like to thank our hosts the Nehiyawak (Cree), Saulteaux, Niisitapi (Blackfoot), Métis and Ĩyãhé Nakón (Stoney) whose traditional land in which we live and work. As a national organization, we also acknowledge and respect the histories, languages, and cultures of all First Nations, Métis, Inuit, and all First Peoples of Turtle Island whose presence continues to enrich our vibrant community.

We acknowledge that we are all Treaty People. This means we all have a responsibility to uphold and respect the Treaties signed to affirm our commitment and responsibility to improve relationships between nations and improve our understanding of the vast differences between the many First Nations, Inuit and Métis Peoples across Turtle Island and their own unique cultures. We recognize the land as an act of reconciliation and gratitude to those whose territory we reside.

RDN recognizes the ways in which settler relationships to both the land and the Peoples of this land have been broken and misused, causing and contributing to houselessness among First Nation, Métis and Inuit Peoples. In an ongoing effort to support First Nation, Inuit and Métis communities in addressing housing, houselessness, and service needs, we are committed to working alongside our Indigenous Advisors to work towards decolonizing the administration of funding, houselessness research and advocating to funders for Indigenous self-determination in the housing and social sectors.

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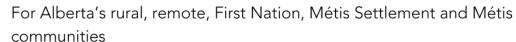
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We share this acknowledgment to reaffirm our responsibility and commitment to reconciliation. We also recognize that this land acknowledgment is just that, an acknowledgment; it is but one step in our journey.

Key Information

- Where to Apply: Reaching Home Call for Proposals 2026-2028 Application
- Application Deadline: December 8, 2025 at 1pm MST
- Total Available Funding: \$4.8 million (2026–2028)
- Maximum Project Funding Request: \$100,000/year (\$200,000 over two years)
- Eligible Project Types: Operational or Capital
- Earliest Project Start Date: April 1, 2026
- Latest Project Completion Date: March 31, 2028
- <u>Eligible Applicants:</u> Communities and organizations operating outside of Alberta's Seven Cities (Edmonton, Calgary, Red Deer, Lethbridge, Grande Prairie, Medicine Hat, Fort McMurray). Rural, remote, First Nation, Métis Settlements and Communities are eligible. Projects on-reserve are eligible.
- Priority: Projects that are Indigenous-led and/or Indigenous-serving
- <u>Eligible Activities:</u> Must serve individuals or families who are experiencing homelessness or at imminent risk of homelessness
- General Information Session Dates: Wednesday November 12, 2025 at 10:00 -11:30am MST, Tuesday December 2, 2025 at 1:00pm - 2:30pm MST
- <u>Indigenous Information Session Dates:</u> Wednesday November 12, 2025 at
 2:30pm 4:00pm MST, Tuesday December 2, 2025 at 10:00am 11:30am MST
- Contact for Any Questions: rhapplications@ruraldevelopment.ca
- <u>Funding Decisions and Notification:</u> Decisions will be made by the Regional Advisory Board (RAB) and successful applicants will be notified in February 2026

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Overview of Reaching Home Call for Proposal

The Government of Canada allocated an additional \$4.8 million in Reaching Home dollars to the Rural Development Network (RDN) to be invested across the 2026-2027 and 2027-2028 fiscal years. The Rural Development Network is the Reaching Home Community Entity for Rural and Remote Alberta. RDN is responsible for administering funding to rural, remote and Indigenous communities in Alberta, including First Nation, Métis Settlement, and Métis communities, to support community efforts in addressing and responding to homelessness.

In the spirit of reconciliation and recognizing that Indigenous peoples across Turtle Island are disproportionately impacted by houselessness, RDN and the Regional Advisory Board (RAB) are committed to prioritizing funding project requests that are Indigenous led and/or Indigenous serving.

At this time, the Rural Development Network is launching a call for proposals to distribute the \$4.8 million in funding. Communities and organizations in need of financial assistance for activities specific to meeting the needs of people experiencing homelessness and those at imminent risk of becoming homeless are eligible to apply. Project activities must be completed and funding must be utilized and spent by March 31, 2028. Projects may be funded up to a maximum of 2 years and may commence as early as April 1st, 2026. Funding decisions will be made by the Regional Advisory Board in early 2026, and successful projects will be notified in February 2026.

Project activities must take place outside of the "Seven Cities" in Alberta (Edmonton, Calgary, Red Deer, Lethbridge, Grande Prairie, Medicine Hat, and Fort McMurray). This funding is specific to communities and organizations supporting folks in rural and remote areas, including First Nations, Métis Settlements, and Métis communities in Alberta. On-reserve projects are also eligible.

Proposed projects must serve or target individuals and/or families who are experiencing homelessness or at imminent risk of homelessness.

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Who is Eligible to Apply?

Eligible Organizations:

- Not-for-profit organizations;
- For-profit organizations;
- Municipalities;
- Public health and educational institutions;
- Provincial and territorial governments and their entities¹; and
- Indigenous organizations²

What Activities Are Eligible?

Eligible Activities and Priorities:

Priority will be given to projects that:

- address a demonstrated need;
- clearly outline capacity to deliver identified project activities;
- demonstrate innovative approaches to ending homelessness and strong partnerships;
- develop responses to Indigenous Houselessness (e.g., culturally appropriate supports);
- develop a coordinated community response to address the spectrum of homelessness such as a task force;
- identify opportunities for integration of services and supports;

¹ including institutions, agencies and Crown Corporations

² Indigenous organizations may include, but are not limited to, incorporated for-profit and not-for-profit Indigenous controlled organizations, Indigenous controlled unincorporated associations, Indian Act Bands, Tribal Councils and Indigenous self-government

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- respond to emergency situations (wildfires, floods) that directly support folks experiencing or at imminent risk of homelessness;
- provide basic need services (e.g. food, transportation, hygiene, clothing) and supplies to support individuals experiencing unsheltered homelessness
- support the operation of shelters/mat programs;
- connect clients to housing placements and supports;
- focus on prevention and shelter diversion services, such as the provision of short-term financial assistance; (e.g. rental arrears, utility payments). Please note, support with mortgage payments is ineligible;
- support clients with housing start-up costs (e.g., damage deposits, furnishings);
- navigate mental health and addiction supports and systems. Please note expenses associated with the provision of counselling services are no longer eligible;
- connect clients to clinical and treatment services, economic integration services (e.g. income assistance, employment, job training, education) and social and community integration services;
- enhance coordination and navigation of services that will shift towards a regional "Coordinated Access" system;
- collect data to support decision-making and a comprehensive understanding of homelessness in a community;
- Capital projects are also eligible. The purchase of land, buildings, vehicles and
 renovations, including the construction or renovation of emergency shelters,
 transitional or permanent supportive housing and non-residential facilities (e.g.
 resource centres) are examples of capital projects that will be considered. Please
 refer to the sustainability checklist and capital project requirements in <u>Capital</u>
 <u>Project Application Guidelines & Sustainability Checklist</u> for detailed
 requirements.

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Examples of Previous Projects:

- Transition beds for people with addictions waiting to get into inpatient treatment
- Funding for community navigators, housing support workers and outreach workers to assist folks experiencing or at risk of homelessness access housing and support services
- Shelter pods purchase and retrofitting of trailers to provide emergency shelter
- Operational costs associated with temporary emergency mat programs/shelters
- Site preparation for Indigenous led transitional housing project
- Renovations of existing units and purchase of modular units for transitional supportive housing
- Land purchased for a new second-stage transitional shelter for women fleeing domestic violence
- Data collection and community action plans

This list is by no means exhaustive.

What Activities Are Not Eligible?

Ineligible Activities:

Reaching Home funding is not eligible to be used for the following items :

- Providing landlords with an incentive or bonus (financial or non-financial) to rent to people exiting homelessness.
- Covering housing set-up costs before other funding sources have been exhausted (i.e., provincial, territorial or municipal social assistance or other programs that cover first and last month's rent or damage deposits must be used first).

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- Rent-to-own programs.
- Providing Short-term Rental Assistance to individuals or families already receiving provincial, territorial or municipal social assistance or rental assistance programs for the same purpose. Please also note, the level of funding provided for Short-term Rental Assistance by the service provider must not exceed the amount of financial assistance available from provincial, territorial or municipal rental assistance programs.
- Providing long-term rental assistance
- Supports for low-income individuals or families who are not at imminent risk of homelessness.
- Down payments and mortgage payments or repairs to privately owned property.
- The creation of a rent bank to provide loans.
- Professional or other fees for clinical, health and treatment services and supports (e.g., nursing support services, medical assessments, and mental health and addictions supports.)
- Job wages for individuals participating in an education, training, or pre-employment program.
- Direct provision of wages to program participants for casual work (e.g., paying a participant or person staying in a shelter to do odd jobs).
- Construction and renovation of housing units not exclusively intended for people experiencing or at imminent risk of homelessness, including those funded through the bilateral Housing Partnership Framework agreement
- Renovation or repairs to private personal property or social housing / community housing that is not solely intended for people experiencing homelessness and paired with wrap-around supports.
- Information gathered or refocused primarily for the purpose of advocacy, public education or awareness. This includes funding for any advocacy, public education or awareness campaign.
- International travel costs.
- Purchase of alcoholic beverages.
- Costs associated with traffic and parking fines and penalties.

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You can find more information about the Reaching Home program directives here: Reaching Home Directives

Please note that all projects that meet the needs of people experiencing homelessness or people at imminent risk of homelessness will be considered for funding. If you are unsure whether your project falls under the priorities identified, we encourage you to contact the Reaching Home team to discuss your idea. Please connect with the Reaching Home team at rhapplications@ruraldevelopment.ca or 780-964-2736 ext. 2.

What are the Reporting Requirements for this Funding?

Reporting:

This is a reimbursement program, which means that the funding is not typically provided upfront, but rather provided once appropriate documentation and back-up (receipts) are submitted. Advances may be requested and considered on a case by case basis.

Organizations will be required to:

- submit monthly or quarterly financial expense claims, receipts and activity reports.
- collect project specific data to be submitted quarterly and annually

We are committed to working with Indigenous projects to discuss flexibilities with regards to reporting requirements to ensure reporting is culturally appropriate and safe.

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How Much Funding can Communities Apply for?

This funding cycle the Regional Advisory Board (RAB) has implemented a maximum amount of funding that projects can apply for. Both operational and capital projects can apply for up to \$100,000/year.

While there is a maximum amount of funding any single project can request, it is important to note that there is no guarantee that all successful projects will receive their full funding request. Due to the volume of funding applications we expect to receive and the RAB's decision to spread the funding across a number of communities, we will be unable to fund all applications and may not be able to approve full budget requests.

We recognize that the maximum funding amounts will not be sufficient for communities to implement all of the desired solutions and responses to address homelessness in their communities. In the application form you will notice we have added an option to provide how much funding your project or community would need to effectively respond to homelessness. This number will have no influence on your application however we will utilize these numbers to advocate for additional funding for rural, remote and Indigenous communities in Alberta.

Communities and organizations are not prohibited from submitting more than one funding application. However, we ask everyone to consider the limited funding that is available for rural, remote and Indigenous communities in Alberta and prioritize funding requests. We encourage collaboration within communities and regionally whenever possible.

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Where can Communities Learn More?

Application Information Sessions:

Four live virtual Q&A Sessions will be taking place on the following dates with RDN's Reaching Home team:

General Application Info Session	Indigenous Application Info Session
Wednesday, November 12, 2025, @ 10:00 -11:30 am MST	Wednesday, November 12, 2025, @ 2:30 - 4:00 pm MST
Tuesday, December 2, 2025 @ 1:00 - 2:30 pm MST	Tuesday, December 2, 2025 @ 10:00 - 11:30 am MST

Please register through Eventbrite in order to receive a Zoom link. Register here:

https://www.eventbrite.com/cc/reaching-home-2026-28-application-info-sessions-4704 363

While we have two sessions specifically for Indigenous communities and organizations, Indigenous applicants are welcome to attend any session. We strongly encourage interested applicants to attend one of the sessions to ask questions and learn more about the application processes, funding priorities, eligible projects/activities and reporting requirements.

If your organization or community previously submitted a Reaching Home application in a previous call-for-proposals and was not successful in receiving funding, we welcome you to reach out to us to discuss your previous application.

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How Do Communities Submit an Application?

Applications must be submitted through the <u>Reaching Home Call for Proposals</u> 2026-2028 online form.

When is the Deadline?

The Reaching Home application and all relevant documents must be submitted no later than December 8th, 2025 at 1:00pm MST. Applications submitted after this deadline will not be considered. Earlier submissions from applicants, however, are strongly encouraged in order to ensure applications are reviewed and decisions are made in a timely manner.

Please don't hesitate to reach out to our organization if you have any questions. The Reaching Home team can be contacted at rhapplications@ruraldevelopment.ca or 780-964-2736 ext. 2. We strongly encourage applicants to register for and attend one of our Q&A sessions. Following the information sessions, our team will develop and share aFAQ document.

Additional Resources

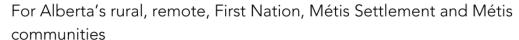
Indigenous Application Guide

Capital Project Application Guidelines & Sustainability Checklist

2026-2028 Reaching Home Budget Template

Reaching Home Budget Example

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APPENDIX A: General and Current Application Questions

We recommend keeping a copy of your answers to all the questions in a separate document before submitting your application on the google form to protect you against any potential computer problems and losing your work before you are able to submit it. Please review and complete the appropriate application type based on your eligibility:

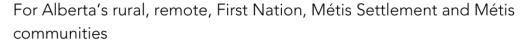
All projects will be required to complete the Project Information Section and the Submission Agreement Section.

General Projects (pg. 15-20): Any projects that are applying for funding for a project that was not funded by Reaching Home in the 2025-2026 fiscal year. This also includes organizations that were funded in 2025-2026 but would like to propose a new project for the 2026-2028 Reaching Home cycle. All capital projects must complete the General Application as well as the Additional Questions for Capital Project sections (pg. 20-23).

<u>Current Reaching Home projects (pg. 23-26):</u> Any project that was funded through Reaching Home in 2025-2026 and plans to continue with their current approved activities. If you are a current Reaching Home project but would like to change the scope of your project you will need to apply through the General Application.

Letter of Intent - Indigenous Organizations and Communities: Any Indigenous Organization or Community looking to apply for Reaching Home funding for the 2026-2028 cycle. Please see the Indigenous Application Guide (pg. 13-17). While Indigenous organizations and communities are welcome to apply through the general projects stream as well, the Letter of Intent stream is also available to them as a way to reduce barriers for these groups and promote our commitment to reconciliation.

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Project Information Section

Regardless of the type of application your project is submitting, <u>all projects</u> will be required to complete this first section of the Google Form application.

Contact Information

<u>Signing Authority:</u> Please provide the information of the signing authority for your organization. This person would be listed on the contract if your project is successful in receiving Reaching Home funding. (i.e. CEO, Executive Director, Board Chair etc.)

<u>Primary Contact:</u> Please provide the information of the person who will be responsible for communications, including application questions and reporting submissions.

<u>Secondary Contact:</u> Please provide the information of a second person who will be responsible for communications, including application questions and reporting submissions.

Signing Authority: Full Name

Signing Authority: Job Title

Signing Authority: Email

Signing Authority: Phone Number

Primary Contact: Full Name

Primary Contact: Job Title

Primary Contact: Email

Primary Contact: Phone Number

Secondary Contact: Full Name

Secondary Contact: Job Title

Secondary Contact: Email

Secondary Contact: Phone Number

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Organization Information
Organization Name
Organization Address
Organization Type
 □ Not-for-profit organizations □ For-profit organizations □ Municipalities □ Public health and educational institutions □ Provincial and territorial governments and their entities □ Indigenous Nation or Organization
Organization Year of Incorporation
Organization Mission/Vision

Application Type

Select the application type you are submitting

- General Application (my organization does not currently receive Reaching Home funding or my organization is applying for a new project through Reaching Home)
- Current Project Application (my organization currently receives Reaching Home funding and would like to request continued funding for the same project)
- Indigenous Application (I am an Indigenous organization/community, or I am applying on behalf of one)

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General Project Application

Organizational Experience:

Please provide clear details on your organization's history and experience in leading similar projects. Specify if your organization has received Reaching Home and/or government funding previously. Max: 300 words

Project Name:

Project Description and Community Need:

Please provide a detailed description of the urgent needs or challenges your organization and/or community is currently facing with people experiencing or at imminent risk of experiencing homelessness. Provide details on how this need has been identified and share any community statistics or data here. Max: 500 words

Project Details

How will the requested funds be used to support and provide services to people experiencing or at imminent risk of experiencing homelessness? Max: 500 words

Where will the project activities take place? If you are servicing multiple communities, please specify. Max: 150 words

Who will your organization partner with and/or engage through this project? Please explain how community partners will work together. Max: 300 words

What are the expected outcomes of the project? Max 300 words

Project Timeline:

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Please provide a detailed timeline of project activities. If you are applying for funding for both 2026-2027 and 2027-2028, please clearly separate project activities across the two fiscal years. Point-form may be used. The earliest start date would be April 1st, 2026 and the latest end date would be March 31, 2028. You may apply for project funding for up to 2 years in length. Max 300 words

Anticipated Start Date
Month, day, year
Anticipated End Date
Month, day, year
Service Population Demographics:
Please select the demographics your project will be supporting
 □ Gender □ People with Mental Disabilities □ People with Addictions □ People who identify as 2SLGBTQI+ □ People with Disabilities □ People fleeing Domestic Violence □ People exiting Public Institutions □ People Experiencing Chronic Homelessness □ People living in encampments □ Indigenous Peoples □ Visible Minorities □ Immigrants □ Refugees/Refugee Claimants □ Veterans

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\Box	Families
	Children (0 - 12)
	Youth (13 - 24)
	Adults (25 - 64)
	Seniors (65+)
	No Specific Target Population
\Box	Other:

Please expand on the demographics your project intends to support. Max: 150 words

Commitment to Reconciliation:

Please describe how your organization embeds reconciliation within your programs and services. What steps are your organization taking to support Indigenous peoples experiencing houselessness and build relationships with communities and Nations? Max: 500 words

Evaluation Strategy:

Please describe how your organization will report on project outcomes, successes, challenges and lessons learned. Please describe briefly how you plan to track the results of your project so you can report accurately on what you achieved. Please note that specific government reporting/tracking will be required for approved projects. Max: 300 words

Funding Request for 2026/2027 (April 1, 2026 - March 31, 2027) *Please note the maximum annual funding amount you can request is \$100,000 for this year*

Funding Request for 2027/2028 (April 1, 2027 - March 31, 2028) *Please note the maximum annual funding amount you can request is \$100,000 for this year*

Total Funding Request (April 1, 2026 - March 31, 2028) *Please note the maximum funding amount you can request over the 2 years is \$200,000*

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Please select which activities you are requesting funding for: (Please see <u>budget</u>	
<u>template</u> for more details if you are unclear which activities are relevant to your project)	
☐ Staff Wages	
☐ Project Costs	
☐ Administrative	
☐ Capital	
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Complete the following spreadsheet and upload the file as an Excel file:

Within the Project Budget excel file, break down your funding requests & tell us how you plan to spend the funds. For more detailed budget guidelines, please refer to the Reaching Home Application Guide and <u>Budget Template</u>.

Ensure you include other sources of funding, including in-kind, in addition to your request for Reaching Home funding. All capital projects must meet additional sustainability requirements. Please note that in addition to the budget template, we have outlined examples of eligible activities in the Reaching Home guide and on a separate tab of the budget titled 'Examples of Eligible Activities.' These examples provided are not exhaustive. Please refer to the Reaching Home Directives for additional examples.

All activities mentioned in your application must be detailed in your budget as separate line items.

Project activities and expenses MUST be completed by March 31, 2028. Please clearly label the year you are applying for funding for on the budget. If you are applying for funding for both 2026-2027 and 2027-2028 please input budget amounts into both columns.

Projects may request a maximum of 15% of total project costs in administrative funds to support project reporting, office supplies etc.

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OPTIONAL: Letters of Support

Please upload any letters of support that your project has here. If you have multiple letters of support, upload them all as a single document in PDF format.

Funding Advocacy:

Assuming there was no maximum funding amount, how much funding would you need to address homelessness in your community annually? Please note this question will not impact your application in any way. Max: 150 words

OPTIONAL: Any other information you would like us to know? Max: 150 words

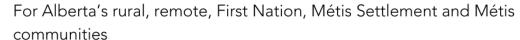
Are you requesting funds for capital expenditures?

Capital expenditures include, for example, the purchasing of land, buildings, vehicles, and minor or major renovations (including the construction or renovation of emergency shelters, transitional or permanent supportive housing, and non-residential facilities). Refer to the Capital Project Additional Guidelines for more details.

If you are requesting funds for capital expenditures, you will be required to complete a Su

stainability Plan in the next section. ☐ Yes ☐ No	you are requesting famous for capital experiences, you will be required to ex
	stainability Plan in the next section.

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Additional Questions for Capital Projects

Capital Projects - Sustainability Plan (NOTE: applicable only to those applying for capital projects)

A sustainability plan is a requirement for all small and large scale capital projects. You must provide information on project funding, impacts, partnerships, and operational costs.

Please complete the following questions to confirm that you have a sustainability plan in place to maintain your capital investments. Refer to the <u>Capital Project Application</u> <u>Guidelines and Sustainability Plan Checklist</u> for more details on capital project requirements, including how projects will be evaluated.

Funding Sources - Part 1

Please outline all total costs of the project and identify all funding sources for the project. Max: 500 words

Funding Sources - Part 2 [OPTIONAL]

LETTERS OF SUPPORT

Please upload the letters of support that confirm your additional funding sources. If you have multiple letters of support, upload them all as a single document in PDF format.

Letters of support may be submitted at a later date. You will be required to present letters of support from all identified funding sources should your project be selected for funding.

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	Confirmation All Other Funding Sources For This Project
	☐ I confirm that all project funding sources have been identified and confirmed/will be confirmed through letters of support
	Project Impacts
	Will your project result in the hiring of additional staff or an increase in services? If so, please indicate funding sources that will support these additional staff and increased services. Max: 300 words
	If your project involves the purchasing of a vehicle, will there need to be additional staff hired to drive the vehicle? Max: 150 words
	If your project involves the construction of a new facility OR renovation of an existing building/facility, will this increase staffing and/or services? Max: 150 words
	If your project provides additional beds/units, will more staff be needed? How many additional beds will be created? How many additional individuals will be supported? Max: 150 words
	Confirmation of Project Impacts
	☐ I confirm that I have clearly indicated the impacts of the project in the above question and have confirmed how these impacts will be addressed through enhanced capacity and/or funding.

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Partnerships - Part 1

Please provide a list of all partners and their roles that are relevant to your project and specifically the delivery of services and/or housing. Reference partnerships that will extend beyond the end date of your Reaching Home project. Max 300 words

Partnership - Part 2 [OPTIONAL]

LETTERS OF SUPPORT

Please upload the letters of support that confirm all project partners (financial and/or in-kind). If you have multiple letters of support, upload them all as a single document in PDF format.

Letters of support may be submitted at a later date. You will be required to present letters of support from all identified project partners should your project be selected for funding.

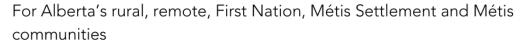
Confirmation All Partners Have Been Identified

☐ I confirm that I have clearly identified all partners and outlined their specific role in the project in the above question.

Operational Costs at the End of the Project - Part 1

Please provide a list of the project's operational costs and ongoing funding sources that will sustain the project for at least 5 years after your project end date. Annual operational costs must be lower than annual income. Please note that fundraising is not considered a sustainable source of income. Max: 500 words

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Operational Costs at the End of the Project - Part 2 [OPTIONAL]

Applicants may submit an Excel spreadsheet or other file that shows a detailed breakdown of annual operation costs and income. While this is not required at the time of submission, this will be requested at a later date should your project be selected for funding.

Confirmation of Operational and Maintenance Funding Sources After Reaching Home Project End
☐ I confirm that this application clearly indicates funding sources for operations and maintenance requirements for the next five (5) years following the Reaching Home project end date.
Confirmation Operational Budget Will Be Balanced After Reaching Home Project End
☐ I confirm that the annual operational budget will be balanced for the next five (5 years following the Reaching Home project end date.

Current Project Application

Project Details

Please provide an update on the urgent needs or challenges your organization and community is currently facing with providing supports to people experiencing or at imminent risk of experiencing homelessness. Max: 500 words

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What outcomes did your project achieve during the previous 2024-2026 funding cycle? Please share data and success stories. Max: 500 words

What challenges did you face with your Reaching Home project if any during the previous 2024-2026 funding cycle? How do you intend to address these challenges in 2026-2028? Please share your learnings with us. Max: 500 words

What went well for your project during 2024-2026 and how do you intend to build on these successes in your upcoming project? Max: 300 words

How will the requested funds continue to be used to support and provide services to people experiencing or at imminent risk of experiencing homelessness? What are the expected outcomes for 2026-2028? Max: 500 words

Who will your organization partner with and/or engage through this project? Please explain how community partners will work together. Max: 300 words

Please confirm where the project activities will take place.

Commitment to Reconciliation:

Please describe how your organization embeds reconciliation within your programs and services. What steps are your organization taking to support Indigenous peoples experiencing houselessness and build relationships with communities and Nations?

Max: 500 words

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Please note the maximum annual funding amount you can request is \$100,000 for this year

Funding Request for 2027/2028 (April 1, 2027 - March 31, 2028)

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Total Funding Request (April 1, 2026 - March 31, 2028)

Please note the maximum funding amount you can request over the 2 years is \$200,000

Please select which activities you are requesting funding for

Staff Wages
Project Costs
Administrative
Capital

Complete the following spreadsheet and upload the file as an Excel file:

Within the Project Budget excel file, break down your funding requests & tell us how you plan to spend the funds. For more detailed budget guidelines, please refer to the Reaching Home Application Guide and <u>Budget Template</u>

Ensure you include other sources of funding, including in-kind, in addition to your request for Reaching Home funding. Please note that in addition to the budget template, we have outlined examples of eligible activities in the Reaching Home guide and on a separate tab of the budget titled 'Examples of Eligible Activities.' These examples provided are not exhaustive. Please refer to the Reaching Home Directives for further examples.

All activities mentioned in your application must be detailed in your budget as separate line items.

Project activities and expenses MUST be completed by March 31, 2028. Please clearly label the year you are applying for funding for on the budget. If you are applying for funding for both 2026-2027 and 2027-2028 please input budget amounts into both columns.

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Projects may request a maximum of 15% of total project costs in administrative funds to support project reporting, office supplies etc.

OPTIONAL: Letters of Support

Please upload any letters of support that your project has here. If you have multiple letters of support, upload them all as a single document in PDF format.

Funding Advocacy: (OPTIONAL)

Assuming there was no maximum funding amount, how much funding would you need to address homelessness in your community annually? Please note this question will not impact your application in any way. Max: 150 words

Submission Agreement

receive Reaching Home funding.

Note: All projects will be asked to complete this section
Confirmation Signing Authority Approves Submission
I confirm that the submission of this application has been approved by the appropriate signing authority in my organization.
Confirmation Not All Projects Will Receive Funding
I understand that due to limited funding, not all organizations will be able to

Electronic Signature

Typing your name below signifies that you are completing this form using an electronic signature. By signing electronically, you are certifying that you are the appropriate signing authority for your organization.

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