

Calgary



COVID-19 Community Affordable Housing Advocacy
Plan update & Rapid Housing Initiative
Intergovernmental Affairs Committee
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COVID-19 & Affordable Housing Need

- Affordable housing is a priority for Calgarians
- Calgarians in severe affordable housing need
 - 42,000 households at risk of becoming homeless – spending >50% on shelter costs
 - 1 in 5 Calgary households struggling with shelter costs
- COVID-19 Community Affordable Housing Advocacy Plan
 - Engaged 40 housing sector stakeholders
 - Seeks Federal & Provincial funding to create 5,400 units in 3 years
 - Supports economic recovery & vulnerable populations
 - Scale-up the non-profit sector through acquisition of surplus stock



COVID-19 Community Affordable Housing Advocacy Plan

Streams are interdependent & concurrent:

STREAM 1:

Rapidly secure SUPPORTIVE HOUSING for up to 600 Calgarians exiting homelessness, helping people remain safely housed before additional COVID-19 waves.

STREAM 2:

BUILD, ACQUIRE & PARTNER to stimulate the economy & strengthen affordable housing sector.

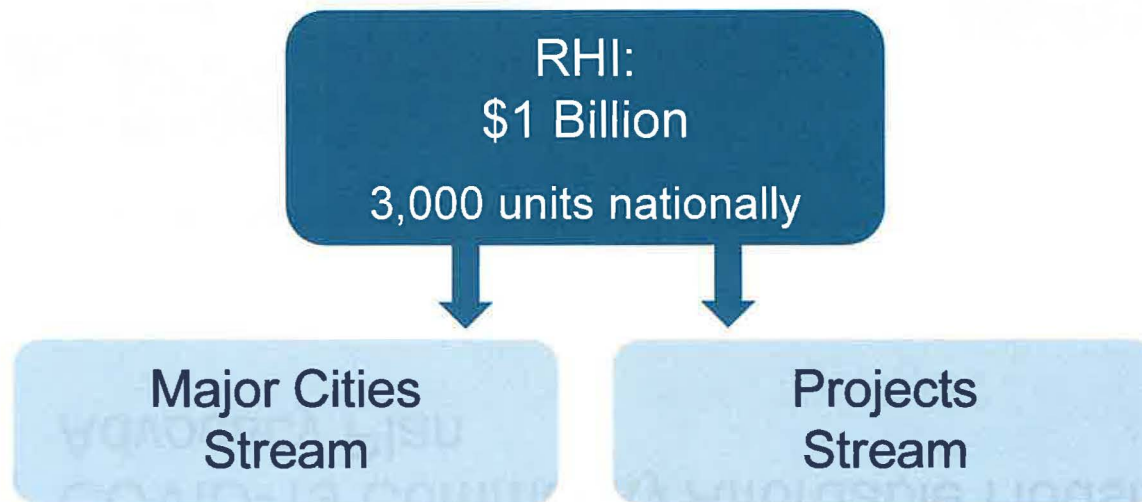
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**Nearly
12,000*
Calgarians
are home.**

*Includes new units, rent supplements. 2.2 people per household.

Rapid Housing Initiative (RHI)

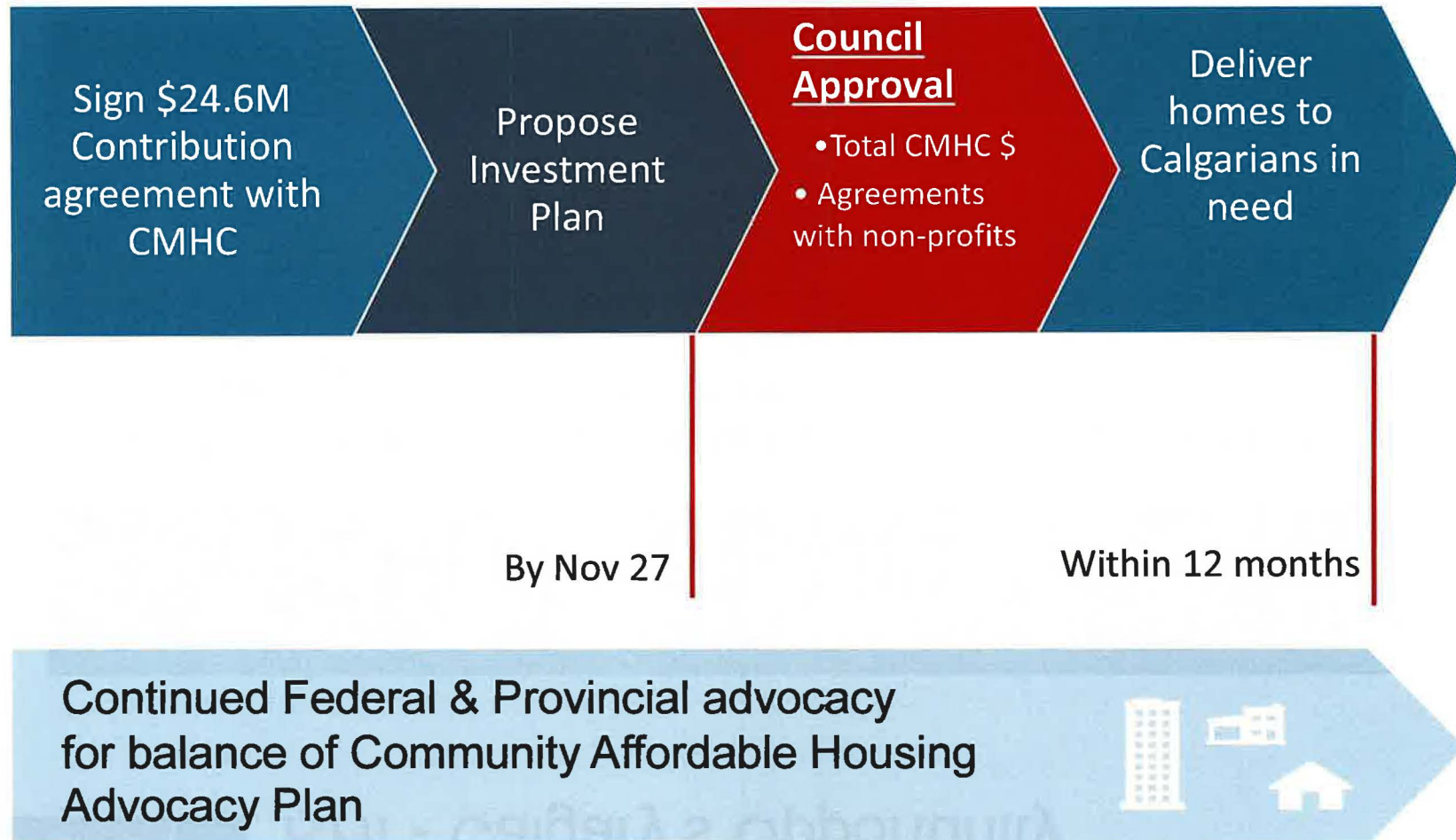
- \$1 billion in capital grants
- Target: Vulnerable people in severe housing need
- Long-term, permanent affordable housing through:
 - Modular multi-unit construction
 - Acquisition & conversion of non-residential (i.e. hotel, office)
 - Reclamation of closed buildings in need of rehabilitation



RHI - Calgary's Opportunity

| CALGARY'S RHI INVESTMENT PLAN | | |
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| Major Cities Stream: Calgary | Major Cities Stream: Other municipalities | Projects Stream |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 116 units • Amount: \$24.6M | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Plus potential for unallocated amounts from other cities • Amount: \$TBD | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dependent on non-profit capacity & City support • Amount: \$TBD |
| TOTAL OPPORTUNITY: \$TBD | | |

RHI - Next Steps





Recommendation

- Administration recommends that Intergovernmental Affairs Committee receive this report for information.