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Minister of Finance | Ministre des Finances PETER BETHLENFALVY

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Dear Head of Council:

I am writing to provide details on the 2024 Ontario Municipal Partnership Fund (OMPF).

During this heightened period of economic uncertainty, municipalities need predictability during their annual budget planning. To help provide that predictability, Ontario is announcing the 2024 OMPF allocations now and maintaining the overall structure of the \$500 million program.

The program will continue to be responsive to changing circumstances of individual municipalities through annual data updates and related adjustments. As in prior years, transitional assistance will ensure that in 2024 municipalities in northern Ontario receive at least 90 per cent of their 2023 OMPF allocation while municipalities in southern Ontario receive at least 85 per cent.

Maintaining a close relationship with our municipal partners remains critical as we continue to work together to build a Strong Ontario. That is why our government has continued to increase support for municipalities through the doubling of the Ontario Community Infrastructure Fund (OCIF) and the introduction of the Northern Ontario Resource Development Support (NORDS). We also recently introduced the Building Faster Fund, which will provide up to \$1.2 billion over three years for municipalities that meet or exceed their housing targets, with a portion allocated to small, rural and northern communities to address their unique needs. Our government also announced that we will restore provincial annual base funding for public health units starting in 2024.

The Ministry of Finance's Provincial-Local Finance Division will be providing your municipal treasurers and clerk-treasurers with further details on your 2024 OMPF allocation. Supporting materials are also available on the ministry's web site at ontario.ca/document/2024-ontario-municipal-partnership-fund.

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I look forward to our continued collaboration as we move forward with building a strong future for our province.

Sincerely,

Original signed by

Peter Bethlenfalvy Minister of Finance

c. c. The Honourable Paul Calandra, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing