



POLICY UPDATE

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AMO Policy Update – OMPF Allocations and LTC Development Call

2022 OMPF Allocations Announced

The Ministry of Finance has issued allocation notices for the 2022 Ontario Municipal Partnership Fund (OMPF). As previously announced at the AMO Conference in August, the total funding envelope will remain at \$500 million. These dollars are distributed to 389 municipal governments across the province and provide unconditional operating support for local frontline services. This early announcement of the 2022 OMPF allocations is much appreciated.

For 2022, a further \$2 million is being targeting to rural farming municipalities through an enhancement to the Rural Communities Grant. This will provide up to an additional \$5 per household to municipalities with the highest levels of farmland.

Letters to Heads of Council and Treasurers have been sent at this time and the allocation notices may also be viewed on the Ministry's [website](#). The Ontario Municipal Partnership Fund (OMPF) provides unconditional operating support from the province to municipal governments. It uses an equalization approach to address fiscal challenges in rural and northern communities, with funding based on various community fiscal health indicators.

Historical OMPF Allocations (in millions of \$):

Component	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
Assessment Equalization Grant	149	149	149	149	149	149	149	149
Northern Communities Grant	79	84	84	89	89	89	89	89
Rural Communities Grant	138	143	148	150	150	150	152	154
Northern and Rural Fiscal Circumstances Grant	55	67	82	89	89	89	92	93
Transitional and Stabilization Grants (incl. Northern & Rural Social Program)	94	61	41	33	28	23	18	16
TOTAL OMPF	515	505	505	510	505	500	500	500*
*Numbers may not add up due to rounding.								

Call for Long-Term Care Development Proposals

The provincial government has opened a new call for applications to develop long-term care homes as part of the commitment to deliver 30,000 net new beds over 10 years. Everyone interested in building and redeveloping long-term care homes is invited to apply, including existing non-profit, for-profit and municipal long-term care operators, as well as organizations new to the long-term care sector.

Applicants are encouraged to submit their application as soon as possible, as they will be evaluated in the order in which they are received. Successful applicants will be announced in early 2022. More information is available at

<http://ontario.ca/developingltc>.

AMO's [COVID-19 Resources](#) page is being updated continually so you can find critical information in one place. Please send any of your municipally related pandemic questions to covid19@amo.on.ca.

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