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Your Worship  
Mayor Fred Eisenberger  
City of Hamilton  
71 Main Street West, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor  
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Dear Mayor Eisenberger:

Premier Kathleen Wynne has asked me to respond to your letter regarding the City of Hamilton's funding allocation under the Community Homelessness Prevention Initiative (CHPI).

CHPI aims to improve access to adequate, suitable and affordable housing and homelessness services. It does so by giving Service Managers greater flexibility to design programs based on local needs and priorities. CHPI supports a transition towards a system that is focused on more proactive and permanent solutions to addressing homelessness.

The total CHPI investment for 2016-17 is almost \$294 million. Service Managers were notified of their 2016-17 CHPI funding allocations in 2015 and many of them have already begun planning for the use of these funds in their communities. As well, I am pleased to report that the government is increasing funding for the CHPI by \$45 million over three years.

At this time, the province is maintaining the current CHPI funding allocation model for the 2016-17 fiscal year. As such, the City of Hamilton will be receiving an allocation of \$19,073,700. The Ministry may consider changes to the CHPI funding allocation model for future years, which would consider the needs of Service Manager communities across the province.

Once again, thank you for bringing your concerns to the attention of the government. Please accept my best wishes.

Best Regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Ted McMeekin'.

Ted McMeekin  
Minister

c: The Honourable Kathleen Wynne  
Premier