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Mayor Fred Eisenberger
City of Hamilton
Hamilton City Hall
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Dear Mayor Fred Eisenberger:

As you know, the Community Homelessness Prevention Initiative (CHPI) provides Service Managers with the flexibility to develop local programs and solutions to address the homelessness needs in their communities across Ontario. In 2015-16, CHPI funding assisted approximately 39,600 households experiencing homelessness obtain housing, and helped approximately 115,600 households at-risk of homelessness remain in their homes.

The government's update to the Long-Term Affordable Housing Strategy supports Ontario's transformation towards a better housing system. As announced in the 2016 Ontario Budget, the government is making a series of investments that will continue its transformation of the housing system.

As part of these investments, the province is providing \$632 million in CHPI funding to Service Managers over the next two fiscal years. This funding will be allocated to Service Managers based on a revised CHPI funding allocation approach. The changes in the new allocations result from the use of evidence-based indicators that reflect the province's homelessness priorities of chronic homelessness, and homelessness experienced by youth and Indigenous peoples in Ontario. Under the revised approach, a portion of the funding will be allocated based on the original funding allocation method. The \$42 million which was added to the CHPI program permanently in 2014-15 and the additional funding announced in the 2016 Ontario Budget will be allocated using new homelessness indicators to reflect the provincial priorities.

Based on the revised CHPI funding approach, I am pleased to inform you that the CHPI allocation for the City of Hamilton is expected to be:

2017-18 Allocation	2018-19 Allocation
\$19,264,437	\$19,455,174

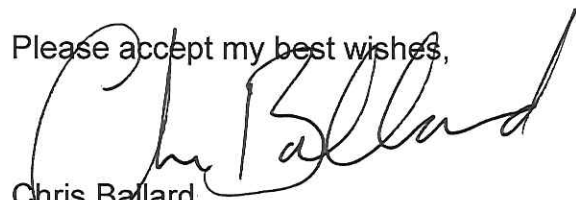
Please note that your CHPI funding allocations are contingent on provincial budget approvals. You will be notified if there are any changes to your CHPI allocations once we receive the respective approved provincial budget for each year.

If you have any questions about your funding allocation or require additional information, please contact: Tony Brutto, Team Lead, Regional Housing Services, MSO-Western.

A subsequent letter will be sent to your senior staff to provide the administrative details concerning your funding.

Thank you for your ongoing efforts to reduce and eliminate homelessness in Ontario.

Please accept my best wishes,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Chris Ballard". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large initial "C" and "B".

Chris Ballard
Minister of Housing

cc. Mr. Ted McMeekin, MPP
Ms. Andrea Horwath, MPP
Mr. Paul Miller, MPP
Ms. Monique Taylor, MPP