

Innovation and Research Programs

Under the National Housing Strategy

2019 update for CHRA





Areas of Focus under the Strategy

Create New Housing

Modernize Existing Housing

Resources for Community Housing Providers

Innovation and Research

Funding and financing opportunities to build new affordable housing.

Funding and financing opportunities to renew and renovate the existing affordable housing stock.

Technical assistance, tools and funding opportunities to increase capacity and support the community housing sector.

Funding opportunities to promote excellence and innovation in the housing research and data sector.



National Housing Strategy Priority Areas





Housing for those in Greatest Need

Community
Housing
Sustainability

Indigenous Housing

Northern Housing Sustainable Housing & Communities

Balanced Supply of Housing





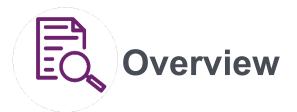




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Innovation and Research Solutions Labs



Solutions Labs fund housing stakeholders to rapidly incubate and scale potential solutions to housing issues that would otherwise not be achieved through previous approaches.

Contribute to NHS objectives and priorities through increased awareness, capacity building and replication of solutions.

Foster a culture of innovation.



Innovation and Research Solutions Labs



Funding will focus on:

- Resolving persistent affordable housing problems (barriers)
- Gathering a wide range of stakeholders including lived experience
- Require inclusion of Solution (Social Innovation) Lab expertise
- Apply social innovation lab tools and methods
- Target the rapid creation of solutions such as technologies, policies, programs, or standards.



Innovation and Research Solutions Labs



Funding

Annual budget of **\$3 million** (\$500,000 in 2018-2019).

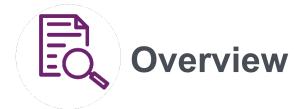
\$25,000 – \$250,000 per lab.

Next round of funding begins May 2019.





Innovation and Research NHS Demonstrations Initiative



Platform to showcase innovative technologies, practices, programs, policies, services and strategies.

Improve performance, viability and effectiveness of affordable housing projects.



Innovation and Research NHS Demonstrations Initiative

Funding will focus on:

- Showcasing innovative solutions (technologies, practices, programs, policies, services and strategies) to accelerate their uptake and replication by the affordable housing sector.
- Improve performance, viability and effectiveness of affordable housing projects that answer the needs of the vulnerable population groups targeted by the NHS.



Innovation and Research NHS Demonstrations Initiative



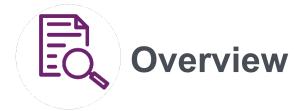
\$1.5 million (\$500,000 in 2018-2019).

\$25,000 – \$250,000 per project.

Next round of funding begins April 2019.



Innovation and Research CMHC Housing Research Awards Program



Monetary awards to recognize, promote and expand impactful housing research.

Travel award to support researcher activities in Northern or remote areas.



Innovation and Research CMHC Housing Research Awards Program

Annual awards



\$20,000 for CMHC President's Medal for Outstanding Housing Research



\$10,000 for the Gold Roof Award for Housing Research Excellence



\$10,000 for the Gold Roof Award for Knowledge to Action

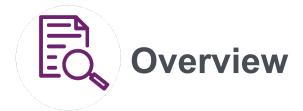


\$10,000 for the CMHC North Star Award for Northern or Remote Research 2 or more awards of up to \$5,000 each

Next round of funding begins April 2019.



Innovation and Research NHS Research and Planning Fund



Supports not-for-profit NGO housing stakeholders and charities, and indigenous governments and organizations for housing related research.

Supports research capacity development.

Promotes interest and involvement in housing research outside of government.

For 2019, the application deadline is TBD.



Innovation and Research NHS Research and Planning Fund



Funding

\$750,000 in 2019-2020 to cover **3 streams** of activity (to be used within 2 years of release):

1

Program of Research Support – up to \$250,000

2

Research Project
Support – up to
\$100,000 for
individual project

3

Planning Activity
Support – up to
\$50,000

In all cases, applicants must provide a minimum 25% of the total amount requested (cash and/or in-kind contributions).



Innovation and Research NHS Research and Planning Fund



Requirements

- Active not-for-profit housing-related NGO or charity in Canada
- Confirmed partner contribution
- Request has potential for broad impact
- Request promotes value of housing needs and research
- Consistent with strategic direction outlined in NHS

The same applicant can only apply once per competition, and support cannot be given in two sequential years for the same project, event or identical activity.



Innovation and Research Expert Community on Housing (ECOH)

- Share housing knowledge and contribute to the development of housing solutions
- Engage with Canadian and international housing experts from across the housing spectrum:
 - ✓ Government
 - ✓ Academia
 - ✓ Associations
 - ✓ Private sector
 - ✓ Persons with lived experience



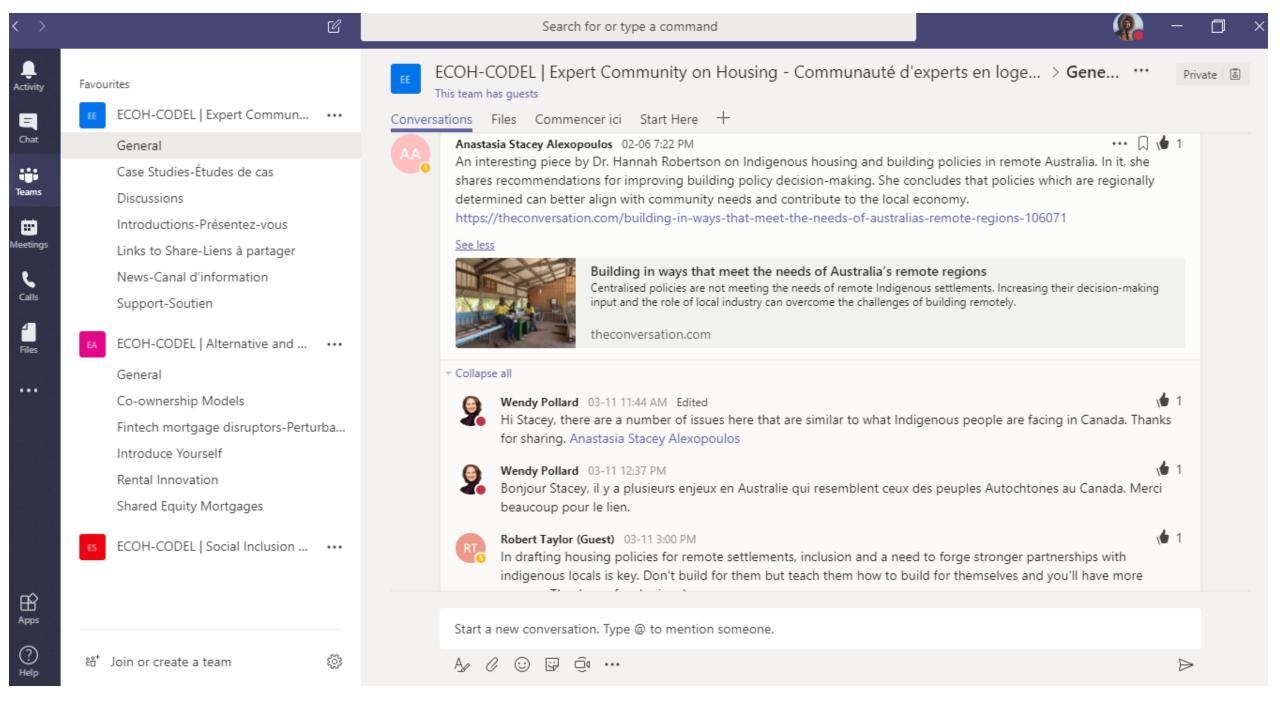














Highlight of Applications

for the 2018-19 Fiscal Year

Program	Applications received	Applications funded
Demonstrations	36	9
Solutions Labs	90	11
Research and Planning fund	55	12

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Highlight of Applications for the 2018–19 Fiscal Year



Majority of applications targeted multiple or all priority areas and multiple or all populations.

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My Home, My Community: Inclusive Housing Options National Demonstration Initiative



Proponent:

Canadian Association for Community Living

Collaborators:

- Institutes for Research and Development on Inclusion and Society
- People First of Canada
- Brockville and District Association for Community Involvement
- Semiahmoo House Society
- Community Living Toronto



Modular Construction for Sustainable and Affordable Community Housing

Proponent:

RDH Building Science Inc.

Collaborators:

- Metric Modular
- BC Housing



Photo by BC Housing



Innovation and Research

What do you want to do?	Look at this program
Seeking an innovative solution to a complex problem	Solutions Lab
Sharing innovative solutions for impactful NHS results	Demonstrations Initiative
Willing to engage and collaborate on key affordable housing issues	Expert Community on Housing (ECoH)
Building the next generation of researchers in housing	CMHC Housing Research Scholarship Program
Exploring research to solve NHS challenges	Collaborative Housing Research Networks (CHRN)
Performing world-class research	Housing Research Awards

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Next Steps

Program	When	What
Housing Research Awards	April	Call for applications
Demonstrations Initiative	Mid-April	Call for proposals
Solutions Labs	May	Call for proposals
Research and Planning Fund	April/June (tbc)	Call for proposals
Housing Research Scholarship Program	July to August	Call for proposals (each Tri-Agency launching on their own timeline)
Collaborative Housing Research Network	2020	Announcements of selected nodes and hubs

NOTE: Funding amounts have increased this year.



Resources

For questions or more information





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