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DNSSAB Receives \$4.2M in SSRF-Phase 2 Funding

North Bay, ON – The District of Nipissing Social Services Administration Board has been approved to receive \$4,225,615.00 following the successful submission of a business case to the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing. This funding will be used address the priorities of a low barrier shelter and transitional housing for the homeless.

Priorities for the business case submission were premised upon identified community priorities for vulnerable populations deemed critical for mitigating the risk of the COVID pandemic, discussions with the Community Advisory Board (CAB) – Nipissing District Housing and Homelessness Partnership and associated sub-committees, as well as the District's 10-Year Housing and Homelessness Plan. The business case focuses on the following priorities:

- The continued operations of the low-barrier shelter, warming centre and isolation space to March 31, 2021. The plan includes recovering costs incurred as of July 7th as well as recovering capital costs for the creation of the low barrier shelter at the Chippewa location.
- Increasing the stock of transitional housing by 20 new modular designed units.

“The DNSSAB is extremely pleased with the provincial allocation for Nipissing and that the business case prepared by the DNSSAB has been approved,” says District of Nipissing Social Services Administration Board (DNSSAB) Chair, Mark King, “This is a critical time for the homeless and the community as a whole.”

Chair King also expressed appreciation to all the front line staff and community agencies and organizations that provide services to the vulnerable.

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