# Investment in Affordable Housing 2011-2014 Annual Public Reporting on Outcomes 2013-2014

## Background:

On December 20, 2011, the Governments of Canada and the Northwest Territories announced a combined investment of \$11 million under a new affordable housing agreement over three years. The Investment in Affordable Housing for 2011-2014 provides provinces and territories with more flexibility in determining local needs and priorities and in designing and delivering programs.

This agreement provides the NWT with \$1,840,000 provided by the federal government through the Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation (CMHC) in each of the three years. It is matched by the NWT, through the Northwest Territories Housing Corporation (NWTHC) for a total annual budget of \$3,680,000.

### Goals:

The NWTHC's primary goals under the Investment in Affordable Housing are to improve and preserve the quality of affordable housing and to support vulnerable households in accessing safe and affordable housing. These goals reflect the larger objective of the agreement in improving access to affordable, sound, suitable, and sustainable housing for households in need.

### **Outcomes and Indicators:**

For the year 2013-2014, the NWTHC identified 33 projects for funding under the agreement. These projects were comprised of 32 private housing units across the NWT that were in need of major repairs, and the construction of a transitional shelter in Yellowknife.

### **CARE Projects:**

The funding provided through this Agreement helped fund 32 projects under the Contributing Assistance for Repairs and Enhancements (CARE) program. Private household repairs and renovations were completed in 17 communities across the NWT. These projects cost between \$26,806 and \$88,700 per unit and were utilized to improve the quality of housing in our communities. In addition, 10 of the 32 homes also incorporated energy upgrades to help reduce the cost of living for these northern families.

# **Shelter Project:**

As part of the Investment in Affordable Housing for 2013-2014, the NWTHC and CMHC also provided funding assistance of \$500,000 for the construction of the Lynn Brooks' Safe Place for Women transitional shelter in Yellowknife, formerly known as Betty House. These transitional shelter units are now available for women and women with children in need of safe and affordable housing.

# 2013-2014 Summary:

Distribution	Project Costs (\$)	Units		
Yellowknife	621,224	21		
Regional	601,056	11		
Centres				
Rest of	987,684	18		
Communities				
Administration	135,637			
Total	2,345,601	50		

Singles	Seniors	Disabled	VOFV* Support	Energy Upgrades
8	3	3	18	1
-	10	4	-	3
-	18	3	-	6
8	31	10	18	10

NWTHC: \$505,601 CMHC: \$1,840,000 Total: \$2,345,601

## 2011-2014 Summary:

Distribution	Project	Units	Singles	Seniors	Disabled	VOFV*	Energy
	Costs (\$)					Support	Upgrades
Yellowknife	1,366,236	74	14	7	5	50	16
Regional Centres	3,366,399	86	25	34	8	8	50
Rest of Communities	5,787,929	150	37	67	12	1	85
Administration	519,436						
Total	11,040,000	310	76	108	25	58	151

NWTHC: \$5,520,000 CMHC: \$5,520,000 Total: \$11,040,000

<sup>\*</sup> Victims of Family Violence