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## Memorandum

**COM-C 5-2024**

**Subject:** Urgent Service Manager Notification – Niagara  
**Date:** April 9, 2024  
**To:** PHSSC  
**From:** Cameron Banach

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Attached is correspondence from the Province of Ontario regarding Federal Housing Grants (Appendix 1), and a potential reduction in funding of \$355 million to the province, and then by agreement, to programs administered by municipal service managers. Additionally, correspondence from the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO) (Appendix 2), is also included, as AMO reports on its efforts to communicate significant concern about any potential loss of funding.

The potential reductions noted in this correspondence are related to the 2024/2025 funding under Ontario Housing Priorities Initiative (OHPI), Canada Ontario Housing Initiative (COCHI), and Canada Ontario Housing Benefit (COHB). Municipal staff have been asked to share the potential impacts of this funding loss with the provincial government, and have been advised that meetings are ongoing between the province and the federal government.

Once the final decisions are made related to this program, and the implications of those decisions are understood for Niagara, staff will provide information to committee and council.

Respectfully submitted and signed by

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Appendix 1 – Urgent Service Manager Notification - Niagara

Appendix 2 – GC HIC LTR AP National Housing Strategy Funding 2024-03-26 FINAL