

# HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

## The Rooming House Assistance Program

The Rooming House Assistance Program is a new program that provides financial assistance to owners of rooming houses in Manitoba to repair or rehabilitate their property up to a minimum level of safety.

Eligible projects must be substandard or deficient and require repair or be lacking in basic facilities (structure, health, fire and/or life safety), be at least five years old and have at least four bed units with the rents set at or below the applicable Program Rental Limit. The building may be located anywhere in Manitoba, with the exception of recognized or designated First Nation communities.

Applicants who are selected to receive financial assistance will be required to enter into an Operating Agreement for the 10-year term of the forgivable loan. The maximum program funding per eligible bed unit is \$25,000 in Southern Manitoba and \$29,000 in Northern Manitoba. The Rooming House Assistance Program is provided with financial assistance support from the Government of Canada.

### **Additional Information:**

Costs incurred prior to the loan approval are not eligible for financial assistance.

The landlord will be responsible for repair costs to any commercial or non-residential areas of the building, and repairs to ineligible units. Mandatory repair costs that exceed the financial assistance available, must be financed by the owner through other sources.

### **How do I apply for RHAP?**

Manitoba Housing releases a call for applications for Rooming House Assistance Program annually. To request information contact Manitoba Housing at:

Telephone: 204-945-5566 Toll-free 1-866-689-5566

Mail: 200-352 Donald Street, Winnipeg MB R3B 2H8

Email: [housing@gov.mb.ca](mailto:housing@gov.mb.ca)

To learn more about the Rooming House Assistance Program please visit our website at:

<http://www.gov.mb.ca/housing/mh/progs/repair.html>