



# CREATING NEW OFF-RESERVE ABORIGINAL HOUSING



**A Housing Forum taking place in Sudbury**

**Wednesday September 9, 2009**

**8:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.**





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### Partnership

Ontario Aboriginal Housing Services (OAHS) and Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation (CMHC) are hosting a one-day Housing Development Information Forum for Aboriginal organizations to help stimulate the development of more Off-Reserve Aboriginal affordable housing in Ontario.

### About OAHS and FIMUR

The aim of OAHS is to provide affordable and adequate housing services to urban and rural Aboriginal people in Ontario requiring assistance adequate to their needs at a cost within their means.

OAHS is currently administering the \$60 million First Nation, Inuit, Métis Urban & Rural (FIMUR) Housing Program. Of that total, approximately \$51 million is targeted for the development of Off-Reserve rental housing for Aboriginal individuals or families with low- to moderate-income, or those in core housing need.

**Note:** The “Off-Reserve Aboriginal Housing Trust Provincial Engagement Report” should be reviewed prior to attending the forum. The report can be found at one of the following links:

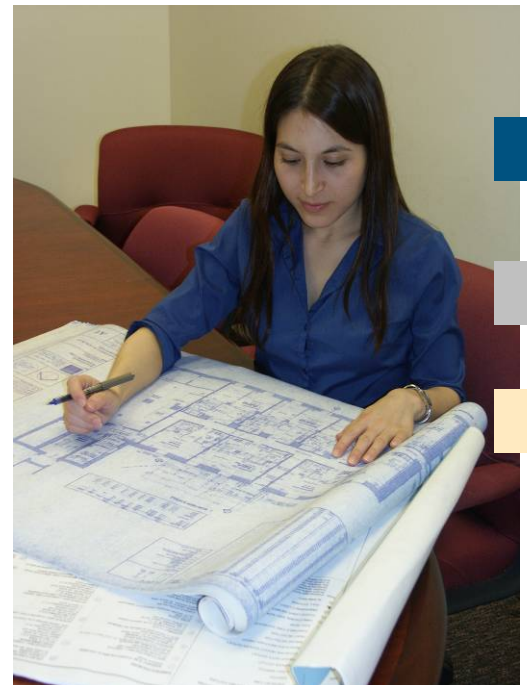
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### About CMHC's Affordable Housing Centre

CMHC's Affordable Housing Centre has a team of experts dedicated to helping people create and preserve affordable housing. We offer advice, financial assistance and no interest loans to encourage the development of rental and homeownership affordable housing projects.



## Program

8:30 – 9:00	Continental Breakfast and Networking
9:00 – 9:30	<p><b>Opening and Welcome</b>            Opening “Honouring the Spirit”            Welcome – <b>Don McBain, Executive Director, Ontario Aboriginal Housing Services</b>            Agenda for the Day – <b>Justin Marchand, New Program Manager, Ontario Aboriginal Housing Services</b></p>
9:30 - 10:30	<p><b>Community Development</b>  <b>Don McBain, Executive Director, Ontario Aboriginal Housing Services</b>            How can capacity be increased in under-served, high need areas of the province? What partnerships can be developed with other organizations to facilitate capacity building that results in deliverables? What innovative methods can be used to control project planning and development costs? Also, an update on the First Nations, Inuit, Métis Urban and Rural (FIMUR) Housing Program will also be provided.</p>
10:30 – 11:00	Break
11:00 – 12:00	<p><b>Housing Development 101: Getting Started</b>  <b>Donna Mayer, Senior Advisor, CMHC Affordable Housing Centre</b>            What are the key milestones and activities in housing development? What are the roles of the Board of Directors, development team, consultant, architect and builder? Where are the tools and resources to get you started? This introduction to housing development will provide a road map to affordable housing development.</p>
12:00 – 1:00	LUNCH
1:00 – 2:00	<p><b>Art Zoccole Aboriginal Patients’ Lodge: A Non-profit Developer’s Perspective</b>  <b>Patrick Stewart, Owner, Patrick Stewart Architect</b>            The Aboriginal Patients’ Lodge in Vancouver provides culturally sensitive long-term accommodations and support for Aboriginal patients and their families who go to the city for medical treatment. Patrick Stewart, the renowned Nisga’a architect, designed the 22 unit building to incorporate contemporary features while reflecting Aboriginal culture and traditions. He will share the story of bringing this award-winning project to life.</p>
2:00 – 2:30	Break
2:30 – 3:30	<p><b>The Lennox Island First Nation Home – a Model of Sustainability</b>  <b>Gary Sapier, Construction Supervisor, Lennox Island First Nation</b>            Lennox Island First Nation on Prince Edward Island wanted to build on the success of their first energy efficient house by raising the bar on sustainability and introducing flexibility to adapt the house easily over time to accommodate the occupants’ changing needs. The result was an award-winning house that consumes less than 50 per cent of the energy required to heat a conventional home and offers exception indoor air-quality and comfort for the people who live there.</p>
3:30 – 4:00	<p><b>Closing Remarks</b>  <b>Don McBain, Executive Director, Ontario Aboriginal Housing Services</b>            Closing Prayer</p>



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<p><b>Register Now</b></p>	<p><b>Inquiries</b></p>
<p>Registration is limited! Please reply as soon as possible!</p> <p>There is no cost to register. Deadline to register is September 4, 2009.</p>	<p>Please contact:</p> <p>Kelly Reynolds, Ontario Aboriginal Housing Services kreynolds@oahssc.ca Fax: (705) 256-2671</p>

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**Please complete a registration form for each attendee for the **Sudbury Forum** and return to Ontario Aboriginal Housing Services, Kelly Reynolds by fax (705) 256-2671 or email kreynolds@oahssc.ca by September 4, 2009.**

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