



HOUSE OF COMMONS  
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March 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2021

**The Right Honourable Justin Trudeau**  
**Prime Minister of Canada**

**The Honourable Chrystia Freeland**  
**Minister of Finance**

**The Honourable Minister Ahmed Hussen**  
**Minister of Families, Children and Social Development**

**House of Commons Ottawa,**  
**Ontario Canada**  
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**Re: the importance of increasing the rapid housing fund**

Dear Prime Minister, Deputy Minister Freeland, and Minister Hussen,

I am thankful for the Rapid Housing Initiative to create housing for vulnerable Canadians. The speed with which the program was announced, created, and administered was impressive. I thank you, your staff, and public service workers who helped deliver the program.

The oversubscription to the program is a testimony to the value it holds for communities across the country. In fact, the Federation of Canadian Municipalities is suggesting your budget include another \$7B for the Rapid Housing Initiative to create 24,000 new permanent affordable homes.

In my riding of Fredericton, there was an incredible project that didn't make the cut with the original \$500M in the municipal stream. I am writing to ask you to significantly increase the RHI fund and approve a second wave of projects as soon as possible.

Canadians need bold leadership to withstand the twin crises of COVID-19 and homelessness.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'J. Atwin', written in a cursive style.

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