# Municipal Capital Growth Program

Department of Municipal Affairs and Housing

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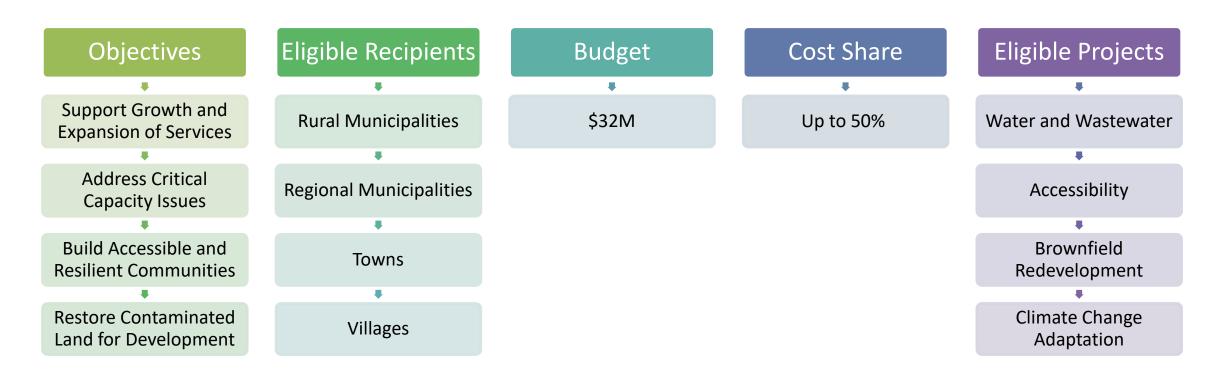
### **Purpose**

The Municipal Capital Growth Program (MCGP) was developed to provide infrastructure funding for capital projects that assist municipalities accommodate anticipated growth in their communities.

MCGP will focus on expanding services, building more accessible and resilient communities, and restoring land for future development.



#### Municipal Capital Growth Program (MCGP)



Note: MCGP is a one-time program. Funds must be spent by March 31, 2026



## **Expansion or Renewal of Water/Wastewater**

Eligible Projects	Examples
This includes construction, expansion and/or renewal of:	<ul> <li>Water and wastewater treatment plant construction</li> <li>&amp; upgrades</li> </ul>
• Facilities for the treatment and disposal of Sanitary	
Sewage	<ul> <li>Pump and lift station construction and upgrades</li> </ul>
Sanitary Sewage collection systems	Sanitary and storm sewer separations
Water intake, treatment, pumping and storage facilities	<ul> <li>Sanitary and waterline construction, replacements, upgrades, and extensions</li> </ul>
Water transmission and distribution systems	apgrades, and extensions
• Storm sewer separation	
<ul> <li>Infrastructure which reduces/eliminates combined sewer overflows</li> </ul>	



## **Accessibility**

Eligible Projects	Examples
<ul> <li>Capital projects required to comply with the Accessibility Act</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Building ramps, accessible doors and accessible washrooms, elevators, lifts, pool lifts</li> </ul>
Projects supported by accessibility plans	Accessible playgrounds, accessible sidewalks
<ul> <li>Accessibility improvements to municipal infrastructure including sidewalks and active transportation (excluding Fleet)</li> </ul>	



## **Brownfield Redevelopment**

Eligible Projects	Examples
<ul> <li>Demolition, remediation, earthworks as required to enable residential development</li> </ul>	Clean up and restore contaminated land
<ul> <li>Extension of services to remediated, vacant or underutilized land</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Demolition and removal of a derelict building for residential development (must include land remediation)</li> </ul>



## **Climate Change Adaptation**

Eligible Projects	Examples
<ul> <li>Capital Project Recommendations from Climate Hazard/Risk Assessments</li> <li>Coastal and Inland Flooding Adaptations</li> <li>Emergency prep</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Backup generators</li> <li>Water Storage Systems</li> <li>Building seawalls to protect against sea level rise</li> </ul>
• Emergency prep	Develop land and road resiliency



## **Project Costs**

Eligible Costs	Ineligible Costs
Engineering services and project management	<ul> <li>Costs incurred before project approval</li> <li>Interim financing costs</li> </ul>
Construction inspection and administration	<ul> <li>Non-fixed assets which are not essential for the operation of the asset</li> </ul>
<ul> <li>Construction and equipment acquisition as per</li> </ul>	Operation and maintenance costs
plans and specifications	Land acquisition
	<ul> <li>Leasing land, buildings and other facilities</li> </ul>
	Real estate fees and related costs
	<ul> <li>Overhead costs, including salaries and other employment</li> </ul>
	benefits of any employees of the Recipient
	Use of MCGP grant funds for expenses already cost
	shared by other funding programs



### **Application Submission**

#### **Application Deadline**

Open from November 1 to December 13, 2023

#### How to Apply

- Guides and Application Form available on program website and included with launch email
- Submit to program email (MCGP@novascotia.ca)

#### **Application Considerations**

- Must prioritize if more than one application submitted
- Include Council Resolutions and detailed cost estimates
- Clearly define scope and outcomes (select appropriate indicators)
- Eligible costs are from the date of approval to March 31, 2026 (must be new projects)
- Identify joint applications and projects resulting from regulatory requirements
- Clearly identify any pending applications made from other programs



### **Application Review Process**

Application submissions will receive email confirmation of receipt

Late or incomplete applications may not be considered

Application is reviewed and screened for eligibility

Project approvals are expected before fiscal year end



### **Program Email**

Submit application form and email inquiries to: <a href="MCGP@novascotia.ca">MCGP@novascotia.ca</a>

Guide and Application forms can be downloaded from website:

https://beta.novascotia.ca/apply-funding-support-municipal-infrastructure-projects-municipal-capital-growth-program



#### **FAQs**

- Can multiple applications be submitted?
- Is there a maximum funding level?
- Is pre-design/design work eligible?
- Can funding be stacked with other programs?
- Can we submit a joint application?

### Thank you! Questions are welcome

