

Proponent Questions and CMHC Responses (Q&As)

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Q&A TABLE

No.	Proponent's Question	CMHC Response
1	<p>Would this program pertain to home building to assist first nations with adequate housing in urban areas.</p> <p>If you could give me more information that would be greatly appreciated.</p>	<p>Yes, as per section 4.3 of the RFP - eligible activities under program and operational funding states the following:</p> <p>“Recognizing the goal of the U.R.N. Strategy Framework is to reduce core housing need it is expected that the majority of program funding will be spent on projects that narrow the housing gap. The Centre is expected to flow funding to eligible activities that would see Indigenous housing and service providers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Increase their capacity to support U.R.N. Indigenous Peoples through development of new or expansion of successful existing housing programs; (ii) Build/acquire/convert housing and land for the purposes of shelters and affordable housing across the spectrum for those in greatest need; (iii) Repair, operate and maintain housing units and particularly preserve existing social housing stock; and (iv) Develop new or augment existing housing affordability support tools – including but not limited to rent supplements, rental subsidies, or allowances.” <p>The following definitions are provided for terms specific to the RFP:</p> <p>Urban, Rural, Remote, and Northern areas (“U.R.N.”) – defined as:</p>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none">(a) Urban centres having a population of at least 10,000 (Census Metropolitan Areas (CMAs) of 100,000 plus and Census Agglomerations (CAs) of 10,000 plus), excluding regions covered under the definition of the North;(b) Rural centres of less than 10,000 outside of CMAs, CAs, and the North;(c) Remote centre is any geographic area outside of CMAs, CAs, and the North with an additional locational distinction based on the federal Remoteness Index; and(d) The North consisting of the territories (Yukon, Northwest Territories and Nunavut) as well as Inuit Nunangat – the four Inuit Treaty Organization regions (Nunavik, Nunatsiavut, Inuvialuit, and Nunavut).
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