

News release

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Canada and New Brunswick invest in municipal infrastructure to boost housing growth in Beaurivage and active transportation in Grand Bouctouche

Beaurivage, New Brunswick, October 15, 2026 — The Government of Canada is using every tool at its disposal, leveraging technology, innovation and partnerships, to build homes at scale.

To that end, the Honourable Dominic LeBlanc, President of the King's Privy Council for Canada and Minister responsible for Canada-U.S. Trade, Intergovernmental Affairs, Internal Trade and One Canadian Economy, the Honourable Pat Finnigan, Minister of Agriculture, Aquaculture and Fisheries, the Honourable Gilles LePage, Minister of Environment and Climate Change and Minister responsible for the Regional Development Corporation, Her Worship Danielle Dugas, Mayor of the Town of Beaurivage, and Jean-Claude Babineau, Deputy Mayor of the Town of Grand Bouctouche, announced a joint investment of more than \$7.1 million through the Provincial-Territorial stream of the Canada Housing Infrastructure Fund (CHIF) and the Active Transportation Fund for two projects that will improve essential infrastructure to support more housing in Beaurivage and upgrade active transportation in Grand Bouctouche.

In Beaurivage, water, sanitary sewer, and stormwater infrastructure will be extended along Cartier and Cunard Streets to support a new residential development. Work includes installing several hundreds of metres of watermain, sanitary sewer, and storm sewer, as well as restoring the roadway and sidewalks. These improvements will increase the community's capacity for future growth by enabling the future construction of up to 150 new housing units, 20 of which will be affordable units.

In the Town of Grand Bouctouche, an active transportation project will improve pedestrian safety in the town school zone by resurfacing and adding sidewalks along Rue du Parc (400 m), Rue Landry (200 m) and Rue de l'Église (120 m). It will also install three speed bumps and signage to slow traffic and improve safety for pedestrians, particularly students and people with limited mobility.

These types of important infrastructure projects support the Government of Canada's goal to build healthy, active communities, address the housing crisis, and complement the work of Build Canada Homes, a new federal agency that will build affordable houses, support builders with financing, and encourage better building methods.

Together, we will make housing more affordable by unleashing the power of public-private cooperation, catalysing a modern housing industry, and creating new careers in the skilled trades.

Quotes

"Investing in reliable infrastructure helps communities grow and improves residents' daily lives. In Beaurivage, these projects will support housing construction and community development. In Grand Bouctouche, they will improve sidewalks and pedestrian safety so that children, seniors,

and people of all abilities can get around safely. The Government of Canada is proud to help build stronger, more accessible, and better-connected communities.”

The Honourable Dominic LeBlanc, President of the King's Privy Council for Canada and Minister responsible for Canada-U.S. Trade, Intergovernmental Affairs, Internal Trade and One Canadian Economy

“The province has been investing in municipal infrastructure to support housing development right across the province. It is exciting to see Beaurivage become another community that is making strides to increase capacity for future growth by enabling the construction of up to 150 new housing units, 20 of which will be affordable units.”

The Honourable Gilles LePage, Minister of Environment and Climate Change and Minister responsible for the Regional Development Corporation

“This project was launched under the previous city council, and I am pleased to see that it continues to move forward and take shape. It is encouraging to see our region grow and to witness the new opportunities emerging right here at home. We are proud to contribute to this progress and to continue the work that was initiated for our community.”

Her Worship Danielle Dugas, Mayor of the Town of Beaurivage

“This investment represents an important step toward making Grand Bouctouche safer and more accessible for everyone. By improving sidewalks, traffic-calming measures, and pedestrian infrastructure near our schools, we are creating safer routes for students, families, seniors, and people with limited mobility. We thank the Government of Canada for its support in helping us build a healthier and more connected community.”

His Worship Aldéo Saulnier, Mayor of the Town of Grand Bouctouche

Quick facts

- The extension of municipal water and sewer infrastructure project in Beaurivage is funded through the Canada Housing Infrastructure Fund (CHIF). The federal government is investing \$3,097,600, the Government of New Brunswick is investing \$2,064,860 and the Town of Beaurivage is contributing \$1,032,740.
- The active transportation project in Grand Bouctouche is funded through the Active Transportation Fund. The federal government is investing \$586,680 and the Town of Grand Bouctouche is contributing \$391,120.
- The Canada Housing Infrastructure Fund (CHIF) is designed to help communities build the infrastructure necessary to support more homes and increase housing density. The funding can be used for projects that improve drinking water, wastewater, and stormwater systems, as well as initiatives that preserve existing capacity, enhance system reliability, or implement waste diversion measures to reduce landfill use.
- The federal government is investing \$3.65 billion in local infrastructure across Canada through CHIF.
- [Build Canada Homes was launched on September 14, 2025](#) and is focused on increasing the supply of affordable housing. Alongside this effort, Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation (CMHC) will continue to deliver on its mandate to contribute to the well-being of

Canada's housing system through existing programs such as the Apartment Construction Loan Program and Mortgage Loan Insurance products.

- The Canada Public Transit Fund (CPTF) is the largest public transit investment in Canadian history. It is designed to meet the unique needs of communities of all sizes, from large metropolitan areas to mid-size and smaller communities, including rural, remote, northern, and Indigenous communities.
- The new HICC Buy Canadian Policy ensures that more public dollars go into the Canadian economy, by prioritizing the use of Canadian suppliers, content and materials, for infrastructure and housing projects. The Policy will be implemented for new projects under the Strong Transit Fund and the Baseline Funding streams, creating Canadian careers, using Canadian resources, and benefiting communities across the country.

Associated Links

Canada Housing Infrastructure Fund

<https://housing-infrastructure.canada.ca/housing-logement/chif-fcil/index-eng.html>

Fairness for Every Generation

<https://www.budget.canada.ca/2024/home-accueil-en.html>

Solving the Housing Crisis: Canada's Housing Plan

<https://housing-infrastructure.canada.ca/housing-logement/housing-plan-logement-eng.html>

Growing communities and building more homes, faster

<https://www.pm.gc.ca/en/news/news-releases/2024/04/02/growing-communities-and-building-more-homesfaster>

Canada Public Transit Fund

<https://housing-infrastructure.canada.ca/cptf-ftcc/index-eng.html>

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