






Draft Open for Business DASHBOARD - Quarterly Progress Report




Progress Indicators





- ✓ Proceeding well, progress towards commitment
- ◆ Proceeding with caution, some progress on commitment
- ⊕ No activities in this quarter, no progress on commitment
- * Activities accomplished, commitment met

| | Commitments - June 4, 2012 | Status | Progress Indicators | Planned Next Steps |
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| 1.0 | THEME 1: Streamlining & modernizing government funding and strengthening the funding relationship | | | |
| 1.1 | Establish a cross-Ministry/nonprofit sector Joint Funding Reform Working Group, supported by the Ministry of Citizenship and Immigration (MCI) in collaboration with Ontario Trillium Foundation, to improve the efficiency and effectiveness of the sector/government funding relationship. | Joint Funding Reform Steering Committee Established and met in September | ✓ | 2 nd meeting being planned with expanded government members. |
| | Short-term reform initiatives (by fiscal year 2013-14) | | | |
| 1.2 | Provide clear and timely notification by Ministry(ies) to nonprofit sector transfer payment recipients of any changes to transfer payment terms and conditions. | Government members met to plan how to implement Short Term Reforms. Government considering a directive from Ministry of Finance | ◆ | Government members meeting again to determine next steps |
| 1.3 | Allow for budget flexibility within acceptable funding agreement transfer payment categories (e.g. a salary category). | Government members exploring Employment Ontario as best practice | ◆ | As above |
| 1.4 | Promote access to and transparency in government grant management and approval processes with related service standards. | Ministry of Government Services Policy staff being consulted | ◆ | As above |
| 1.5 | Provide consistent advance notice to Ministry transfer payment recipients of funding changes. | More information was provided by sector members to government members | ◆ | As above |

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| 1.6 | Integrate one time reporting of organizations' basic information for use by all Ministries. | Sector members clarified issue. Government reps exploring cross- ministry coordination capacity | ◆ | As above |
| 1.7 | Build on existing IT models/platforms (e.g. Grants Ontario) that contribute to standardization and simplification of the government/sector funding investment relationship. | Government determined this was not a short term deliverable | ◆ | Government work on Grants Ontario will continue with sector involvement |
| Long-term reform initiatives | | | | |
| 1.8 | Simplify and streamline the overall administration of the government's granting cycle. | Joint Government /sector Task group met on Nov 1 to identify specific reform details and priorities for consideration by Joint Funding Reform (JFR) Steering committee | ◆ | MCI working on date for next JFR Steering Committee meeting likely to be the third week of November 2012 . |
| 1.9 | Develop a common understanding and cross government approach for proportional Risk Assessment, Mitigation and Management (RAMM). | As above | ◆ | As above |
| 1.10 | Improve (simplify and streamline) nonprofit reporting of Ministries funded activities. | As above | ◆ | As above |
| 1.11 | Implement innovative practices for cash flow and transfer payment renewal to enable sustainable community services. | As Above | ◆ | As above |
| 2.0 | THEME 2: Police Records Checks | | | |
| 2.1 | Develop a clear language Statement referencing provincial legislation and regulatory requirements for police records checks (drafting by Ministry of Community Safety and Correctional Services (MCSCS), other ministries and ONN). | Final draft reviewed by working group (October 31, 2012) | ✓ | Finalize and translate the Statement |
| 2.2 | Post the approved Statement on the Ministry of Citizenship and Immigration (MCI)'s website as part of the Partnership Project office. | Statement not yet finalized | ◆ | Post on MCI's website and through ONN's network (November 2012) |
| 2.3 | Develop other plain language materials to support the Statement: frequently asked questions; checklist of good practices; links to key references; and resource materials (development by MCSCS/MCI/ONN). | A list of resources and references is included in the Statement | ◆ | Review what further information is needed to support the Statement |

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| 2.4 | Develop a communications strategy to disseminate the key references and resource materials (development by MCI). | In progress |  | |
| 3.0 | THEME 3: Expansion of the Infrastructure Ontario Loan Program (IOLP) | | | |
| 3.1 | Establish a Joint Working Group (establishment by Ministry of Ontario Infrastructure (MIO) and ONN). | Established June 29th, 2012. |  | Continuing to meet on commitments made at Open for Business Final Roundtable on a monthly basis. |
| 3.2 | Address challenges faced by currently eligible borrowers from the nonprofit sector in successfully accessing the Infrastructure Ontario Loan Program (IOLP) and propose solutions (the Joint Working Group to address these challenges). | Joint Working Group (JWG) discussions on challenges facing nonprofit sector on developing Community Health Centre and Social Services Hub (e.g. partnerships and funding relationships). Infrastructure Ontario reworking business planning model and sector providing advice to IO. |  | IO to share a potentially significant advancement in business model at an upcoming meeting as well as a possible strong applicant. |
| 3.3 | Develop a nonprofit facilitator/intermediary role to assist eligible borrowers from the sector with: how to qualify for a loan; application requirements; preparations of business cases; capital project management; expertise and capacity building with support from Infrastructure Ontario(IO). | ONN tabled a Discussion Paper on 3.3 October 24th, 2012 with the JWG. Paper was shared with key sector partners such as the Community Forward Fund and Canadian Alternative Investment Cooperative) and other sector groups involved with JWG in advance of tabling on the 24th. |  | Will be a subject for discussion at an upcoming JWG meeting, likely the monthly meeting in November 2012 |
| 3.4 | Develop recommendations for expansion of IOLP to specific new sub-segments of the nonprofit sector through business case proposals for the government's consideration. | On September 21st , ONN tabled with JWG four (4) proposed expansion areas in the sector for the IOLP as eligible borrowers. They were: |  | MOI/IO are reviewing the rationale, other information and specific details on the 4 areas proposed by ONN. Ministry will be consulting internally within government |

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| | | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> . Child care . Arts and Culture . Community Services Hub . Community energy | | on them as well as seeking, as required, additional details and information from ONN and/or sector experts. It is expected that Ministry will be discussing results of internal discussions and next steps in the process of moving these forward within Government at the next JWG in November. |
| 4.0 | THEME 4: Maximizing public investment returns from government surplus lands | | | |
| 4.1 | Subject to government direction, include not-for-profit corporations without share capital that provide a public benefit purpose in the list of entities that receive the information on surplus government lands prior to the lands being placed on the open market for sale at market value (e.g. other entities include: municipalities, utilities, conservation authorities and the government of Canada). Inclusion to be undertaken by Ministry of Ontario Infrastructure (MOI). | Positive verbal direction on this item was received by ONN in August/2012 from MOI officials. |  | completed |
| 4.2 | Provide MOI with the definition of eligible not-for-profit corporations without share capital that provide a public benefit purpose as per IO's Realty Directives policy (ONN to provide definition). | ONN tabled a draft definition with MOI on October 1, 2012 |  | Ministry's Real Estate Policy Branch is reviewing proposed definition and ONN expects written feedback from MOI officials shortly. Joint meeting with MOI/IO officials on this is planned for last week of November. |
| 4.3 | Create and maintain a registry of eligible not-for-profit corporations based on 4.2 and specific criteria that will receive the list of, and be able to purchase, surplus government lands prior to being placed on the open market (creation and maintenance of registry and criteria by ONN, with support from MOI). | On October 1 , ONN tabled draft registry criteria and discussed a governance model to manage the registry once implemented. |  | ONN is awaiting feedback from Ministry on the draft registry criteria and other relevant ones that may be forthcoming from MOI/IO and will be reviewing the governance framework on issues like accountability, conflict of interest, communications and service standards at next joint meeting end of |

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| | | | | November. Intent to launch process for registration of eligible nonprofits who will receive the list of surplus public properties in January/ 13 and implementation of the registry by April1/2013 |
| 5.0 | THEME 5: Broader public sector access to provincial Vendor of Records (VOR) | | | |
| 5.1 | Approve and implement the recommendations that, "major transfer payment recipients" will no longer be used as the definition in determining transfer payment entities' (nonprofit organizations') access to provincial Vendor of Record (VOR) arrangements (government to approve and implement). | The term "major transfer payment recipient" removed from definition |  | Ministries to communicate with their nonprofit partners (transfer payment agencies) between November 2012 and March 2013 |
| 5.2 | Review and assess access to enterprise wide VOR arrangements with access being restricted on an exceptional basis only for formerly defined transfer payment entities (now: nonprofit organizations). Ministries, led by the Ministry of Government Services (MGS), will undertake review and assessment. | MGS has created background documents, FAQs, instructions for Ministries and non-profit organizations |  | Individual Ministries will identify eligibility for access amongst their funded nonprofit partners; MGS and ONN will share background documents (November 2012) |
| 5.3 | Communicate VOR access to Ministries' transfer payment recipients (nonprofit organizations) in writing, primarily through annual contribution agreement renewals or other appropriate means (Ministries will communicate). | MGS to communicate process and background documents to Ministries (mid- November 2012) |  | All ministries required to notify their funded agencies of VOR access and instructions by March 2013) |
| 5.4 | Meet on a regular basis to review progress on access and use of VOR arrangements within the nonprofit sector as well as identify appropriate opportunities to promote awareness of VOR arrangement and good practices in their use (ONN, MGS and other relevant ministries to meet). | In progress |  | Plans for webinars and tracking progress to be developed |