

Corporation of the Municipality of Temagami

Memo No. 2020-M-100

Memorandum to Council

Subject:	COVID Funding
Agenda Date:	August 27, 2020
Attachments:	Letter from Minister Clark, Municipal Affairs and Housing

RECOMMENDATION

That Council receive Memo 2020-M-100 for information – COVID Funding.

<u>INFORMATION</u>

As part of the \$14 billion transferred from the Federal Government to the Provinces and Territories, of which Ontario's share is \$4 billion, we have now received notice of our allocation. This funding is being split between supporting municipal transit and supporting municipal operating system. In the initial phase for operations, we have been allocated, on a per household basis, a payment of \$175,600.

It is important to note that this is on a per household basis which actually puts us in better stead than if funding was allocated on a per capita basis. While I am not certain if it was a cause but I did lobby for this when I was invited to participate in an AMO hosted call about future funding last month.

Municipalities have to report on how this has been spent and, if any excess, hold these excess funds in reserves to support future COVID-19 costs. Reports are due to be filed with the Province by the end of October. There are two Council meetings scheduled in October. Staff will endeavour to have a draft report available for the first meeting and at that time the discussion can be held about phase 2 requests as noted in the Minister's letter.

I have signed the acknowledgement as requested and returned same to the Ministry. The initial funds should be flowed by mid-September.

Respectfully Submitted Craig Davidson Treasurer/Administrator