

## Financial Resources

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Ontario Renovates Program	
<u>Hamilton</u>	The Ontario Renovates Secondary Suite Forgivable Loan Program aims to increase the supply of affordable housing units in Hamilton, while creating an opportunity for homeowners to generate additional income. The Homeowner Ontario Renovates offers financial assistance to low-income households who own and occupy substandard housing to enable them to repair their dwellings to a minimum level of health and safety.
	The <b>Person with Disabilities Ontario Renovates</b> offers financial assistance to low income households occupied by persons with disabilities who require special modifications to improve accessibility to their residence.

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<u>Niagara</u>	The Niagara Renovates Program is a program for low-and modest-income households in Niagara that funds: <ul> <li>Affordable housing repairs</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Housing modifications for persons with disabilities</li> </ul>
	To qualify, existing homes must need repairs to bring them up to a minimum level of health and safety, and/or permanent modifications to increase accessibility for the occupant's disability.
	All repair work must include energy-saving products where possible.
<u>Haldimand Norfolk</u>	For more information on this program, contact a Housing Resource Coordinator, at 519.426.6170 or 905.318.6623 Ext. 3234 or 3235 or by email below.
<u>Brant</u>	The Ontario Renovates Program is a program for low- to-moderate income households, who own a home (that is their sole and principal residence) in the City of Brantford and County of Brant. Ontario Renovates provides up to \$20,000 funding for:
	<ul><li>Major home repairs; and,</li><li>Housing modifications for persons with disabilities.</li></ul>

Federal & Provincial Programs	
<u>CRA Housing Benefits</u>	Information on the GST/HST new housing rebate, buying a home, making homes more energy-efficient and funding for Indigenous housing construction and renovation.
<u>Ceridian Cares</u>	Ceridian has always believed in the importance of "giving where we're living". Through corporate pledges, support of employee-initiated fundraising, and encouragement of staff volunteerism, Ceridian has been proud to contribute to the communities where we live and work.

<u>March of Dimes</u>	Barriers in the built environment can make daily tasks challenging for people who use mobility devices, or have a condition that impacts their mobility. If you or someone you know is interested in finding out how you can make your home, your car, and your life more accessible, this is the place for you.
Ontario Aboriginal Housing	Units must be affordable for our tenants, which is why we provide a variety of housing options that suit individual and family needs along the housing continuum starting at rent geared-to-income units and currently ending with assisted homeownership and home repair assistance. Rents are set at rates ranging from 25 percent of gross income (core need) to 80 percent of market (affordable).

## **Passport Funding**

Since you are eligible for adult developmental services, you are also eligible for Passport funding in the amount of \$5,500 a year.

This funding can help you participate in community services and supports, daily living activities, and person-directed planning. It can help you become more involved in your community and live more independently.

Click here to open the new Passport Funding website





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