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MEMORANDUM TO: All Ontario Fire Chiefs

FROM: Jon Pegg
Ontario Fire Marshal

DATE: October 16, 2024

SUBJECT: **Community Emergency Preparedness Grant (CEPG)**

The [Community Emergency Preparedness Grant \(CEPG\)](#), administered by Treasury Board Secretariat, provides funding to support communities and organizations to strengthen local emergency preparedness. The grant is part of the \$110 million investment the Ontario government committed to strengthen emergency preparedness.

The CEPG will help eligible communities purchase equipment, supplies and services to help prepare, respond and recover from emergencies.

The grant is now open and receiving submissions for Round 2 (2024-25).

Eligible applicants include:

- non-municipal fire departments (Northern Fire Protection Program fire departments)
- non-government organizations providing fire protection or emergency preparedness mandates
- local services boards
- First Nations communities, Indigenous organizations and services that support emergency preparedness and management programming in First Nation communities
- municipalities with a population under 100,000 (Statistics Canada data from 2021).

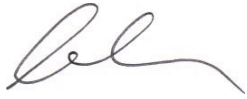
Ineligible applicants include:

- organizations that previously received funding through the 2023-24 CEPG or the Emergency Readiness and Capacity Building program
- municipal fire departments cannot directly apply, they may apply through an eligible municipality.

Round 2 closes **October 31, 2024**, 5:00 pm EST.

I encourage all eligible applicants to apply for this funding to further enhance emergency preparedness and response to local emergencies. Please refer to the Community Emergency Preparedness Grant on the [Transfer Payment Ontario](#) website for eligibility and program guidelines. For more information about this Community Emergency Preparedness Grant, please contact EMOCommunityGrants@ontario.ca.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Jon Pegg', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Jon Pegg
Ontario Fire Marshal

- c. Mario Di Tommaso, O.O.M. Deputy Solicitor General, Community Safety, Ministry of the Solicitor General