

Land for Homes Initiative FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

WHAT IS NUNAVUT'S LAND FOR HOMES INITIATIVE (L4H)?

Land and Housing partners are working together to support the supply of appropriate build-ready land and more housing options for Nunavummiut.

WHO IS PARTICIPATING IN THE L4H INITIATIVE?

Nunavut Housing Corporation (NHC), Nunavut Tunngavik Inc. (NTI), and the Nunavut Association of Municipalities (NAM) are project partners. Key stakeholders include the Regional Inuit Associations, local municipalities, and the Government of Nunavut's Department of Community and Government Services. Project funding is provided by Canada Mortgage and Housing (CMHC).

WHY IS L4H IMPORTANT?

The crisis of inadequate housing continues to harm Nunavummiut. The pace of housing construction in Nunavut has more than doubled in the last two years. Without collaborative action to support timely access to suitable "build-ready" land, fewer new homes will be built.



HOW IS L4H SUPPORTING LAND AND HOUSING PARTNERS?

The L4H Knowledgebase and the L4H Informational Toolset ensure that essential information is accessible to support good decisions in the supply and selection of land for homes.

HOW IS L4H IMPROVING ACCESS TO ESSENTIAL LAND RELATED INFORMATION?

L4H has identified land supply, infrastructure, and data gaps; compiled a knowledgebase of community, neighbourhood, and lot information: developed a Toolset to collect, store, and use land-related data; and provided guides and templates to support housing partners.

WHAT DOES "APPROPRIATE" LAND FOR HOMES MEAN?

Appropriate land has been residentially zoned and is technically suitable, financially affordable and environmentally sustainable. It must also be responsive to community priorities and to the cultural needs of Inuit.

WHAT DOES "BUILD READY" LAND FOR HOMES MEAN?

Build-ready land has been approved for residential use in the municipality's Community Plan and Zoning Bylaw, and is serviced by infrastructure including roads, drainage, power, and utilidor (where applicable).

HOW LONG DOES IT TAKE TO MAKE LAND FOR HOMES "BUILD READY"

Once a need for land has been identified, land planning and the installation of necessary infrastructure can take several years. Building construction can often start before infrastructure is fully complete.

WHAT HAPPENS AT THE END OF THE CURRENT PHASE OF L4H?

The L4H Knowledgebase and Toolset will be fully available for use by partners and stakeholders by March 31, 2025. An L4H Version 2.0 Strategic Plan lays out how L4H will continue to support housing and land partners into the future.

