#### **Selection Process**

- Applicants must submit a **complete** application.
- All applicants will be notified of the results.
- Successful applicants will receive a 6oday commitment letter, which they can present to a financial institution as proof of the down payment assistance.
- Applicants must provide an accepted 'Offer to Purchase' within the 60-day limit and must close the sale within 90 days of the accepted 'Offer to Purchase'.
- Your closing date must be a minimum of 20 days to a maximum 90 days from the date all conditions are met.
- If the applicant is unsuccessful within this timeframe, the funds will be withdrawn and offered to someone else.

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## **Conditions for Repayment**

- No repayment of the loan after 20 years (or more), which is the affordability period.
- If an event of default occurs (e.g. insolvency, leasing of the unit, purchaser ceases to occupy the unit as a sole and principal residence) within 20 years of the date of purchase, it is deemed a sale. The purchaser would be required to repay the loan, plus a percentage share of the realized capital gains proportionate to the down payment assistance. For example, if a purchaser was assisted with 5% of the purchase price, the original down payment amount plus 5% of the capital gain would have to be repaid.
- If home is sold before 20 year period expires and seller experiences a capital loss, repayment would be waived provided the sale meets the following criteria:
  - ✓ the unit is sold at a fair market value; and
  - ✓ the purchase and sale of the unit is an arm's-length transaction.
- In the event of the death of a homeowner prior to the expiry of the 20-year affordability period, only the principal would have to be repaid.

## Investment in Affordable Housing (IAH) for Ontario

## Homeownership Program









### **Information Sheet**

- The Homeownership component of the Investment in Affordable Housing (IAH) for Ontario Program 2011 has been developed to assist low- to moderate-income rental households to purchase affordable homes by providing down payment assistance in the form of a forgivable loan. Objectives of the program are to:
  - ✓ Ease the demand for rental housing by assisting renter households across the province to purchase affordable homes.
  - ✓ Provide low and moderate income individuals and families with an opportunity to move up the socioeconomic ladder through home ownership.
  - Encourage developers to build affordable housing by fostering demand.
- This is a secured forgivable loan for down payment assistance only. The purchaser is responsible for all other related costs including legal costs, closing costs, title registration, and a home inspection for resale homes. If no event of default occurs, the down payment loan is forgivable after 20 years.
- Eligible homes may be either resale homes or new construction units, including conversions from non-residential use that qualify for Tarion's new home warranty.

- Maximum eligible house price is \$200,000
- Maximum household income is \$62,000
- Down payment assistance of \$10,000 is available towards the purchase price of a new home, as funding permits

## **Applicant Eligibility**

- To be eligible for down payment assistance, the prospective purchaser (s) must meet the following minimum criteria:
  - ✓ Be a Canadian citizen, landed immigrant, or have refugee claimant status.
  - ✓ Minimum age of 18 years with a gross household income at or below \$62,000.
  - ✓ Total household assets of \$20,000 or less.
  - ✓ Be a current renter household in the District of Parry Sound.
  - ✓ Home must be purchased in the District of Parry Sound and be the sole and principal residence.
  - ✓ Cannot own or have an interest in a house or land anywhere in the world.
  - ✓ Be able to qualify for a mortgage.
  - ✓ Not owe any social housing provider arrears.
  - Complete a Homeownership Application and provide all necessary documentation.

A parent or another party not living in the home and not on title to the home may guarantee the obligations of a borrower under his or her mortgage in favour of the primary lender. This would be in the form of a Guarantee Agreement. Guarantors would not enter into homeownership agreements or be subject to the purchaser's eligibility requirements. A Guarantee Agreement may satisfy a primary lender's requirement for security.

## **Unit Eligibility**

- Maximum eligible new home price is \$200,000 and must be located within the District of Parry Sound.
- Down payment assistance of \$10,000 towards the cost of an eligible home, as funding permits.
- Eligible homes may be resale homes or new builds including detached, semidetached, townhouse, condo, or row house. Mobile homes, trailers, or duplexes are ineligible.

