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234-2021-5311

January 25, 2022

Your Worship  
Mayor Aina DeViet  
Municipality of Middlesex Centre

Dear Mayor DeViet:

Thank you for your application to the third intake of **the Municipal Modernization Program** and for your commitment to delivering modern, efficient services that are financially sustainable.

Under the third-party review stream, I am pleased to inform you that the Ford government will provide funding up to:

- \$76,320 towards: Municipality of Middlesex Centre Customer Relationship Management Review; and
- \$55,968 towards: Municipality of Middlesex Centre Organizational and Community Review through a Fire Service Master Plan.

All funding is for the cost of an independent third-party reviewer to deliver a final report with specific and actionable recommendations for cost-savings and efficiencies by January 31, 2023.

In 2019, the Ford government launched the MMP to help small and rural municipalities modernize service delivery and identify new ways to be more efficient and effective. The impacts of the COVID-19 outbreak have made this work more important than ever. The projects approved for funding under the third intake of the Municipal Modernization Program will support municipalities' efforts to conduct service delivery reviews to find efficiencies or implement a range of projects, including developing online systems to improve the local process for approving residential and industrial developments to bring housing and employment-related development on stream faster, or setting up new shared services with neighbouring municipalities.

I understand how important this work will be to your community. To help you get started, an interim payment will be issued following execution of a transfer payment agreement. Ministry staff will forward instructions and a transfer payment agreement for each approved project in the coming days and will work with you to have it finalized. If you have questions, please contact your municipal advisor, or email [municipal.programs@ontario.ca](mailto:municipal.programs@ontario.ca).

I would like to offer my congratulations on this funding approval and extend my best wishes as you work to improve service delivery and administrative efficiency in your municipality.

Sincerely,



Steve Clark  
Minister

c. Michael Di Lullo, CAO  
Tiffany Farrell, Director of Corporate Services/Treasurer  
Colin Toth, Director of Emergency Services  
The Honourable Monte McNaughton, MPP, Lambton—Kent—Middlesex

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Under the third-party review stream, I am pleased to inform you that the Ford government will provide funding of up to \$101,760 towards:

- Municipalities of Middlesex Centre, Strathroy-Caradoc, and Thames Centre Organizational Review

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Fred Tranquilli, CAO, Municipality of Strathroy-Caradoc

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Your Worship  
Warden Alison Warwick  
County of Middlesex

Dear Warden Warwick:

Thank you for your application to the third intake of **the Municipal Modernization Program** and for your commitment to delivering modern, efficient services that are financially sustainable.

Under the implementation project stream, I am pleased to inform you that the Ford government will provide funding of up to \$33,072 towards:

- County of Middlesex Joint Budget Enhancements and Reporting Modernization

The provincial funding is for up to 65% of total eligible costs to implement the project and complete a final report that forecasts annual savings and other efficiency outcomes by February 28, 2023.

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Cindy Howard, General Manager Finance and Community Services

Chris Bailey, Manager of Information Technology Services

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Parliamentary Assistant Jeff Yurek, MPP, Elgin—Middlesex—London

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