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Subject: Finally! Federal support for Municipalities- Federal announcements - June 1

Good morning Mayor and Council,

Please see below for announcements made by the federal government today:

Federal Updates:

- The **Federal government** announced that it will **fast-track \$2.2B to help municipalities hit hard by pandemic**.
 - The \$2.2 billion in annual infrastructure funding for communities, through the gas tax fund, will be delivered in one payment in June and will give municipalities earlier access to previously allotted money.
 - Trudeau said the federal government will work with the provinces to provide more emergency aid.
 - Communities will have flexibility to use the funds to meet local needs.

- The Prime Minister has also announced additional funding for health, economic, and social support for Indigenous peoples and communities.
 - \$285.1 million to support the ongoing public health response to COVID-19 in Indigenous communities
 - \$270 million to supplement the On-Reserve Income Assistance Program to address increased demand on the program, which will help individuals and families meet their essential living expenses.
 - \$44.8 million over five years to build 12 new shelters, which will help protect and support Indigenous women and girls experiencing and fleeing violence. This funding will help build 10 shelters in First Nations communities on reserve across the country, and two in the territories, to support Indigenous women and children.
 - \$40.8 million to support operational costs for these new shelters over the first five years, and \$10.2 million annually ongoing.
 - \$1 million a year ongoing, starting this year, to support engagement with Métis leaders and service providers on shelter provision and community-led violence prevention projects for Métis women, girls, and LGBTQ and two-spirit people.

Best,
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