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Your Worship
Mayor J. Murray Jones
Township of Douro-Dummer
jjones@dourodummer.on.ca

Dear Mayor Jones,

Thank you for your municipality's submission to the Municipal Modernization Program and for your commitment to find smarter, more efficient ways to operate. I am pleased to advise that the Government of Ontario has approved funding of up to \$65,000.00 towards your project *Service Delivery and Organizational Review* for the cost of an independent third-party reviewer to deliver a final report by September 18, 2020 (extended from June 30, 2020).

The Municipal Modernization Program is an important part of our government's plan to help municipalities lower costs and improve services for local residents and businesses over the long term. The review project being undertaken by your municipality is an important step toward achieving Ontario's goal of helping municipalities deliver efficient, effective, modern services that meet the evolving needs of our communities.

A transfer payment agreement is required to provide funding for the project. Ministry staff will be in touch with your staff shortly to finalize the transfer payment agreement and work through details of funding implementation. Should you have any questions, please feel free to contact your Municipal Services Office, or the ministry at municipal.programs@ontario.ca.

Congratulations on this funding approval. I extend my best wishes as we work together to modernize service delivery and focus spending on vital programs and services.

Sincerely,

A blue ink signature of Steve Clark.

Steve Clark
Minister

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