

SPOTLIGHT: HOUSING INNOVATION

Selection Criteria

Spotlight: Housing Innovation encourages and will prioritize applications that represent a diversity in innovative solutions – from policy frameworks, to programs, to services to technological advancements – and in geographic or demographic representation.

Please note we are looking for innovative solutions (technologies, programs, practices, policies, strategies, support services, or a mix of these) that reach a Solution Readiness Level 7 or higher:

Stream 1:

Solution Readiness Level between 7 to 8: A near-end prototype (for technologies) or pilot (for program, policy, approach, strategy, support service) is operational and ready for demonstration and testing in an appropriate real-world environment.

Stream 2:

Solutions Readiness Level 9: Innovations that have already been implemented and succeeded in the real world, aiming for increased awareness, adoption and/or replication of the demonstrated solution.

We will focus on projects at a Solution Readiness of 7 or higher to support projects across the country that are ready to accelerate their scaling and impact on affordable housing in the near to immediate future, in alignment with the objectives and strategies set up by the National Housing Strategy. However, if you still want to submit, there may be an opportunity to have your project appear in the digital e-Booklet. Note that the Application Review Team will assess and make the final decision of your Solution Readiness Level and determine your program stream appropriately.

1. Relevance to NHS priority areas, population, shared outcomes:

Degree of relevance of the proposed innovative solution, to contribute to one or more of the NHS priority areas, populations groups or shared outcomes.

2. Contribution to spurring innovation in the housing & urban sector:

Degree to which the proposed innovative solution would contribute to spurring innovation in the housing & urban sector, taking into account the potential disruptive impact of the innovative solution to the housing & urban sector and related outcomes.

3. Partnerships potential:

- a. **Stream 1:** Degree to which the proposed innovative solution provides potential to foster new collaborations across a vast array of longstanding and non-traditional partners across the housing and urban sector.
- b. **Stream 2:** Degree to which the proposed innovative solution has generated partnerships and provides potential to foster extended collaborations across a vast array of longstanding and non-traditional partners across the housing and urban sector.

4. Extended scalability potential:

Degree to which the proposed innovative solution is scalable (national scope or cross-sector scope).

5. Potential impact on housing affordability:

- a. **Stream 1:** Degree to which the proposed innovative solution is likely to impact housing affordability.
- b. **Stream 2:** Degree to which the proposed innovative solution has proven or shown preliminary impact on housing affordability.

6. Potential impact on housing outcomes:

- a. **Stream 1:** Degree to which the proposed innovative solution would provide economic, environmental or social impacts should it be successful; taking into account magnitude, longevity and depth of such impacts (magnitude and depth of impact).
- b. **Stream 2:** Degree to which the proposed innovative solution has proven or shown preliminary economic, environmental or social impacts; taking into account magnitude, longevity and depth of such impacts (magnitude and depth of impact).

Program led by:



In partnership with:

