

Out-of-Province Ministerial Travel
(including expenses of participants and general expenses associated with travel)

Ministry	Social Services	
Title of Travel	Meeting of Federal, Provincial and Territorial Ministers Responsible for Housing and Bilateral Meeting with Federal Minister of Housing, Infrastructure and Communities	
Location	Winnipeg, Manitoba	
Date(s)	February 26-27, 2025	
Participants	Honourable Terry Jenson, Minister of Social Services Lee Guse, Chief of Staff to Minister Jenson	
Purpose of Travel	Meeting of Federal, Provincial and Territorial Ministers Responsible for Housing	
Total Travel Expenditures for Participants		
Air Travel (including airfare and airport service fees, baggage fees)		\$3,000.54
Ground Travel (including taxis, car rentals, trains and buses)		\$10.85
Accommodation (including room charges and all related taxes and fees)		\$348.96
Meals (personal per diem meal claims)		\$55.00
Conference & Registration Fees		\$0.00
Miscellaneous (including incidentals, parking, temporary cell phone upgrades, fax and internet charges, passport and visa fees, medical and vaccination fees, and other sundry expenditures)		\$34.00
Subtotal		\$3,449.35
General Travel Expenditures		
Business Hosting Expenses (expenses for luncheon and/or dinner meetings hosted by the Government of Saskatchewan, including food, beverages, catering staff, service charges, equipment, and entertainment)		\$0.00
Miscellaneous (Including meeting rooms, translator and interpreter fees, police security, publications, shipping charges, gifts)		\$0.00
Subtotal		\$0.00
TOTAL		\$3,449.35

Overview of Travel and Objectives

Attend the Meeting of Federal-Provincial-Territorial (FPT) Ministers Responsible for Housing and Homelessness in Winnipeg, Manitoba from February 26-27, 2025. The objectives of the meeting were to build and strengthen relationships across housing and homelessness portfolios, discuss current housing priorities and opportunities for collaboration, and to engage in forward looking discussions around housing and homelessness programming. FPT Ministers met for the first time since June 2023 and discussed the impacts of tariffs on housing, progress on housing initiatives and shared priorities, and the future of the National Housing Strategy.

Travel Activity

While in Winnipeg, Minister Jenson met bilaterally with the federal Minister of Housing, Infrastructure and Communities, Nathaniel Erskine-Smith. At this bilateral meeting, Ministers Jenson and Erskine-Smith discussed addressing homelessness, and Minister Jenson advanced provincial housing priorities, including the need for more flexibility in the federal approach.

At the FPT meeting, Ministers agreed to continue information sharing and collaboration to manage the impact of tariffs and retaliatory measures, including the potential to reduce inter-provincial barriers. During a roundtable discussion, PT Ministers shared success stories and progress on housing initiatives including to expand the supply of housing, implement modular construction practices, and address homelessness. Minister Jenson highlighted the province's investments to address homelessness and successful partnerships with Indigenous organizations to serve individuals who are experiencing or at risk of homelessness. Ministers also agreed to continue work on future funding agreements to follow the National Housing Strategy, keeping in mind that this will not be completed until after the upcoming federal election.