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Mayor Mario Zanth
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Dear Mayor Zanth:

As you know, our government has taken the decision to ban the use of municipal Automated Speed Enforcement (ASE) cameras in Ontario effective November 14, 2025, given the widespread abuse we have seen by municipalities using these cameras as nothing more than a cash grab. As I'm sure you agree, governments at all levels should be doing everything in their power to keep costs down for taxpayers, rather than making life more expensive through the use of cash-grab speed cameras that only impact drivers after speeding has already taken place. Instead, our government is supporting municipalities in the use of proven traffic-calming measures such as speed bumps, raised crosswalks, roundabouts, enhanced high-visibility signage and enhanced police enforcement, which will stop drivers from speeding in the first place.

To assist in your municipality's transition to the use of these proven and proactive traffic-calming measures, I am pleased to inform you that our government has established the Road Safety Initiatives Fund (RSIF), which will provide \$210 million over the next two years for municipalities that are affected by these changes. Below you will find the details of how your municipality can access this funding, which includes funding to support the immediate adoption of these new measures in school zones and community safety zones.

Overview

The **final total RSIF allocation** for each municipality will be determined once the Ministry of Transportation (MTO) has received and verified the required municipal information, as requested in this letter. Based on this verified information, the final total RSIF allocation may be higher or lower.

In early 2026, MTO will launch the official RSIF application process. Eligible municipalities will be required to submit a formal application to request the remaining portion of their final total RSIF allocation for specific, evidence-based initiatives in School Zones and Community Safety Zones where ASE was previously deployed. Applicants will be required to enter into a Transfer Payment Agreement and funding will be provided on a reimbursement basis.

Additional application details, including project eligibility criteria and reporting requirements, will be communicated in early 2026. Please note that as part of the official RSIF application process, municipalities will be required to report how much ASE revenue has been generated and how it has been allocated, with the expectation that it supports road safety related costs.

Municipality-Specific Allocation

I am pleased to advise you that **City of Clarence-Rockland** has been provided **\$118,436** as immediate interim funding.

Recognizing that municipalities may face challenges implementing certain measures prior to Spring 2026, the immediate interim funding is intended to support the following activities at former ASE sites (including sites that were part of a mobile ASE rotation):

- Temporary targeted enforcement resources until more permanent measures, such as traffic-calming or other safety initiatives, are in place.
- Implementation of traffic-calming measures (e.g., speed bumps, raised crosswalks, roundabouts, etc.), where feasible, excluding measures that remove a lane of traffic.
- Signage improvements such as the installation of new warning signage and digital speed feedback displays.

Municipalities must use the immediate interim funding exclusively on the activities listed above. As part of the RSIF application process, municipalities will need to report how the funds were spent or planned to be spent.

All initiatives funded under the RSIF will be required to be completed by March 31, 2028.

Acknowledgement

To receive the immediate interim funding amount outlined above, I am requesting that the municipal treasurer or authorized official for the Municipality **sign the acknowledgement below** and return the signed copy to the Ministry by email, including the additional information requested below as soon as possible, and no later than **December 15, 2025, to RSIF@ontario.ca**.

Information Request

To support verification of your municipality's final total RSIF allocation, MTO is requesting the following information:

- i. Number of fixed ASE cameras installed prior to November 14, 2025
- ii. Number of mobile ASE cameras installed prior to November 14, 2025
- iii. Municipal population (as per latest Census data)

Note: If your municipality was within the 90-day warning period and had not yet begun installing or deploying ASE cameras, please provide the number of ASE cameras (fixed and mobile) that were contracted for initial installation (along with supporting documentation).

For key information related to the repeal of ASE, including payment of outstanding fines and Provincial Offences Officers, please see **Appendix A**.

We appreciate your continued commitment to road safety and your collaboration during this transition. Should you have any questions or require support, please contact Amanda Doobay, Director, Safety Program Development Branch at Amanda.Doobay@ontario.ca.

Sincerely,



Prabmeet Sarkaria
Minister of Transportation

c. Felix Fung, Assistant Deputy Minister, Transportation Safety Division, Ministry of Transportation

encl. Appendix A: Automated Speed Enforcement Repeal

By signing below, I acknowledge that the amount of **\$118,436** provided to the **City of Clarence-Rockland** represents immediate interim funding. This funding is provided to assist with immediate road safety needs, including temporary targeted enforcement resources, traffic-calming measures, and enhanced signage. I further acknowledge that the **City of Clarence-Rockland** will apply for the remaining portion of its total RSIF allocation and is expected to report back to the Province on the use of all funding, as requested.

Name: _____

Title: _____

Signature: _____

Date: _____

