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January 13, 2022

Mr. Mark Becker
Chief Administrative Officer, Deputy Clerk and Treasurer
Township of Ashfield-Colborne-Wawanosh
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Dear Mark Becker:

I want to thank you for your municipality's ongoing assistance to the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing regarding the assessment of damage sustained in your municipality as a result of the tornado on September 7, 2021.

The ministry depends on information from municipalities to support the assessment process and identification of areas that may meet the criteria for activation of the Disaster Recovery Assistance for Ontarians program. Disaster Recovery Assistance for Ontarians does not replace insurance and does not cover all costs. The program is designed to help Ontarians 'get back on their feet' after a natural disaster.

The ministry's assessment process is now complete. No areas were identified in your municipality where there was costly and widespread damage to eligible private property, that would not be covered by insurance. As a result, the ministry will not activate the Disaster Recovery Assistance for Ontarians program.

Please feel to reach out to Tony Brutto, Manager, Local Government and Housing by email at tony.brutto@ontario.ca or by phone at 519-859-6817 if you have any further specific questions regarding eligibility under the Disaster Recovery Assistance for Ontarians program. You can also review the guidelines [here](#).

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Ian Kerr", written over a light blue horizontal line.

Ian Kerr,
Regional Director
Municipal Services Division