

City of Brampton 2021 BUDGET HIGHLIGHTS

SUPPORTING & STRENGTHENING OUR COMMUNITY

Brampton City Council has approved the 2021 Budget with a third consecutive tax freeze and record contributions to City reserves. The 2021 Budget supports the Brampton community through the current pandemic, and continues to strengthen our city for future growth, connectivity and sustainability.



AFFORDABILITY

0% PROPERTY TAX FREEZE*
on the City's portion of the tax bill.

↑ 1% TAX = \$50 AVERAGE PER
HOUSEHOLD

- 0% City of Brampton
- 1% Region of Peel
- 0% School Boards



STABILITY & MAINTENANCE

\$114 M Largest ever ANNUAL CONTRIBUTION
to the CITY RESERVES, strengthening the City's financial position.

The majority of the CONTRIBUTION to reserves will go towards maintaining the CITY'S INFRASTRUCTURE ASSETS and is included in the 0% tax change. This helps keep our buses, City roads and public facilities at sustainable levels.



SERVICE EXCELLENCE & GROWTH

\$767 M OPERATING BUDGET
to maintain service levels

+ \$476 M CAPITAL BUDGET
purchase, major repair & replacement
of assets (i.e. roads, buildings)

\$1.2 B THE TOTAL
2021 BUDGET

*Tax freeze refers to an average 0% per cent change in Brampton's 2021 property taxes

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Capitalizing on financial strength, the City is maintaining existing services, enhancing infrastructure and creating a safer, vibrant city.

HOW

- 1% lower baseline budget to maintain existing services
- Largest annual contribution to reserves in the City of Brampton's history of \$114M
- Solid financial standing with a reaffirmed Triple A credit rating
- \$175M towards third transit maintenance and storage facility to meet future growth
- Fire Community Safety program, timely replacement of fire equipment for a reliable response force, and redevelopment of fire station
- Finalize "Housing Brampton" – City's first Affordable Housing Strategy
- Create opportunities for active living:
 - \$1M per ward to promote healthy community living
 - Accessible baseball diamond through a public and private partnership (Toronto Blue Jays and Peel District School Board)
 - Cricket field enhancements and first full-sized cricket field with lighting
 - Loafer's Lake Community Centre reopening
 - New sports dome at Brampton Soccer Centre, for year-round training access
 - Revitalization of Balmoral Community Centre, Chris Gibson Community Centre, Howden Community Centre, and Victoria Park Indoor Sports Complex
 - Youth Hubs at Century Gardens Recreation Centre and South Fletchers' Sportsplex, for safe and accessible space for youth
- \$250K to support Community Gardens and Backyard Garden Program
- Partner with Region of Peel to renovate and convert Gore Meadows Heritage House into an EarlyON Centre
- Take on non-critical by-law penalty process and reduce burden on Provincial Offences Courts
- Continue active transportation and road safety technologies, including automated speed enforcement
- Launch Supply Chain Diversity program
- Introduce "Book Lockers" pilot project to extend Library services outside of regular operation hours
- Develop a 311 mobile application and portal to enhance citizen experience

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TRANSFORMING OUR COMMUNITY

As the ninth-largest city, investment attraction, talent building and job creation remain crucial for building a resilient economy powered by innovation and sustainability.

HOW

- \$476M capital program to address future needs based on fast-growing population
- Strengthen the Innovation District in downtown Brampton by attracting activity through: Brampton Entrepreneur Centre, Rogers Cybersecure Catalyst, Ryerson Venture Zone, Research Innovation and Commercialization Centre
- \$2.1M towards B-Hive, an incubator initiative, where international entrepreneurs can connect, collaborate and share experiences related to starting their new business in Canada
- \$2.4M towards Algoma University expanding its footprint and course offerings in downtown Brampton
- Launch Phase I of the Pan-Canadian Battery Electric Bus Trial into service to reduce carbon footprint
- \$1.5M over three years towards Environmental Master Plan implementation, to expedite the implementation of climate change, sustainability, and natural heritage priorities
- Plant 50,000 trees as part of the Brampton One Million Trees Program
- Support the construction of Hurontario Light Rail Transit (LRT) project (Phase 1) from Brampton Gateway Terminal to Port Credit GO in partnership with Metrolinx
- Implement renewed service delivery models e.g. for development applications
- \$26.1M over three years as part of City investment with the Riverwalk project, a catalyst for urban growth, public transit and economic development
- Begin projects in Active Transportation Master Plan for connected pedestrian and cycling network
- Develop Sustainable Fleet Strategy

