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BUILDING A BETTER BRAMPTON



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MAYOR'S MESSAGE

Brampton's Path to a More Prosperous, Livable and Sustainable Future

The City of Brampton is pleased to participate in the 2025 AMO conference, joining municipal leaders across Ontario to strengthen our communities and drive shared progress towards a more prosperous, livable and sustainable future.

Brampton is Canada's second fastest-growing big city and is now the third largest in the province. With a population of 800,000 residents and on track to reach one million in the coming years, Brampton is a young, diverse and dynamic city that reflects the future of Ontario. Our talented workforce and thriving business sectors are helping to build stronger communities and secure long-term prosperity.

As we grow, Brampton remains focused on key priorities that require strong collaboration with our provincial partners.

We thank the Government of Ontario for its support of the Hazel McCallion Light Rail Transit (LRT) project including a tunneled section into the downtown. We look forward to continued investment to complete this transformational transit line and seek support for the east-west Queen Street-Highway 7 Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) corridor, continuing with Canada's most ambitious deployment of zero emission electric buses, and expanding GO Transit service with two-way, all-day rail on the Kitchener Line.

Brampton urgently needs our second full-service hospital completed and we are elated to see this project underway. We are also calling on the province to move forward with investments for a dedicated cancer care centre to serve our growing and aging population. These are vital investments in health care infrastructure.

We also welcome continued collaboration with the province in addressing other shared priorities: building more housing, accelerating economic development and innovation, investing in active transportation and climate action, supporting municipal fiscal sustainability and advancing community safety and well-being.

This is our path to a more prosperous, livable and sustainable future for Brampton and for Ontario. We are proud to work alongside our provincial and municipal partners to deliver results for our residents.

Thank you for your continued support. When Brampton wins, we all win.



Patrick Brown
Mayor, City of Brampton

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BRAMPTON'S PATH TO A MORE PROSPEROUS, LIVABLE AND SUSTAINABLE FUTURE

PROSPEROUS

As Canada's second fastest-growing big city and Ontario's third largest, Brampton is committed to delivering high-quality, timely services while maintaining fiscal sustainability for its taxpayers. We are committed to working with all government partners to ensure stable, long-term revenue tools that support our community.

Brampton is proud to contribute to Ontario's economy through its dynamic business ecosystem, and we continue to support local entrepreneurs and established businesses in close collaboration with the province.

We are also committed to addressing Ontario's housing crisis. Brampton stands ready to partner with the Government of Ontario to preserve local planning authority and secure sustainable funding to build the homes our residents need.

LIVABLE

Livable communities enable and promote ease of movement, access to quality housing and economic opportunities for all. Brampton's transit priorities include completion of the tunneled LRT extension to downtown Brampton, the Queen Street-Hwy 7 BRT and electrification of our bus fleet -- the largest zero-emission transit initiative in Canada. Our priority transit projects and mobility plan will further enhance and support the regional transit network, enabling seamless multimodal mobility while fully supporting the future two-way, all-day GO Train service on the Kitchener GO Line.

Our initiatives are focused on creating safer communities where all have access to shelter, food security and high quality of life. Adequate and high-quality health care is critical to a livable and prosperous community; Brampton is encouraged by the continued provincial support and looks forward to working with all partners to address the historical health care funding inequities.

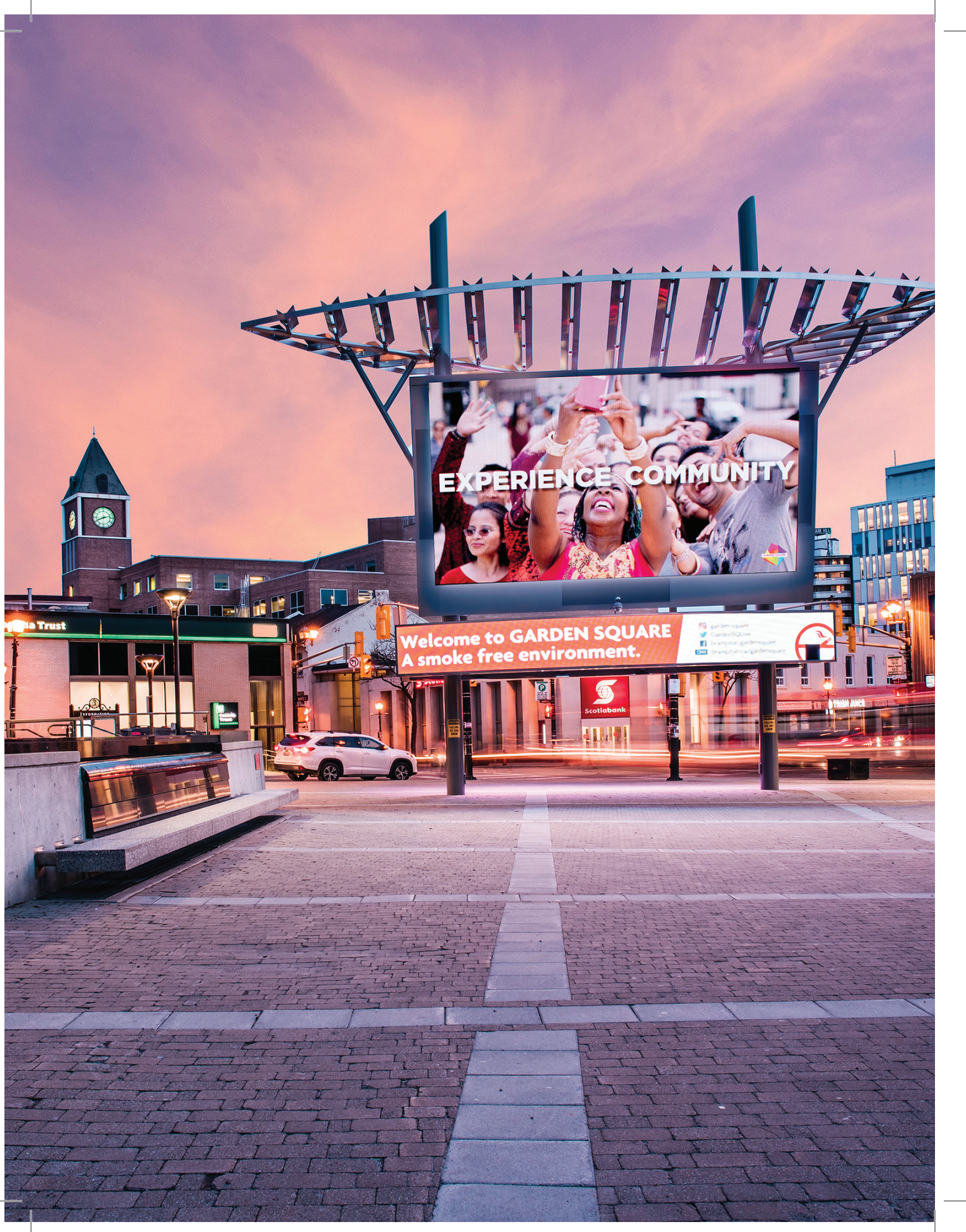
SUSTAINABLE

A sustainable municipality requires a governance model that is efficient and enables timely implementation of priority initiatives. The City has proposed a model to ensure Brampton's governance within the Region of Peel reflects fair and equitable representation, strengthening the City's ability to oversee key services and priorities for residents. In addition, a forward looking, innovative community cannot thrive without a bold and ambitious approach to climate action and sustainability.

We're focused on opportunities through deep energy retrofits, residential programs and education on climate action, while investing in green spaces and nature heritage.

The City actively works with the province and all stakeholders to ensure Brampton's success is sustainable through innovative climate action and mitigation.

This is Brampton's vision for our future, and we are excited to work with our provincial partners towards a more prosperous, livable and sustainable future.



EXPERIENCE COMMUNITY

Welcome to GARDEN SQUARE
A smoke free environment.

garden square
garden square
brampton garden square
brampton garden square





SUMMARY

The City of Brampton welcomes the support and funding provided by the Government of Ontario. As we prepare for the 2026 fiscal year, we are encouraged by the alignment of our shared priorities. We look forward to strengthening our collaboration with provincial partners as we work together toward a more prosperous, livable and sustainable future. Your continued partnership, funding and support are greatly valued.

OUR SHARED FUNDING PRIORITIES

TRANSIT

The City appreciates the province designating the Hazel McCallion Line extension into downtown Brampton as a priority transit project under the Get it Done Act and looks forward to working the province in the planning and design phase and on a project funding agreement.

Hazel McCallion Light Rail Transit (LRT) Completion Investment Needed: \$2.8B*

\$1.4B provincial funding required

\$1.4B federal funding required

Queen Street - Highway 7 BRT Investment Needed: \$1.1B*

\$550M provincial funding required

\$550M federal funding required

**Note: the costs anticipated for these projects are currently under review and will become better known as project planning continues.*

As the busiest transit corridor in Brampton, serving more than 36,000 transit customers per day and with 9 of the 14 MTSAs in the City, development and mobility along the Queen Street corridor is a major component in realizing the city's housing target. The Queen Street-Highway 7 BRT project represents an opportunity for an exciting collaboration between Brampton, the province and the federal government as we work together to transform Brampton's busiest East-West corridor into a vibrant, livable and sustainable community with world-class transit and a range of housing options.

TRANSIT ELECTRIFICATION

Brampton needs the province to commit to transit electrification by establishing funding programs to complement the federal Zero Emission Transit Fund and the Canada Public Transit Fund for municipalities to implement critical electrification projects.

GO TRANSIT

Kitchener Line Two-Way All-Day GO Train Service.

Continue to advance the work and speed up approvals to bring two-way, all-day GO Train service on the Kitchener GO Line.

HOUSING

Beyond Housing – Building Complete Communities

Brampton recognizes the urgency of Ontario’s housing crisis and is committed to doing our part, but housing supply cannot come at the cost of building complete, healthy and livable communities. Our residents deserve neighbourhoods with parks, fire stations, libraries and safe infrastructure - not just rooftops. Recent provincial legislation is eroding municipal autonomy, chipping away at our ability to protect vital employment lands and weakening the financial tools we rely on to build growth-supporting infrastructure. We’re asking the province to partner with us by restoring local planning authority and ensuring sustainable, predictable funding to build the homes Ontario needs in the communities that people deserve.



ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND INNOVATION

The City welcomed the 2025 Ontario Budget announcement of the \$40M Trade-Impacted Communities Program (TICP) as one of the measures to support industries negatively impacted by the U.S. tariffs and related economic uncertainty. The TICP directly aligns with Brampton’s Tariff Response Strategy, helping businesses access new international markets. As the City considers a grant application through the TICP, we request continued collaboration with the province to ensure Brampton continues to grow and contribute to Ontario’s success.

The City calls on the province to support the advanced manufacturing sector by establishing a dedicated funding stream to support: affected businesses, strategic investment opportunities,

operational support, employment, research and development, encourage innovation, enhance global competitiveness and encourage businesses to transition to local sourcing and reduce dependency on international supply chain.

We request the province work with the City through Phase II of Ontario's Life Sciences Strategy to secure Brampton's role as a key player in the province's innovation ecosystem.

The City of Brampton requests continued collaboration with the federal and provincial government to align immigration policies with local labour markets and economic development priorities. We urge all levels of government to work closely with municipalities to ensure immigration pathways respond to regional workforce demands, particularly in high-growth sectors. This includes enhancing support for foreign credential recognition, streamlining pathways for internationally trained professionals and investing in settlement services that accelerate labour market integration. A coordinated approach will ensure that immigration continues to fuel inclusive economic growth and address critical talent shortages.

The success of Brampton's Innovation District is driven by the provincial funding available to the partner organizations and it is critical these funding streams continue and become more robust to drive economic growth and job creation through innovation. The Business Acceleration Program funded by Ontario is essential and must be enhanced along with the numerous programs offered by the Ontario Centre of Innovation funded by the Ministry of Economic Development, Job Creation and Trade. Additionally, the **Brampton Next program** has played a critical role in delivering tailored business planning, market readiness and settlement services to newcomers and international entrepreneurs. We urge the province to continue investing in this high-impact initiative, which directly supports the growth of Brampton's Innovation District and contributes to Ontario's broader economic development and talent attraction goals.

We thank the provincial government for its continued support to activate the Brampton Innovation District and look forward to even greater collaboration for a prosperous, innovative and sustainable economy.

MOBILITY

A new type of 'bicycle crossover' provides people on bikes the right-of-way over vehicles when crossing low volume roads, like the new type of pedestrian crossover introduced in 2016 through HTA Regulation ON. 402/15.

Reintroduce a funding stream like the Ontario Municipal Commuter Cycling Program to implement active transportation infrastructure and programs as part of the province's #CycleON Cycling Strategy.



CLIMATE ACTION

Brampton looks to partner with the provincial government to make the necessary investments and policy changes to support a healthy and resilient environment, economy and community.

The City requests the provincial government to provide funding to the Centre for Community Energy Transformation (CCET).

Facilitating energy efficiency and greenhouse gas (GHG) reduction, as well as long-term reductions to operational costs of homes and buildings requires:

- Strengthening the Ontario Building Code to increase minimum energy efficiency requirements for new and existing buildings;
- Training and capacity building for local governments, trades, industry, and other stakeholders to support the transition to net zero homes and buildings;
- Providing funding for local residential energy retrofit programs; and,
- Offering financial incentives for the development of Low Carbon District Energy Systems in urban centres, mobility hubs, employment areas and intensification corridors.

To ensure Brampton is resilient to future climate change impacts, the City requests funding to support implementation of its first Climate Change Adaptation Plan.

The City is actively exploring opportunities to further advance our plans for the deployment of electric vehicles and infrastructure as part of innovative and sustainable Brampton Fire and Emergency Services.

Brampton Eco Park represents the City's vision for a network of climate-resilient green spaces that conserve and restore natural systems, support biodiversity, manage stormwater and enhance quality of life. This vision is being realized through several large-scale projects, including the Eastbourne Park Eco Space Retrofit, the Etobicoke Creek Wetland Enhancement Project, and the design of Brampton's first Environmental Education Centre in the Credit River Valley. Provincial support is needed to advance this work and ensure Brampton's green infrastructure and natural assets are prepared for the impacts of climate change.

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The City seeks support to improve stormwater management, protect our waterways and ensure these systems are prepared for climate change through:

- Updating provincial guidelines for stormwater management to enhance quality and quantity control requirements; and,
- Providing financial support for programs focused on gray and green infrastructure improvements, such as Brampton's Stormwater Retrofit Program.





MUNICIPAL FISCAL SUSTAINABILITY

The City provided a formal submission as part of the public consultation on changes proposed in Bill 17. Brampton and other municipalities are partners in delivering housing, but municipal fiscal sustainability is critical to support and enable development. Without alternative revenue sources from the province, tax rates will increase, and key approved projects will be deferred or cancelled. A balanced approach that provides local autonomy in planning, zoning and development financing, while expediting and incentivizing housing is the right path forward, not just for Brampton, but for Ontario.

The City of Brampton requests the government work with AMO and municipalities to establish an adequate and sustained funding model for local government that supports long term municipal fiscal sustainability. Together we can empower local communities to play a leadership role in ensuring our cities drive growth and walk the path towards a more prosperous, livable and sustainable future.

The City of Brampton requests the provincial government double the Heads and Beds levy to ensure additional funding is available to provide municipal services for international students.

The City supports and endorses AMO's recommendations to the province to address the growing municipal liability and insurance costs, aiming to align municipal liability with the proportionate responsibility for incidents and cap awards.

HEALTH CARE

The City is grateful for the Government of Ontario's commitment to Brampton's second hospital, marked by a significant milestone in March 2025 with the groundbreaking at Peel Memorial, as well as for its support in expanding life-saving cancer services at Osler's Brampton Civic Hospital. We request for a continued support from the Ontario Government to bring Brampton's new second hospital to life for the community.

To service our rapidly growing population, Brampton will need a minimum of 660 new hospital beds. The City requests the province consider providing a planning grant for a third hospital in Brampton.

Building on provincial investments in Brampton's health care:

- Equitable and appropriate hospital and health care investments to address historic underfunding and to meet the needs of Brampton's rapidly growing population.
- Ensure adequate funding for the primary clinical partnership between Osler and the TMU School of Medicine in Brampton.
- Advance plans and approvals for a comprehensive Cancer Care Centre at Brampton Civic Hospital.
- Consider and provide a planning grant for a third hospital in Brampton.

COMMUNITY SAFETY AND WELL-BEING

The City urges the provincial government to adapt existing policies to allow for increased system capacity and collaborate with municipalities on co-designing improvements for newcomer youth and international students' mental wellness.

The City of Brampton continues to call on all levels of government to work with universities and colleges to create more student housing options for students to meet the current and forecasted demand.

The City requests the provincial government to provide our community with a commitment of new funding to support transitional housing dedicated to female victims and their children of domestic violence.

We also continue to urge the creation of provincial legislation to address family violence and requesting that intimate partner violence be formally declared an epidemic in Ontario.

Brampton requests the province make additional funding available through the existing homelessness prevention programs and grant lower tier municipalities access to directly apply for funding that would help address the growing issue of encampments in the Ontario communities.

The City of Brampton requests provincial support with local costs and efforts to react to the rapid increase in homelessness and encampments in Brampton.

The City of Brampton requests a fair, new deal for Brampton that reflects an equitable share of provincial investment in municipal and social services.

The City requests that the province commit to meaningful consultation with municipalities prior to enacting any regulatory or operational changes to the Automated Speed Enforcement program.



REGIONAL GOVERNANCE REVIEW

Careful consideration and clarity are required to ensure a smooth and effective transition of services and responsibilities under the Peel Transition Implementation Act, 2025.

The City requests that all aspects of transfer of authority over regional roads and associated stormwater infrastructure and waste collection from the Region of Peel to the three lower-tier municipalities of Mississauga, Brampton and Caledon be facilitated by the Office of the Provincial Land and Development Facilitator (OPLDF) to establish an adequate process.

Brampton is asking that the province initiate legislative changes to create fair and equal representation at the Region of Peel Council. This will be a significant step towards empowering the regional economy to meet the current and future needs of population and employment growth.



TRANSIT

Local Initiatives

Queen Street - Hwy 7 BRT

Regional Impacts

Transit Electrification

Hurontario LRT Extension

GO Train Service

ACTUAL
RIDERSHIP
FOR 2024
APPROX. 40% HIGHER
THAN PRE-COVID

43.6M



533
BUSES

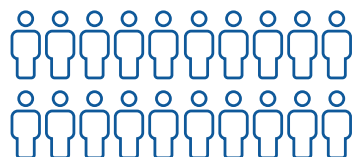
2,730
BUS STOPS



1,030
BUS SHELTERS
& ZUM STATION STOPS



1.5M
SERVICE
HOURS



1,501
FULL-TIME
POSITIONS



3
TRANSIT
TERMINALS



2
MAINTENANCE
& STORAGE
FACILITIES

BUILDING A CONNECTED COMMUNITY

The City of Brampton is the second fastest growing of Canada's 10 largest cities. To address this rapid growth, we are creating a modern, integrated transit system by enhancing regional transit connections, increasing connectivity to transit infrastructure, offering sustainable transportation alternatives and implementing advanced and environmentally friendly technologies. Our path to a more prosperous, livable and sustainable future for Brampton includes building a modern and connected transit system. We are proud to work alongside our provincial and federal partners to deliver transit services that enable seamless and efficient travel across the city and the region.

Brampton Transit is the fastest growing big city transit system in Canada, with ridership significantly outpacing population growth. During the decade leading up to the COVID-19 pandemic (2009-2019), Brampton's ridership grew by 160%, with a 38% increase in the three years (2016-2019) leading up to the pandemic. This ridership growth was unprecedented compared to the average increase in Ontario of 2.3% and the national average increase of 6.9% over the same three-year period (as per the Canadian Urban Transit Association).

Brampton Transit was also the first transit system in the country to not only fully recover but also exceed its pre-pandemic ridership levels. As of December 2024, Brampton's annual ridership is approximately 40% higher than pre-COVID levels.





With Brampton becoming the third largest city in Ontario and the seventh largest in Canada, fair and adequate funding for public transit will contribute to vital infrastructure in our community and help build complete and connected neighbourhoods, while supporting economic recovery. It is critical that allocation-based funding formulas account for ridership and population growth in rapidly growing municipalities, like Brampton, to reflect and help address growth-driven pressures on services and infrastructure needs.

While Brampton has received some funding in the past, it has not received the same level of funding as other municipalities. Refer to the chart below for details.



RIDERSHIP GROWTH & RECOVERY

160% ↑ Overall Ridership
2009-2019

38% ↑ Pre-COVID Ridership
2016-2019

40%+ ↑ Ridership Rebound
increase from pre-COVID levels

FUNDING OVERVIEW

Investing in Canada Infrastructure Program (ICIP) Funding Comparison			
Municipality	Population (2024)*	Ridership (2023)*	ICIP Funding (based on 2015 ridership*)
Mississauga	780,747	39.2M	\$621M
London	488,460	18.4M	\$376M
Hamilton	632,111	19.1M	\$375M
York Region	1,258,000**	21.5M	\$373M
Brampton	791,486**	40.9M	\$351M

* All ridership and population data is based on the Canadian Urban Transit Association (CUTA) Fact Book.

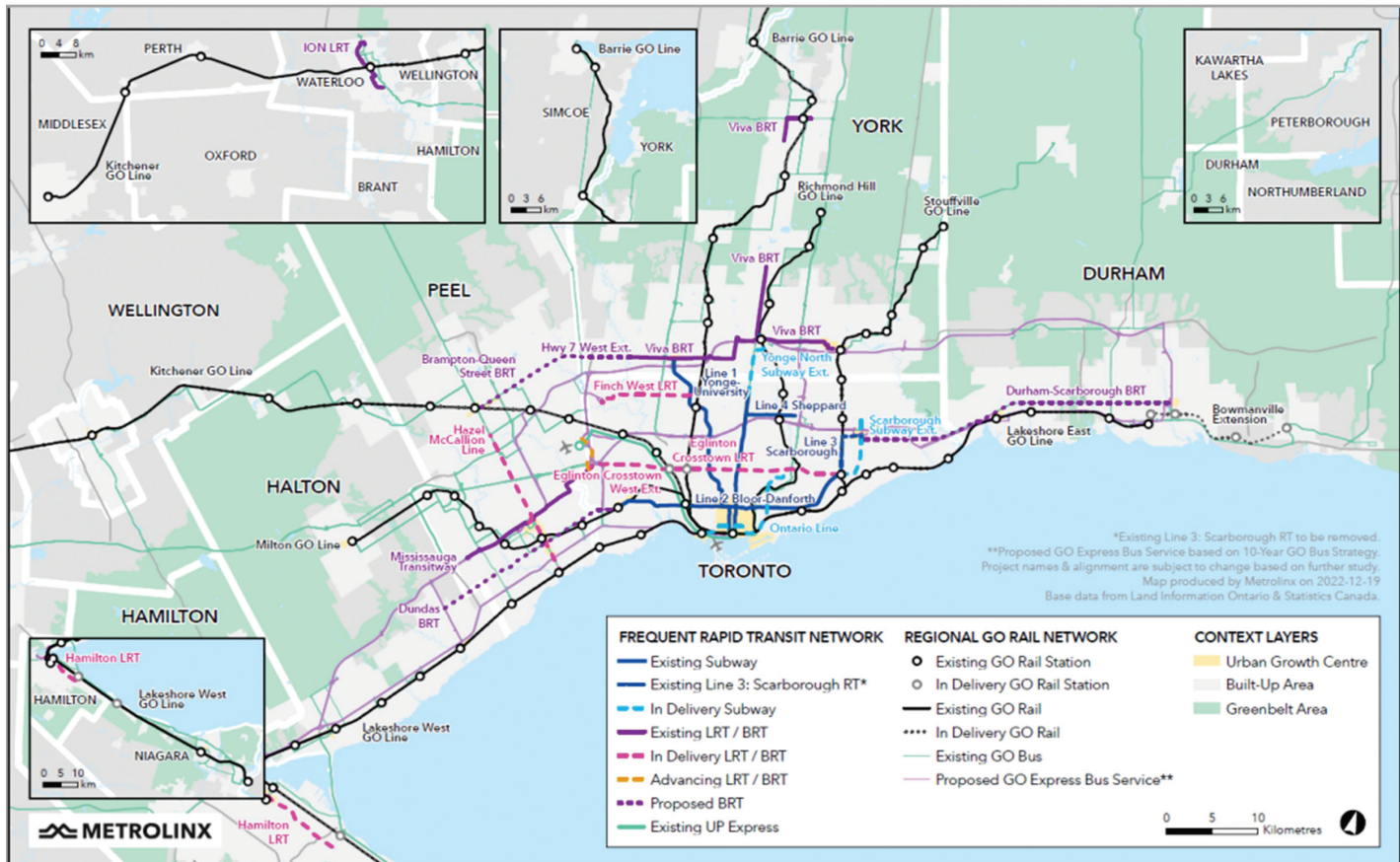
**Per Statistics Canada, York Region's 2023 population was approximately 1.2M



BUILDING BRAMPTON, ENHANCING REGIONAL CONNECTIONS

A renewed provincial investment in key infrastructure for our rapidly growing community will ensure Brampton's success and continued contribution to the provincial economy.

The Hazel McCallion LRT and Queen Street-Hwy 7 BRT are crucial components of Metrolinx's Frequent Rapid Transit Network that will ensure connectivity between major public, corporate and institutional investments in our region.



COMPLETION OF THE HAZEL MCCALLION LINE

The recent commitment by the provincial government to fund the completion of the tunnelled LRT extension brings together all three levels of government to advance this critical project. The City is grateful for the provincial commitment to move forward with work to extend the LRT into downtown Brampton and plans to tunnel a portion of the Brampton segment. This is a game-changer for Brampton and the City appreciates the provincial funding commitment. The City is grateful to have all senior levels of government collaborate on this significant infrastructure project. Together we are transforming Brampton and setting our residents on a path to new opportunities and sustainable growth.



HOUSING IMPACTS

32,256

NEW RESIDENTIAL UNITS

based on data within a 500m radius along the LRT
Hurontario Street Corridor -

CURRENTLY 19,366 PROPOSED RESIDENTIAL UNITS,

plus the projected growth in Downtown Brampton -
northern part of LRT extension - with approximately

12,890 UNITS OVER THE NEXT 10 YEARS



GHG EMISSIONS REDUCTION

UP
TO **2,936 tonnes**

OF GHG EMISSIONS REDUCTION ANNUALLY

*FOR THE YEARS 2030-2050

WORKING TOGETHER

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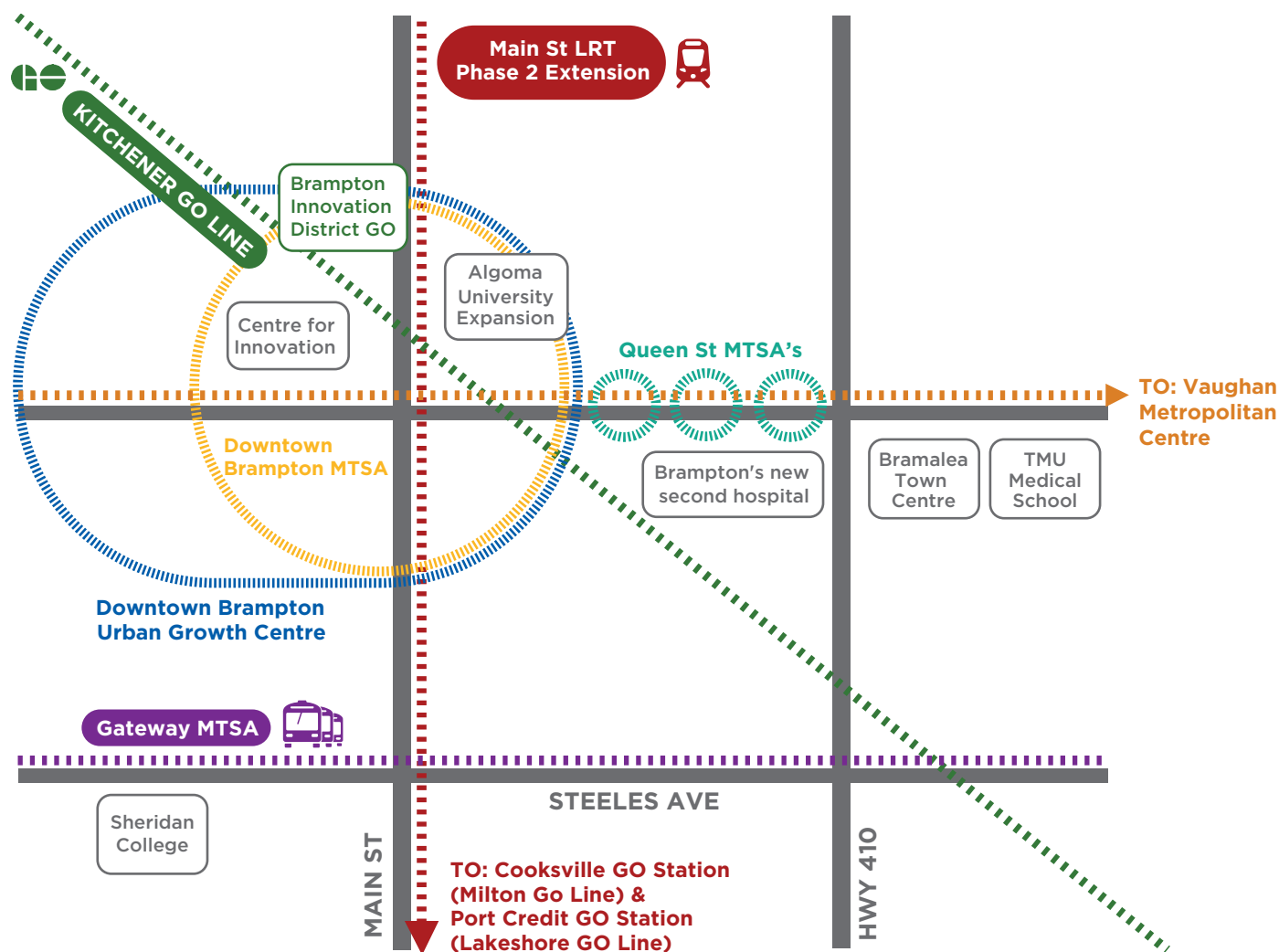
FUNDING REQUEST

Extension Investment Needed: \$2.8B

\$1.4B - Provincial funding required

\$1.4B - Federal funding required

The City also requests that the province cover the operating costs for the Hazel McCallion LRT (HMLRT) for at least the first three years of its operation.



TRANSIT PROJECT ASSESSMENT PROCESS

The City also continues to support Metrolinx in the design and construction of the Hazel McCallion Line and will replace the existing Züm service along Hurontario, south of Steeles.

We thank the provincial government for their collaboration with the City to complete the Hazel McCallion Line in Brampton and look forward to advancing this critical project.

QUEEN STREET – HIGHWAY 7 BUS RAPID TRANSIT (BRT)

Queen Street is the busiest transit corridor in Brampton, serving more than 36,000 transit customers per day on Züm and local routes and providing connections to York Region, the TTC subway system, as well as major north-south transit routes.

The Queen Street-Highway 7 BRT project will improve connections between the Downtown Brampton Urban Growth Centre, the Bramalea City Centre area, the Urban Growth Centre at Vaughan Metropolitan Centre, as well as the large concentrations of employment in East Brampton and Vaughan.

WHY BRT ON QUEEN?

- **Highest growth corridor in Brampton**
- **More than 36,000 transit customers per day**
- **9 of the 14 MTSAs in the city are along the Queen St corridor**
- **50% population growth anticipated in the next 25 years**
- **168% ridership growth in the 10 years prior to the pandemic (2009-2019)**

The Queen Street BRT represents a major opportunity to introduce the next level of transit service along a corridor in Brampton that will see significant population growth and development.

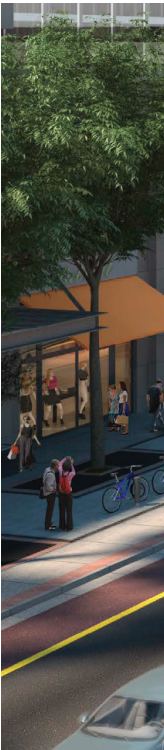
FUNDING REQUEST

Queen Street—Highway 7 BRT Investment needed: \$1.1B*

\$550M – Federal funding required

\$550M – Provincial funding required

*Total costs anticipated for these projects are currently under review and will become better known as Metrolinx finalizes this stage of the project.





THE QUEEN STREET CORRIDOR

The Queen Street corridor is expected to see 50% population growth in the next 25 years. This is on top of an increase of 168% in transit ridership growth in the 10 years prior to the pandemic (2009-2019). Transit demand will continue to increase as the Queen Street Corridor is planned to attract significant growth through revitalization and intensification that will continue transforming the area into a transit and pedestrian-oriented district.

The Queen Street BRT will help foster intensification along nine Major Transit Station Areas (MTSAs) and will connect several residential, employment, community and recreational destinations within Brampton and York Region.

The BRT will also help achieve the City of Brampton's 2040 Vision of integrated transportation choices and new modes, sustainability, and an emphasis on walking, cycling and transit by adding a higher level of transit service tightly linked to the regional transit network.

WORKING TOGETHER

As the busiest transit corridor in Brampton, serving more than 36,000 transit customers per day and with 9 of the 14 MTSAs in the City, development and mobility along the Queen Street corridor is a major component in realizing the City's housing target. The Queen Street-Highway 7 BRT project represents an opportunity for an exciting collaboration between Brampton, the province, and the federal government as we work together to transform Brampton's busiest East-West corridor into a vibrant, livable and sustainable community with world-class transit and a range of housing options.

TRANSIT INVESTMENTS COMPARISON TABLE

GTHA Rapid Transit Projects	Municipal Population (2021 Census)	Total Cost of Project(s)	Provincial Funding	Federal Funding	Provincial & Federal Funding per Capita	Ten Year Change in Ridership (2015 to 2024)	Fifteen Year Change in Ridership (2010 to 2024)
City of Toronto* <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Scarborough Subway Extension • Ontario Line • Finch West LRT • Eglinton Crosstown 	3,273,119	\$39.8B	\$31.32B	\$8.48B	\$12,160	-22%	-12%
City of Hamilton Hamilton LRT	632,111	\$3.4B	\$1.7B	\$1.7B	\$5,380	0%	+3%
City of Brampton <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Brampton LRT Extension (Tunnel) • Queen St-Highway 7 BRT 	791,486	\$3.9B	\$1.95B	\$1.95B	\$4,940	+106%	+215%

Notes: *City of Toronto projects does not include Yonge Subway Extension as it is primarily a York Region Project.

■ funding received

■ funding requested

CURRENT & ANTICIPATED GROWTH

Data was collected to identify the number of residential as well as Industrial, Commercial, and Institutional (ICI) developments located within a 500m radius* along Queen Street (from Mississauga Rd to Highway 50). Please note, these housing numbers are estimates.

* A 500m radius represents about a 5-7 min walk

Table 1: Existing and Anticipated Growth along the Queen St. Corridor

Development	Existing	Proposed	Total
Residential	18,305 units	32,000 units	48,305 units
	65,898 residents	116,000 residents	181,898 residents
Industrial, Commercial, Institutional	2,133 units	8,460,574 sq ft	2,133 units
			8,460,574 sq ft

MAJOR PROJECTS ALONG THE QUEEN STREET CORRIDOR

In addition to the existing and proposed development activity captured in the table above, there are several additional projects and initiatives underway in downtown along the Queen Street Corridor, which further support demand for BRT and directly complement the development and the planned Hazel McCallion Line LRT extension in the downtown core.

TORONTO METROPOLITAN UNIVERSITY (TMU) MEDICAL SCHOOL

Brampton Civic Centre will welcome a new 250,000 square foot development as the future site of TMU's proposed School of Medicine to accommodate classrooms, offices, research facilities and an integrated health clinic.

This site was chosen for its accessibility to public transit.

TMU is also co-chairing the Medtech Task Force, supporting the City's strategic vision of linking the innovation district and startups to the medical school and further elevation of innovation and solutions in the Medtech industry.

BUILDING BRAMPTON'S SECOND HOSPITAL

Once built, Brampton's second hospital will include a new 11-storey wing to accommodate up to 350 inpatient care beds and a wide range of services.

The new 760,000 square foot facility will be a detached complex with connecting links to the existing centre.

The proposed Centre for Innovation, Toronto Metropolitan University's Medical School, Riverwalk project and building Brampton's second hospital are all anticipated to spark significant growth and investment along the Queen Street corridor through development of new housing and employment opportunities, creation of academic opportunities and increased access to medical services and recreational spaces.

Approximately 8.5 million sq ft of Industrial, Commercial and Institutional (ICI) development in the pipeline.

The Queen Street corridor will be a place where Brampton residents can live, work and play. Without improved transportation options, the livability and economic development of the corridor will be significantly constrained.

The BRT along Queen Street will maximize private, institutional and government investment along this corridor and enable smooth and efficient movement of people to facilitate business and entrepreneurial activity.

THE BIG PICTURE

Investment in higher-order transit, including the Hazel McCallion Line and Queen Street BRT, as well as the electrification of our transit system, will ensure Brampton continues to grow and attract well-paying jobs, while enabling new growth and development to help meet the provincial policy priorities. The Hazel McCallion LRT, Queen St - Highway 7 BRT, third transit facility and electrification directly support housing targets. The City of Brampton will need provincial support and funding to make these projects a reality.

The Hazel McCallion LRT and Queen Street-Hwy 7 BRT are crucial components of Brampton's transit network that will ensure connectivity between major public, corporate and institutional investments in our city.



DOWNTOWN BRAMPTON HOUSING STARTS POTENTIAL*

12,890

NEW RESIDENTIAL UNITS

(approval process in the broader downtown area by 2031 - SPA designation removal required)



1,227

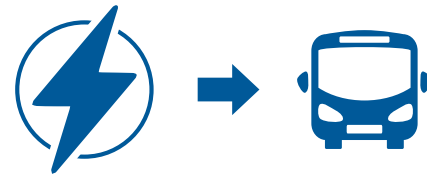
**RESIDENTIAL UNITS CURRENTLY PROPOSED
IN THE RIVERWALK STUDY AREA**

*Subject to removal of the provincial Special Policy Area designation.

TRANSIT ELECTRIFICATION

The City of Brampton is committed to transit electrification. We look forward to working with the province to identify new opportunities and even greater collaboration as Brampton leads on the path to a more prosperous, livable and sustainable future.

The electrification of transit is a critical milestone in Brampton's journey to reduce greenhouse gas emissions (GHGs) generated by 80 per cent of 2016 levels by 2050. The implementation of up to 450 Zero Emission Buses (ZEBs) is estimated to save up to 115 tonnes of carbon emissions per bus, per year, totaling approximately 53,000 tonnes annually. This is equivalent to removing approximately 12,000 passenger vehicles from the road.



ELECTRIFICATION OF BRAMPTON'S TRANSIT REDUCING GREENHOUSE GAS EMISSIONS

80% ↓
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(115 tonnes of carbon emissions
per bus per year)

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In June 2025, the City announced a landmark \$4 billion partnership with Zenobē, a global fleet electrification and battery storage specialist headquartered in London, UK, to fully electrify Brampton Transit's bus fleet — the largest zero-emission transit initiative in Canada and an example of Brampton's leadership in moving closer to a more livable and sustainable future.

The agreement will launch the first phase of a 10-year electrification framework that will ultimately see Brampton's entire diesel-powered bus fleet replaced with up to 1,000 battery electric buses (BEBs), supporting more than 40 million annual passenger trips. Once complete, the program is expected to eliminate most transit-related greenhouse gas emissions; which currently account for approximately 70% of the City's corporate GHG emissions.

The City of Brampton is constructing a third transit facility because transit cannot accommodate future growth in its two existing facilities. Brampton's recovery from the pandemic and continued ridership growth has further demonstrated the urgent need for this facility.

The City has successfully secured \$175M of funding through the Investing in Canada Infrastructure Program (ICIP) towards the base (non-electrified) phase one of the facility's construction.

The City is working with senior levels of government to obtain \$150M required to electrify this new facility for Brampton Transit to accommodate additional electric buses. Brampton is also pursuing capital funding, through the Zero Emission Transit Fund (ZETF), to support the electrification retrofit of its existing two transit facilities and the purchase of electric buses.

In parallel, the City is also continuing to advocate for provincial funding support towards these critical projects, as well as pursuing an Energy-as-a-Service partnership to transition our fleet and facilities.

FUNDING REQUEST

The City of Brampton is committed to transit electrification. To deliver on the City's ambitious transit electrification goals, Brampton needs the province to commit to transit electrification by establishing funding programs to complement the federal Zero Emission Transit Fund, for municipalities to implement critical electrification projects.



INVESTMENT IN BRAMPTON TRANSIT SUPPORTS

GROWTH - 113,000

NEW RESIDENTIAL UNITS

(Brampton's provincial housing pledge)

SUSTAINABILITY - 55,936

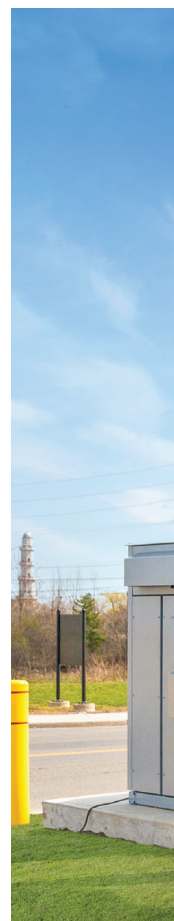
TONNES OF GHG REDUCTION ANNUALLY

(Electrification = 50,000, LRT Extension = 2,936)

INNOVATION - 450+

ZERO EMISSION BUSES

(ZEBS - when fleet fully electrified)





KITCHENER GO TRAIN LINE

With the fastest-growing transit system in Canada, with ridership significantly outpacing population growth, Brampton is focused on the next level of transit service and seamless integration with the regional transit network, including GO Transit.

The City continues to advocate for a two-way, all-day GO train service on the Kitchener Line. We recognize that progress is already underway to get our residents where they need to go better, faster, and easier through two-way, all-day rail service. Together with major transit project in the City, two-way, all-day GO Train service on the Kitchener GO Line will transform the mobility along the corridor, while enabling sustainable livable growth.

In April 2023, the City of Brampton welcomed the introduction of hourly weekend service to Mount Pleasant GO Station and 30-minute weekday midday and evening service between Bramalea and Union Station. The Kitchener Go Corridor ridership now exceeds the pre-COVID levels, and these important service improvements get us closer to the goal of connecting Brampton with Toronto and the rest of GTA (Greater Toronto Area).

FUNDING & COLLABORATION REQUEST

Continue to advance the work and speed up approvals to bring two-way, all-day GO Train service on the Kitchener GO Line.

MOBILITY

The City of Brampton is growing from a suburban to urban city and Brampton's population is expected to reach approximately 1 million residents by 2051. To keep goods and people moving in a way that is safe, sustainable, and equitable, the City's upcoming Brampton Mobility Plan (BMP) is recommending a network of complete streets that prioritize sustainable modes and a network of higher order transit corridors across the city. To support future growth and achieve the City and province's shared goal of building housing, the Brampton Mobility Plan calls on the province to remove barriers to active transportation at 400-series highway interchanges, provide funding for Higher Order Transit, and modernize Ontario's Graduated Licensing System to include education on vulnerable road users. The City's comprehensive approach to improved, multimodal and seamless mobility is part of our drive towards building a more prosperous, livable and sustainable communities.

ACTIVE TRANSPORTATION

Building on Brampton's commitment to sustainability, the City is equalizing all forms of transportation and is focused on enhancing and expanding active transportation infrastructure. Since endorsing its first Active Transportation Master Plan in 2019, the City has added 83 kms of new cycling infrastructure and currently boasts a network of over 600 kms of bike lanes, multi-use paths, and recreational trails. The City's proposed active transportation network has been costed at a value of approximately \$126.6M in 2019 and in the next 18 months will be reassessed through an update to the Active Transportation Master Plan that will bring forward recommendations coming from the Brampton Mobility Plan and an approach based on Complete Streets, Equity and Public Engagement.

The Brampton Mobility Plan recommends addressing major barriers to Active Transportation including the need for enhancements at all 400-series highway interchanges along Highway 410 and Highway 407 in Brampton, as well as the future Highway 413.

VISION ZERO ROAD SAFETY

In 2019, the City adopted the Vision Zero framework to reduce fatalities and serious injuries on its roads. Brampton has since incorporated a variety of initiatives that work together to improve safety of pedestrians, cyclists, and drivers including traffic calming and automated speed enforcement. The Brampton Mobility Plan calls on the province to modernize Ontario's Graduated Licensing System by enhancing driver education to include comprehensive training on safely interacting with pedestrians, cyclists, micromobility users, and other vulnerable road users.

E-SCOOTER PILOT

The City of Brampton, in partnership with Neuron Mobility, Bird Canada and Scooty Mobility, has launched the GTA's first-ever shared e-scooter program.

Since its launch, the shared E-scooter Program has introduced up to 900 scooters for public use across the City of Brampton. The e-scooter program has reached around 350,000 trips to date, with 40% of users reporting using e-scooters mostly to connect to public transit. Specifically, the 2024 season has had approximately 150,000 trips and over 66,000 riders.





To support the use of e-scooters in Brampton, the City continue to prioritize the creation of a connected active transportation network. 2024 data shows that e-scooter riders make frequent use of current cycling infrastructure, with 17 per cent of total rides taking place on five roads with bike lanes alone and 60 per cent of trips starting or ending within 500 metres of the same corridors. Additions to the cycling network create safer and more accessible routes, reduce the potential for conflict with motor vehicles and encourage the use of micromobility options.

Active transportation and micromobility present one of the greatest untapped opportunities for reducing single occupant vehicle trips, and for addressing a host of community design and public health issues. The e-scooter program is one way the City of Brampton is working to capitalize on the construction of a comprehensive Active Transportation Network.

FUNDING & COLLABORATION REQUEST

A new type of ‘bicycle crossover’ provides people on bikes the right-of-way over vehicles when crossing low volume roads – like the new type of pedestrian crossover introduced in 2016 through HTA Regulation ON. 402/15.

Re-introduce a funding stream like the Ontario Municipal Commuter Cycling Program to implement active transportation infrastructure and programs as part of the province’s #CycleON Cycling Strategy.

HOUSING

The City of Brampton is the second fastest growing of Canada's 10 largest cities and represents 90% of the net population growth within the Region of Peel between 2016 and 2021, according to Statistics Canada. Brampton is committed to working with our provincial partners to address the current housing crisis and advance our city on the path to a more prosperous, livable and sustainable future. By working together, we can set our residents for success and ensure we build complete, livable communities.

Brampton's population is forecasted to reach 1 million residents in the coming years.

To support this unprecedented population and household growth, the City recognizes its significant role in ensuring we create complete communities across the city. A significant increase in the City's rate of population growth will require:

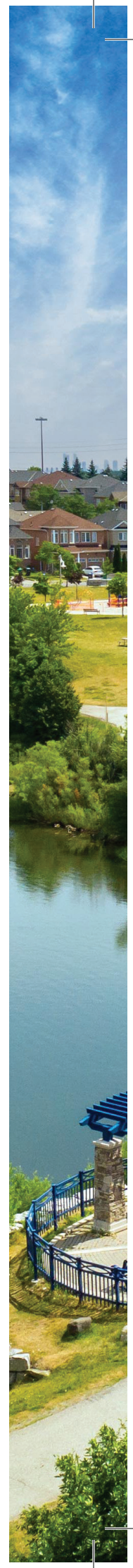
- A full range of jobs and employment opportunities to support the economic growth and development of Brampton.
- A full mix and range of affordable, rental, and supportive housing options.
- Emergency services, community services, libraries, places of worship.
- Open space, parks, and a connected natural heritage system.
- Cultural heritage and public art.
- Increased transit connectivity.

Housing Brampton is the City's official housing strategy and action plan, adopted in 2021 to accelerate the delivery of diverse, affordable, and transit-oriented housing. It focuses on zoning reforms to enable multi-unit and missing-middle housing, financial incentives for purpose-built rental and affordable ownership, and aligning infrastructure planning with growth areas. The strategy supports Brampton's goal of building 113,000 new homes by 2031 and underpins major funding agreements like the Housing Accelerator Fund and Ontario's Building Faster Fund.

The City is a committed federal and provincial partner and thanks both levels of government for their housing-related funding contributions which are supporting the creation of housing units, the development of housing-enabling infrastructure and policy development to encourage and incentivize a range and mix of housing.

WORKING TOGETHER

The City welcomed the recent provincial announcement of an increase in housing-enabling infrastructure funding by adding \$400 million in immediate funding to the Housing-Enabling Water Systems Fund (HEWSF) and Municipal Housing Infrastructure Fund (MHIP). The City appreciates the \$19.9 million in funding received through a successful application under the Housing-Enabling Core Servicing (HECS) stream. The City also submitted an application in partnership with the Toronto Region Conservation Authority through the MHIP's Health & Safety Water Stream Fund.





HOUSING ACCELERATOR FUND

The City has partnered with the federal government through the Housing Accelerator Fund (HAF) to fast-track the construction of more than 3,150 residential units over the next three years and the development of more than 24,000 homes over the next decade. Funding from HAF will support the City in advancing significant work to catalyze growth and development in Brampton and the financial support from the federal government will be utilized to drive transformational change and create the conditions necessary for the right mix and range of housing supply in the city over the short and long-term.

HAF Initiatives

1. Incentive Programs
2. Implementing Inclusionary Zoning
3. Unlocking Growth Potential via Rapid Transit
4. Revised Parking Standards
5. Encouraging Detached Additional Residential Units
6. Encouraging Missing Middle Units in Existing Neighbourhoods
7. Pre-Zoning in Strategic Growth Areas
8. Infrastructure and Servicing Capacity Planning

BUILD FASTER FUND

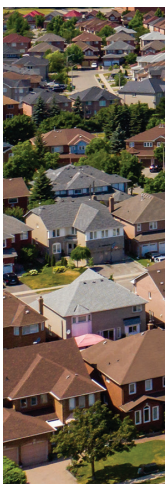
Utilizing provincial support through the Build Faster Fund (BFF), the City will be supporting two types of actions – the direct creation of new affordable housing units, and the funding of housing-enabling infrastructure and site services to support housing development.

BFF Initiatives:

1. Affordable Housing Incentives: The City-Wide Community Improvement Program (CIP) for Affordable Housing will focus on incentivizing affordable purpose-built rental and affordable ownership housing to support the development of affordable housing in Brampton. Applications for the CIP launched in January 2025.
2. Infrastructure Investment: Design and construction of the Downtown Brampton Flood Protection Project (DBFP), also known as “Riverwalk” is the catalyst enabling infrastructure project that allows Brampton to intensify in the downtown area by eliminating flood risk. Upon completion this infrastructure project will directly support the creation of up to 12,900 housing units downtown. Funds from the BFF will be utilized to pay for land acquisition necessary to implement the project.

WORKING TOGETHER

In 2024, the province provided Brampton with over \$25.5 million in funding through the Building Faster Fund as the city has made substantial progress towards meeting its 2023 housing target. Brampton broke ground on a total of 7,028 new housing units in 2023. Brampton is a committed partner in addressing the housing affordability crisis, while calling for stable and predictable funding from higher orders of government towards critical and housing-enabling infrastructure.



BEYOND HOUSING – ENABLING MUNICIPALITIES TO CREATE COMPLETE COMMUNITIES

While the City of Brampton remains a committed partner in addressing Ontario’s housing crisis, it is increasingly concerned with the growing emphasis on a “housing at all costs” policy direction.

This singular focus risks undermining key planning principles by dismantling long-standing protections for employment lands, eroding local decision-making authority and disregarding the distinct development contexts of municipalities.

Applying uniform provincial solutions across all cities fails to recognize the diverse challenges and opportunities facing rapidly growing communities like Brampton. A more balanced, locally responsive approach is essential to ensuring that housing supply objectives are met without compromising economic growth, community character, or the City’s long-term planning vision.

WORKING TOGETHER

The City appreciates the provincial investment of \$29.8 million through the Housing Enabling Water Systems Fund aimed at supporting the development of 12,900 housing units and enhancing infrastructure in the city. The funding will support the Riverwalk project that will reduce flood threats and flood related disasters for the downtown Brampton core, unlock much-needed new housing supply and attract new investments. This catalytic initiative aims to transform downtown Brampton into a year-round tourist destination that connects the city with the river system. The project aligns well with provincial policy priorities, addressing the need to increase housing supply and improve housing attainability in our communities.

BILL 17, PROTECT ONTARIO BY BUILDING FASTER AND SMARTER ACT, 2025

The City of Brampton supports the Province of Ontario’s objective to increase housing supply and accelerate approvals. However, Bill 17 presents significant financial and planning risks that undermine Brampton’s ability to deliver complete, healthy and livable communities. The City is eager to work with the province towards a more prosperous, livable and sustainable future where our residents enjoy world class infrastructure and services.



REDUCED FINANCIAL SUSTAINABILITY

Bill 17 introduces sweeping changes to the way municipalities fund growth-related infrastructure by deferring the collection of development charges (DCs) to the point of occupancy—and doing so without interest payments. For a high-growth city like Brampton, this change is particularly damaging. The City estimates a deferred revenue impact between \$84 million and \$112 million in the first year alone, with ongoing annual shortfalls ranging from \$13 million to \$21 million.

These delays directly affect Brampton's cash flow, limiting the City's ability to plan, design, and construct the roads, water infrastructure, and transit services needed to support housing. When revenue collection is delayed and funding gaps emerge, the financial burden is shifted onto existing taxpayers or absorbed through increased municipal debt—both of which erode long-term fiscal sustainability.

REQUEST FOR FUNDING & COLLABORATION

The City of Brampton requests the province introduce a dedicated, sustainable provincial funding program to replace deferred development charge revenues and allow municipalities to maintain critical infrastructure delivery without passing costs onto property taxpayers. Additionally, provide new municipal revenue tools to support long-term growth planning.



EROSION OF LOCAL PLANNING AUTHORITY

Bill 17 significantly weakens the role of municipal planning in shaping growth. By mandating that municipalities must accept development applications based solely on the materials submitted by certified professionals—and potentially prohibiting the requirement for locally relevant studies such as sun/shadow, wind and urban design; Brampton is left without the tools needed to ensure that new developments are compatible with the surrounding community. Furthermore, the introduction of a “10 percent as-of-right zoning variance” removes essential safeguards and bypasses public consultation processes. These provisions strip municipalities of the discretion necessary to ensure safe, context-sensitive and coordinated development, placing local livability at risk in the name of expediency. or absorbed through increased municipal debt—both of which erode long-term fiscal sustainability.

REQUEST FOR FUNDING & COLLABORATION

The City of Brampton requests the province restore municipal planning authority by allowing local governments to require context-sensitive studies, maintain zoning discretion and review development applications for completeness. Reinststate public input mechanisms that support accountable and transparent planning decisions.

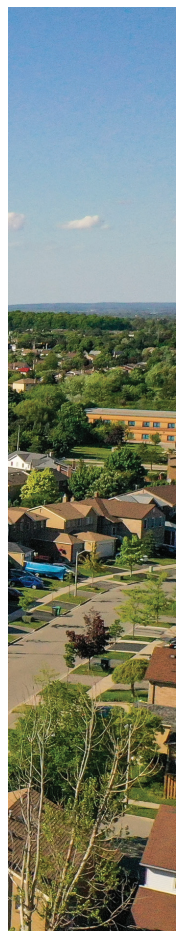
UNINTENDED CONSEQUENCES OF ONE-SIZE-FITS-ALL POLICIES

While Brampton supports increased housing supply, provincial policies that disregard local context are creating new challenges. The aggressive promotion of Additional Residential Units (ARUs), for example, has led to more than 26,000 registered ARUs in Brampton, now representing over 60 percent of new residential units in 2025.

This surge, largely concentrated in existing neighbourhoods has strained the City’s infrastructure, challenged enforcement capacity and disrupted neighbourhood character. In 2024 alone, Brampton’s enforcement and building teams conducted nearly 149,000 inspections and investigated over 14,500 property standards complaints related to ARUs. These figures illustrate the operational burden of provincial mandates that lack supporting infrastructure funding and fail to consider the cumulative impact of uncoordinated intensification.

FUNDING REQUEST

The City of Brampton requests the province provide targeted funding and policy tools to help municipalities manage the operational and infrastructure impacts of ARUs and other as-of-right housing changes. Allow municipalities to apply local standards for ARUs to ensure compatibility with infrastructure capacity and neighbourhood context.



REQUEST FOR SUSTAINABLE, PREDICTABLE FUNDING

The province has made welcome investments in housing and infrastructure, such as the \$29.8 million in funding Brampton received through the Housing-Enabling Water Systems Fund. However, these funds are typically one-time and highly competitive—unsuitable for the kind of long-term capital planning required in high-growth municipalities.

Meanwhile, Bill 17 continues to constrain municipalities' ability to fund community infrastructure by eliminating development charge eligibility for fire services, parks, libraries and community centres. These are the very services that make new housing viable and communities livable. Without access to stable, predictable and sustainable funding sources, municipalities are left without the means to support the very housing growth they are being asked to accelerate.

FUNDING REQUEST

The City of Brampton requests the province establish a **multi-year, base-funded capital support program** for fast-growing municipalities delivering housing at scale.

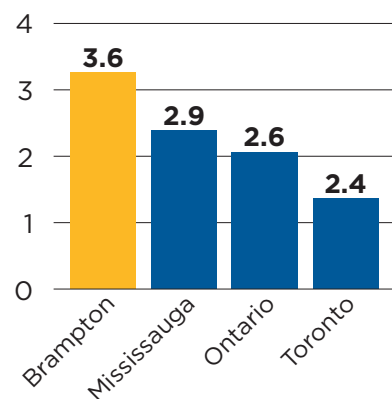
CITY'S 2025 HOUSING NEEDS ASSESSMENT

The Housing Needs Assessment provides a comprehensive overview and analysis of Brampton's current and future housing needs using demographic data, economic trends, and housing profiles. By understanding our housing landscape, we can build stronger partnerships with our provincial, federal and industry partners as we work together to ensure our residents have access to a range of housing options setting them up for a more prosperous, livable and sustainable future.

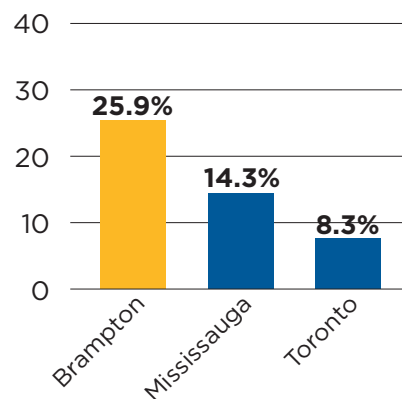
CHANGING HOUSEHOLD COMPOSITION

Households with five or more people now make up 25.9% of all households in Brampton (previously 20.7% in 2001) – by far the largest share in the GTA.

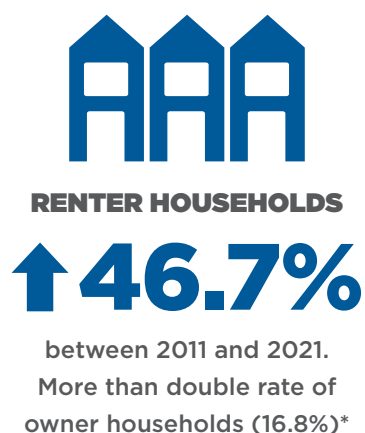
AVERAGE HOUSEHOLD SIZE



FIVE+ PEOPLE HOUSEHOLDS



RENTER HOUSEHOLDS



22%
of Brampton's households
are renters.

26.6%
**OF RENTERS IN
BRAMPTON ARE IN
CORE HOUSING NEED**

(living in housing that is unaffordable, unsuitable, or inadequate
and cannot afford alternative housing to meet all three standards)



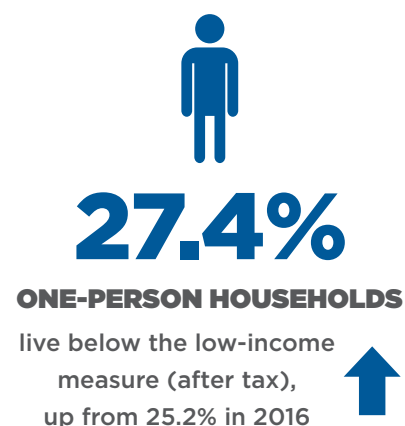
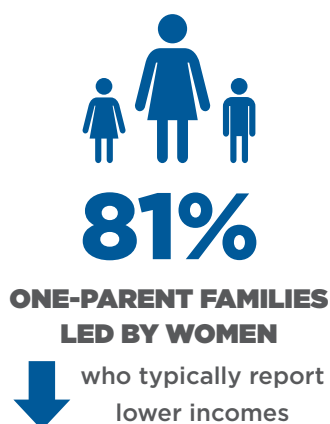
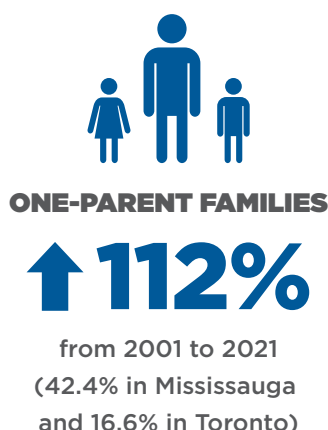
29.5%
of Mississauga's
households are renters.



9.6%
**OF RENTERS IN
MISSISSAUGA ARE IN
CORE HOUSING NEED**

*In Mississauga and Toronto, renter households increased 22.9% and 17.2%, respectively, during the same period.

ONE-PARENT AND LOW-INCOME HOUSEHOLDS



AFFORDABILITY GAPS

Median renter income is \$65,500, compared to \$120,000 for owners – a gap of nearly 40%. A similar trend across comparator municipalities.

The number of renter households earning over \$100,000 grew by 175% from 2016 to 2021, but many remain renters due to high home prices and a lack of affordable ownership options.

AFFORDABLE AND FAMILY SIZED HOUSING

Brampton's housing stock is dominated by ownership-oriented, ground-related units, many of which have become unaffordable to residents unless there are three or more household maintainers. There is a shortage of purpose-built rentals, multi-bedroom rental units, and affordable housing options to meet the needs of large families, young renters, students, and seniors in our city.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND INNOVATION

Economic development, growth and innovation are critical for advancing Brampton and Ontario on the path to a more prosperous, livable and sustainable future. As we face unprecedented uncertainty, it is critical that we work together to protect and support our residents and businesses.

U.S. TARIFFS

The City of Brampton has proactively responded to the economic impacts of U.S. tariffs through various strategies, including a “Made in Canada” procurement policy, launching Brampton’s Economic Resilience, Tariff Action Plan, advocacy at various levels of government, local business support, market diversification initiatives, investment attraction, the use of investment incentives such as the recently announced exemption for development charges (DCs) on eligible office developments and the Mayor’s Tariff Task Force.

Primary data from Brampton businesses indicates significant concerns: over 500 companies export to the U.S., with over 100 exporting a minimum of 50% of all products manufactured. The automotive sector, particularly the Stellantis plant, faces severe uncertainty, jeopardizing jobs and investments. Emerging themes highlight issues with tariff remission approvals, stalled growth and investment, potential production shifts to the U.S., mixed views on retaliatory tariffs, and skilled trades shortages exacerbated by immigration policies. Provincial and federal leadership is urgently needed to protect Brampton’s role in the North American auto industry, support affected workers and ensure continued investment in clean, future-focused vehicle production.

The 2025 Ontario Budget outlines several key measures to mitigate tariff impacts. The Protect Ontario Account (POA), tax deferrals and WSIB rebates directly address Brampton’s need to support local businesses facing financial strain by providing liquidity, reducing operating costs and offering a crucial financial backstop, helping businesses to avoid layoffs and potential closures. The increased Ontario Made Manufacturing Investment Tax Credit and extended investment in O-AMP and OVIN are directly supportive of Brampton’s critical automotive sector. These measures will incentivize investment in manufacturing within Ontario, which can help to retain existing jobs and attract new ones, particularly important for the Stellantis plant and its workers.

Additionally, the significant investment in the Skills Development Fund directly addresses the need to support affected workers. The \$20 million for new training and support centres for laid-off workers is particularly relevant for Brampton due to its high number of manufacturing and logistics businesses. These investments respond to regional workforce demands, particularly in high-growth sectors.

WORKING TOGETHER

The City welcomed the 2025 Ontario Budget announcement of the \$40M Trade-Impacted Communities Program (TICP) as one of the measures to support industries negatively impacted by the U.S. tariffs and related economic uncertainty. The TICP directly aligns with Economic Resilience, Tariff Action Plan, helping businesses access new international markets.

As the City of Brampton considers a grant application through the TICP, we request continued collaboration with the province to ensure Brampton continues to grow and contribute to Ontario’s success.







ADVANCED MANUFACTURING

We believe the province can play a critical role in mitigating challenges faced by the advanced manufacturing sector by establishing a targeted funding stream to support affected businesses. This fund could support strategic investment opportunities as well as operational support, enabling local economies to maintain and/or expand employment levels in Canada, encourage innovation and enhance global competitiveness.

By offering grants for small to mid-sized manufacturing firms that demonstrate tariff-related impacts, this demonstrates direct correlation of efforts to mitigate the challenges that are developing because of the trade war. It's imperative that we show a commitment to the manufacturing base that currently exists in Canada, as there is a real concern that these companies could shift production to the United States. The fund could also support research and development to help manufacturers explore alternative materials, suppliers or production methods and encourage businesses to transition to local sourcing and reduce dependency on international supply chains impacted by tariffs.

This fund would strengthen local economies by maintaining employment in manufacturing sectors, increase competitiveness for Canadian manufacturers through supply chain diversification and innovation and offer long-term sustainability for municipalities that rely on manufacturing-driven economic activity.

COLLABORATION & FUNDING REQUEST

The City calls on the province to support the advanced manufacturing sector by establishing a dedicated funding stream to support: affected businesses, strategic investment opportunities, operational support, employment, research and development, encourage innovation, enhance global competitiveness and encourage businesses to transition to local sourcing and reduce dependency on international supply chain.

INNOVATION IN THE CITY OF BRAMPTON

Brampton continues to revitalize and unlock the economic potential of its downtown by scaling a thriving entrepreneurial ecosystem.

In the centre of Canada's Innovation Corridor, Brampton's award-winning Innovation District (BID) is home to a network of companies, educational institutions, incubators and accelerators in the heart of downtown. The Innovation District supports tech-enabled businesses at all stages of development.

The City has committed to investing approximately \$30.5M in the district, with an additional estimated \$55.2M in investments being drawn in by Innovation District partners. Since its launch, the Brampton Innovation District has scaled over 900 companies and there have been 177 patents filed by companies that took part in BID programming.

In March 2023, The City, in partnership with its Regional Innovation and Commercialization (RIC) Centre, Altitude Accelerator, supported the launch of Brampton Angels, a members-only not-for-profit organization of accredited investors. Brampton Angels members provide dynamic early-stage companies with valuable mentorship and access to risk capital networks to initiate learning, networking and growth.

Since the onset, over 30 Brampton companies have pitched to angel investors. Overall, they have invested over \$2.3M in funding, while membership has grown to 55 investors. The partnership with RIC and the municipality is unique and demonstrates the commitment to driving economic growth through innovation.

In 2024, the City of Brampton, in collaboration with BHive, launched the Brampton Next program that built upon previous City of Brampton initiatives to help permanent residents and newcomer entrepreneurs start their businesses in Brampton. The Brampton Next program, which has been funded by the Ontario Government, has provided comprehensive business planning and settlement services. To date, 30 founders have completed the program, with an additional 25 enrolled in the next cohort which began in July.

Each year, many startups, entrepreneurs and large corporations plant roots in Brampton with the intent of commercializing their technology. With ready access to space, resources, and opportunities to network and pitch, the Brampton Innovation District is earning an international reputation as the place to locate.

WORKING TOGETHER

We thank the provincial government for its continued support to activate the Brampton Innovation District and look forward to even greater collaboration for a prosperous, innovative and sustainable economy.

The success of Brampton's Innovation District is driven by the provincial funding available to the partner organizations and it is critical these funding streams not just continue but become more robust to drive economic growth and job creation through innovation. The Business Acceleration Program funded by the Ministry of Research and Innovation is essential and must be enhanced along with the numerous programs offered by the Ontario Centre of Innovation funded by the Ministry of Economic Development, Job Creation and Trade.

Additionally, the Brampton Next program, funded by the Ontario government, has played a critical role in delivering tailored business planning, market readiness and settlement services to newcomers and international entrepreneurs. We urge the provincial government to continue investing in this high-impact initiative, which directly supports the growth of Brampton's Innovation District and contributes to Ontario's broader economic development and talent attraction goals.



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MEDTECH INNOVATION

The Brampton Innovation District is home to more than 200 startups; many focused on medical innovation and digital medicine. This ecosystem is set to expand further with the William Osler Health System expansion and the new Toronto Metropolitan University (TMU) School of Medicine, both of which are expected to drive new R&D opportunities, create supply chains and spark industry innovations.

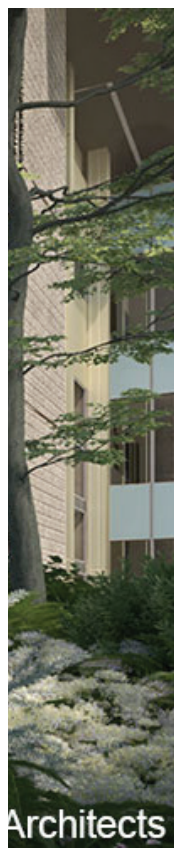
We thank the province for its support for the Toronto Metropolitan University (TMU) School of Medicine.

To support this growth, the City of Brampton launched its first-ever MedTech Task Force in May 2023. This initiative brings together leaders from industry, academia and healthcare including TMU, Dynacare, Medtronic, Boston Scientific and Osler Health – to position Brampton as a hub for MedTech innovation. The Task Force is focused on attracting investment, supporting research and commercialization and creating highly skilled jobs in the medical technology sector.

Key priorities include:

- Marketing Brampton's MedTech capabilities;
- Facilitating industry engagement at major events like the AdvaMed MedTech Conference;
- Exploring the development of a wet lab facility in Brampton to support startups and scale-ups in health and life sciences.

The Task Force serves as a collaborative forum uniting government, private sector leaders and academic institutions to guide the development of a wet lab feasibility study in Brampton. The



Task Force recommends working with the Province of Ontario, particularly through Phase II of Ontario's Life Sciences Strategy to secure Brampton's role as a key player in the province's innovation ecosystem.

Brampton and Ontario need a network of integrated innovation hubs featuring wet lab facilities, access to R&D funding and talent development pipelines. In Brampton, this ecosystem includes partners from the Innovation District, Brampton Angel Investors, Boston Scientific, SunPharma, Sheridan College, Algoma University and TMU, among others. These collective efforts are aimed at nurturing scientific advancement, supporting growing firms and building a robust MedTech industry in the city.

REQUEST FOR COLLABORATION

We request the province work with the City through Phase II of Ontario's Life Sciences Strategy to secure Brampton's role as a key player in the province's innovation ecosystem.

TECH & INNOVATION



Brampton Innovation District

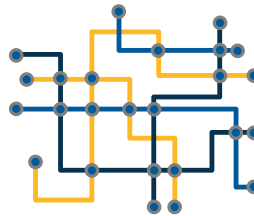
a vibrant hub of **educational institutions, incubators** and **accelerators** driving innovation and growth



Ranked #1 for connectivity among **Mid-Sized American Cities** of the Future (fDi Intelligence 2021/2022)



MedTech Task Force launched in 2023, aiming to **advance medical innovation** in Brampton



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largest intermodal railway terminal; easy access to all **400** series transcontinental highways reaching **158+ million** North American consumers



launched in 2023, investing over **\$2 Million** to technology start-ups



Ranked **one of Canada's Best Locations to Invest** (Site Selection Magazine 2023)

BRAMPTON ENTREPRENEUR CENTRE

First Stop in an Entrepreneur's Journey

The Brampton Entrepreneur Centre (BEC) is an integral part of the Ontario's Small Business Enterprise Centres (SBECS) network, providing vital support to entrepreneurs throughout their business journey. Our expert team delivers tailored business advice, specialized programs, co-working spaces and meaningful networking opportunities to small business owners across Brampton. We recognize small businesses are a driving force behind economic growth, innovation, vitality and job creation in our community.

With Brampton's rapid growth currently at 10.6%, the demand for our services continues to increase, placing additional pressure on our staff and resources. To meet this growing demand, we respectfully encourage the province to consider increased funding for core service delivery at the Brampton Entrepreneur Centre. We are grateful for the province's continued support through programs like Starter Company Plus and Summer Company, which have made a tangible impact on our local economy.

Additionally, we see an opportunity to improve agility and responsiveness by enhancing flexibility within the Transfer Payment Agreement (TPA). Aligning spending protocols and addressing the misalignment between municipal and provincial year-ends would help streamline operations and allow us to serve businesses more effectively.

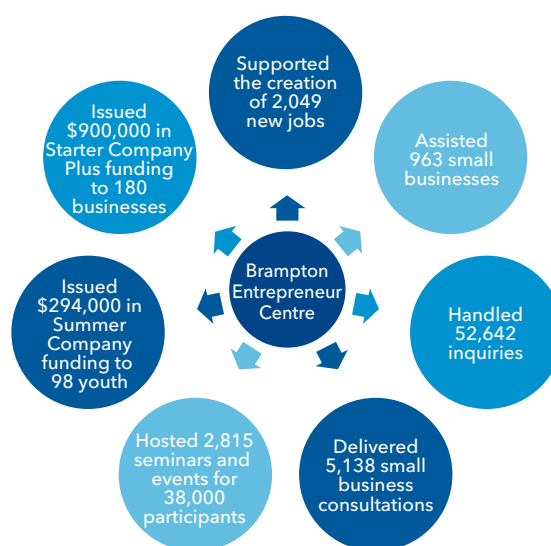
We strongly encourage the province to renew our next TPA well in advance of 2026. Last-minute approvals make planning and decision-making difficult, limiting our ability to support the business community efficiently and proactively.

We thank the province for its recent announcement of \$7.5M in funding for the Digital Competence Centre (DCC) and Retail Modernization Program (RMP). One key consideration is that entrepreneurs must contribute at least 50% of total eligible project costs. While it is reasonable for applicants to demonstrate some investment, this requirement may discourage those that are in most need of support. Additionally, businesses must be incorporated federally or provincially for at least one year and must have generated at least \$100,000 in annual revenue in one of the past three (3) tax years. These criteria tend to exclude the businesses that need this support the most.

While we appreciate the province's investment in SME support, it is disappointing that the funding for Digital Service Squad (DSS), a key part of the Digital Main Street initiative, has concluded. At the Brampton Entrepreneur Centre, we have seen first-hand that access to hands-on advice and guidance through the DSS makes the biggest difference and will continue to advocate for the return of this essential support.

Thanks to ongoing provincial support over the past six years, the Brampton Entrepreneur Centre has delivered impressive results:

We look forward to continuing this impactful work in partnership with the province.





GROWING PARTNERSHIPS FOR SKILLS AND TALENT

The Skills Development Fund, and similar initiatives, have a role to play in Brampton's key sectors in advanced manufacturing, food and beverage processing and medical devices.

As Brampton is an international city and a destination for newcomers, we support the initiatives to reduce barriers for skilled trades and the foreign trained skilled labour. We thank the province for its first step helping internationally trained immigrants removing the Canadian work experience as a requirement with Professional Engineers Ontario.

LABOUR ADVANTAGE

Advocacy for Brampton as a prime location for investment is essential. The city is home to major employers across a range of sectors, including MDA, which invested \$100 million in a new global headquarters and Centre of Excellence for space robotics and Lululemon, which established its largest North American distribution centre here. These companies and others like Canon Canada, selected Brampton for its corporate headquarters due to the city's skilled, diverse workforce and strategic location. Brampton's reputation as a hub for innovation and logistics is supported by a young, multicultural population, access to key transportation corridors and a strong commitment to workforce development.

Brampton's population has outpaced the availability of local employment opportunities. The city has the largest surplus of labour in the country, creating a significant competitive advantage for attracting employers seeking talent. All levels of government stand to benefit from investments that bring more and better quality jobs to Brampton. Creating employment closer to home will reduce commute times, lower transportation costs, ease stress, cut emissions, increase productivity and provide residents with more flexible and balanced lifestyles.

FUNDING & COLLABORATION REQUEST

The City of Brampton requests continued collaboration with the federal and provincial government to align immigration policies with local labour markets and economic development priorities. We urge all levels of government to work closely with municipalities to ensure immigration pathways respond to regional workforce demands, particularly in high-growth sectors. This includes enhancing support for foreign credential recognition, streamlining pathways for internationally trained professionals and investing in settlement services that accelerate labour market integration. A coordinated approach will ensure that immigration continues to fuel inclusive economic growth and address critical talent shortages.



MDA's newest headquarters and Space Robotics Centre of Excellence, built by Kaneff Group



2024 HIGHLIGHTS

- Handi-Foods' first manufacturing facility in Brampton created 175 new jobs.
- HelloFresh expanded into Brampton, opening a 200,000 sq ft facility and creating 600 new jobs.
- The Toronto Metropolitan University (TMU) School of Medicine, set to open in Brampton in 2025, is estimated to create 1,588 new full-time faculty and staff jobs, and supporting up to 18,976 jobs across Ontario.
- Stellantis opened a new state-of-the-art MOPAR Parts Distribution Centre, a 500,000 sq ft facility representing an investment of \$25.1M employing 250 workers.



Total Industrial Construction Value =
\$653M+



Total Commercial Construction Value =
\$204M+



Total Institutional Construction Value =
\$384M+



Total # of Businesses =
111,000



Total # of ICI Permits Issued =
620

Source: City of Brampton Planning, Building and Permits Department 2024



CLIMATE ACTION

SUSTAINABLE AND RESILIENT BRAMPTON

The City of Brampton, the Province of Ontario and Canada can only prosper if we successfully address climate change through collaboration among community partners including businesses, institutions, non-profits, residents, and all levels of government. Together, we can innovate, improve and identify new economic opportunities while ensuring we build an even more prosperous, livable and sustainable community. Building on Brampton's commitment to sustainability, the City has been working on improving transit and active transportation opportunities, protecting, and enhancing our ecosystems, achieving energy efficiency and Greenhouse Gas (GHG) reduction and preparing for impacts of a changing climate.

Brampton looks to the provincial government to play a strong supportive role in advancing our environmental sustainability and climate action priorities.

Guided by the Brampton Grow Green Environmental Master Plan, the Community Energy and Emissions Reduction Plan and the Corporate Energy Conservation and Demand Management Plan 2024-2029, the City is acting on climate change:

- City Council declared a Climate Emergency in June 2019. In response, Brampton moved quickly to implement both strategic studies, plans and on-the-ground actions to achieve quantifiable GHG reductions and meaningful community benefits.
- Brampton has established an ambitious goal to reduce GHG emissions generated in Brampton by at least 80% by 2050.
- Brampton established a Centre for Community Energy Transformation (CCET) to advance local climate actions.
- Brampton is developing its first Climate Change Adaptation Plan to build climate resiliency and ensure communities are prepared for future impacts.

COMMUNITY ENERGY AND EMISSIONS REDUCTION PLAN (CEERP)

The City of Brampton, in partnership with Sheridan College, developed a Community Energy and Emissions Reduction Plan (CEERP). This plan calls for an integrated effort by the municipality, local utilities and the larger community to improve energy efficiency, reduce GHG emissions, ensure energy security, create economic advantages and increase resilience to climate change. Addressing the climate change emergency will require an urban and energy transition.

The CEERP includes six priority projects focused on green communities, efficiencies in home and building, transportation and manufacturing, and increasing green infrastructure, contributing to a more sustainable Brampton – environmentally, economically and equitably.

Brampton looks to the provincial government to play a strong supportive role in advancing the remaining priorities:

- Establish a home retrofit program for Brampton homeowners
- Integrate District Energy Systems in appropriate locations in Brampton
- Develop Integrated Energy Master Plans for public facilities and private development



HOME ENERGY RETROFIT PROGRAM

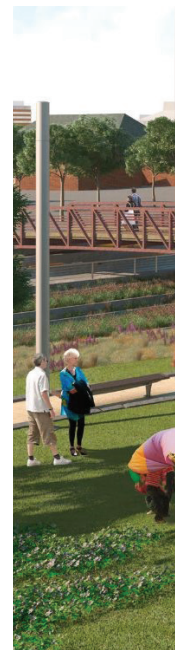
Residential homes represent 26% of energy use and 21% of GHG emissions in Brampton. To achieve our energy conservation and GHG emission reduction targets, over 100,000 older homes in Brampton need to be retrofitted for energy efficiency.

This requires a consistent set of modifications to existing buildings to improve energy efficiency and decrease energy demand. The province needs to strengthen the Ontario Building Code to increase minimum energy efficiency requirements for new and existing buildings, and/or allow municipalities to require greater than Ontario Building Code performance. We require training and capacity building for local governments, trades, industry and other stakeholders to support the transition to net zero homes and buildings. The scope and scale of such an undertaking are beyond the capacity of any municipal budget.

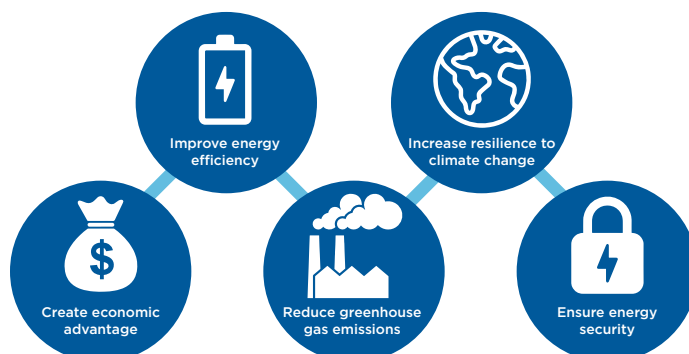
FUNDING REQUEST

To achieve success, the City will be required to offer financial incentives for the development of District Energy Systems in urban centres, mobility hubs, employment areas and intensification corridors. To do so, consideration must be given to recent legislative changes aimed at incentivizing housing and a funding partnership strategy must be established with provincial and federal governments to facilitate the implementation of home energy retrofits.

To achieve our energy conservation and GHG emission reduction targets, CEERP states 80% of existing homes in Brampton must be retrofitted. One priority is for Brampton to establish a system to deliver standardized retrofits to Brampton homeowners. The scope and scale of such an undertaking are beyond the capacity of any municipal budget. To achieve success, a funding partnership strategy must be established. Brampton, in partnership with Caledon and Mississauga, has hired a consultant to help design a home energy retrofit program. Successful implementation will require funding from the provincial and federal governments.



Community Energy and Emissions Reduction Plan Goals





CENTRE FOR COMMUNITY ENERGY TRANSFORMATION (CCET)

The CCET is a not-for-profit, community-based, action-oriented organization to accelerate Brampton's transition to a low-carbon future. CCET focuses on implementing four climate change priorities, including:

- Advancing deep home energy retrofits.
- Encouraging district energy nodes.
- Spurring industrial, commercial, and institutional (ICI) energy efficiency.
- Promoting outreach and engagement.

Brampton, in partnership with Peel Region, the Town of Caledon and the City of Mississauga, established this organization to accelerate the transition to a low carbon region. Successful establishment of CCET will require additional funding from the provincial and federal governments.

FUNDING & COLLABORATION REQUEST

The City of Brampton and the Region of Peel have provided funding for the Centre for Community Energy Transformation (CCET), however additional financial support from the provincial government is required to help scale up and maximize impact, in line with principles in the province's first-ever integrated energy plan.

CLIMATE CHANGE ADAPTATION PLAN (CCAP)

The Climate Change Adaptation Plan is intended to evaluate, guide, and integrate diverse policies, programs, and activities of the City, conservation authority partners and other stakeholders to ensure our collective efforts are directed towards the long-term health and climate resilience of Brampton.

The CCAP will deliver a detailed five-year Climate Change Adaptation Plan that directs updates to Brampton's policies, plans, programs, practices and procedures and aligns with national and international climate change goals and objectives. The plan will increase our resilience to climate change through a series of recommended actions and ensure communities are prepared for future impacts.

FUNDING REQUESTS

The City requests funding for the implementation of Brampton's Climate Change Adaptation Plan.

NET ZERO CARBON COMMUNITY CENTRE RETROFITS

In 2024, the City of Brampton published its Energy Conservation and Demand Management Plan (ECDMP) 2024 - 2029: which provides an overview of the City's current emissions and outlines a strategy to diminish its corporate contribution to GHG emissions. The goal is to achieve a reduction of 40-45% in emissions by 2030 (compared to a 2010 baseline) and ultimately attain net zero emissions by 2050. To meet this objective, in 2020 the City's Energy Management Team completed a zero-carbon study for Susan Fennell Sportsplex, one of the city's largest multi-use recreational facilities. Seven additional deep retrofit studies have been completed from 2019 to 2024 for Century Gardens Recreation Centre, Earnscliffe Recreation Centre, City Hall West Tower, Chinguacousy Wellness Centre, Cassie Campbell Community Centre, Save Max Sports Centre and Terry Miller Recreation Centre. The City is currently undertaking deep energy retrofit studies at Jim Archdekin Recreation Centre, Chinguacousy Curling Club and Kiwanis McMurchy Pool.

In April 2021, City Council provided approval of phase one for the design of the zero-carbon retrofit for Susan Fennell Sportsplex.

Recreational facilities account for nearly 50 per cent of the City's annual GHG emissions. Susan Fennell Sportsplex (formerly South Fletcher's Sportsplex) has been identified as one of the City's top five GHG emitters. This facility is also one of the City's largest multi-use recreational facilities at about 173,000 square feet and most of the major building systems are at the end of their useful life. As such, Susan Fennell Sportsplex provides an opportunity to transform the recreation centre into a zero-carbon facility to support meeting the City's corporate emission targets.

The City was approved to receive 15.7M from federal funding under Green and Inclusive Community Buildings (GICB) program for Deep Energy retrofits to Susan Fennell Sportsplex.



FUNDING REQUESTS

The City of Brampton looks to the provincial government to provide funding in support of our climate change initiatives through expanded funding for community infrastructure that would include and incentivise energy retrofits and efficiency improvements.

In 2021 Johnson Controls Canada LP was selected as the design-builder to execute the retrofit at Susan Fennell Sportsplex. Construction began in April 2024 and is expected to be completed by September 2025.

This priority project will be the City's first zero carbon recreational facility retrofit and a foundational step in the City's efforts to transition our remaining existing community centres, including Century Gardens and Earnscliffe recreation centres, Save Max Sports Centre and Cassie Campbell Community Centre into exemplary zero-carbon facilities.

WORKING TOGETHER

The City pursues funding and opportunities for collaboration from all sources to support energy retrofit plans for the Chinguacousy Wellness Centre, Save Max Sports Centre and Cassie Campbell Community Centre. Thanks to support from all partners and levels of government, Brampton is working to reduce GHG emissions across the city. The City looks to working with the province to continue this work as part of the provincial Energy for Generations plan.

Our proactive approach and partnerships enable Brampton to make meaningful progress as we work towards shared climate action goals.





GREENING OUR FLEET AND SUPPORTING ELECTRIC VEHICLE UPTAKE

In 2022, the City of Brampton released a Sustainable Fleet Strategy to foster reduced GHG and air pollutant emissions. The strategy will help enhance operational efficiency and service excellence, improve lifecycle asset management, demonstrate leadership in environmental sustainability and align with the provincial leadership on advancement of electric vehicle manufacturing.

The City has also installed 95 EV charging stations, of which 51 are public chargers for electric vehicles across community centres and other City facilities. Availability and accessibility of green vehicle ownership data from the Ministry of Transportation is essential to developing our broader plan for public stations.

WORKING TOGETHER

The City invested \$3.75M in 2022 and has allocated \$7.25M in 2024 to install EV charging stations having 176 charging connectors for fleet vehicles at multiple City owned facilities.

The City also received \$1.72M from Natural Resources Canada to support Electric Vehicle (EV) infrastructure.

The City is investing \$840,000 into PHEV (plug-in hybrid electric vehicle) units in 2023 and \$2.4M into EV (electric vehicle) units in 2024.



BRAMPTON FIRE AND EMERGENCY SERVICES ELECTRIFICATION

The City of Brampton is dedicated to improving sustainability and being a leader in environmental innovation across our operations. On January 23, 2024, the City of Brampton proudly unveiled the Rosenbauer RTX, the first fully electric-powered fire truck in Brampton.

Brampton is the first municipality in Ontario to use an electric-powered front-line emergency response vehicle, joining other world-class cities such as Berlin, Amsterdam, Dubai, Los Angeles and Vancouver.

The Rosenbauer RTX is the first fully electric-powered fire truck available on the market able to meet current firefighting standards.

The truck's technology will allow Brampton firefighters to generate zero emissions while responding to emergencies, not only during travel, but also while on site. The elimination of emissions protects both the environment and health and safety of firefighters on scene by reducing the intake of carcinogens.

The new electric fire trucks will be stationed at the new, state-of-the-art Brampton Fire and Emergency Services Headquarters and Training Centre. The City is looking at eight additional electric vehicles within the next four years.

The City of Brampton is actively exploring opportunities to further advance our plans for deployment of electric vehicles as part of an innovative and sustainable Brampton Fire and Emergency Services Department.

MAKING A DIFFERENCE

The City estimates a potential savings of \$384,000 and 256 tonnes CO₂e avoided over a 12-year lifetime per fire truck. *

*Sustainable Fleet Strategy: Additional Consideration, Battery-Electric Fire Truck

ECOSYSTEM RESTORATION AND FLOOD RESILIENCY

Brampton Eco Park represents the City's vision for a network of resilient green spaces that conserve and enhance natural systems while supporting a sustainable urban future. As Brampton continues to grow, investing in ecosystem restoration and climate adaptation is critical for protecting biodiversity, managing stormwater, reducing flood risks, and improving quality of life for residents.

Several larger Eco Park projects are currently underway. These include:

- **Fallingdale, Earnscliffe, and Eastbourne Eco Park Revitalization:** Eco Park enhancements delivered in coordination with TRCA's flood channel remediation work to improve stormwater flow, habitat quality, and public green space.
- **Environmental Education Centre:** Development of a flagship trailhead Eco Space in the Credit River Valley that will serve as a prominent, publicly accessible centre for environmental education and outdoor recreation.

- **Riverwalk:** A landmark flood mitigation initiative in downtown Brampton that uses nature-based solutions to manage flood risk while creating vibrant urban green space.
- **Lake Enhancement Strategy:** A targeted initiative to restore and enhance Brampton's lakes, transforming them into climate-resilient Eco Park features that support flood management and biodiversity.

WORKING TOGETHER

The City of Brampton appreciates the provincial investment of over \$2.5 million through the Wetlands Conservation Partner Program, which supported the enhancement of four wetland areas in the Etobicoke Creek watershed. This project, led by the City in partnership with the Toronto and Region Conservation Authority (TRCA), restored wetlands at four locations in and around Loafers Lake and Conservation Drive Park. These efforts improved habitat for native species, increased flood resiliency, and supported Brampton's broader goals for ecological restoration and climate adaptation.

Establishing eco parks across Brampton will help leverage the City's natural heritage and recreation goals. The City is seeking funding for these important Eco Park initiatives.



A conceptual image of the evolution of Brampton Eco Park

FUNDING REQUEST

A top priority is improving flood resiliency along Etobicoke Creek, Brampton's most urbanized watershed. Through wetland restoration, floodplain reconnection, and green infrastructure, we aim to reduce flooding, restore ecosystem health, and adapt to a changing climate. These initiatives are central to the Eco Park vision of using natural systems for stormwater management. The City is requesting \$3 million in funding to advance this critical work.

In support of its broader ecosystem restoration goals, the City is implementing Brampton's first Road Ecology Program focused on Heart Lake Road. This corridor crosses ecologically significant wetlands and natural areas that provide important functions such as supporting biodiversity, filtering water, and contributing to local climate resilience. While initial mitigation measures are underway, long-term wildlife monitoring and ecological protection are essential to maintain the health and function of this natural corridor. The City is requesting \$300,000 in funding to support this important initiative.



With continued collaboration and investment, we can protect and enhance Brampton's natural assets, ensure a sustainable future for our growing city, and bring the Eco Park vision to life across neighbourhoods. These efforts not only deliver ecological benefits, but also create vibrant, livable spaces for residents to enjoy.

STORMWATER INFRASTRUCTURE IMPROVEMENT

The City invests in maintaining and upgrading stormwater infrastructure across Brampton on an ongoing basis. In addition to regular operations and cleanout of Brampton's stormwater infrastructure, the City is also investing in retrofits and upgrades to existing infrastructure. For example, the City has identified gaps in water quality treatment provided by existing infrastructure in neighbourhoods built before current stormwater management practices.

The City has reviewed these areas and identified opportunities for new stormwater management infrastructure to be installed to capture pollutants from urban runoff before entering the natural environment.

Overall, these retrofits will provide additional stormwater control and treatment in under-served neighbourhoods to meet stormwater management needs and be more prepared for climate change.

FUNDING & COLLABORATION REQUEST

The City calls on the province to establish an ongoing and predictable funding that would help the City accelerate and expand the scope of the Stormwater Retrofit Program to include additional opportunities and provide financial support for programs focused on gray and green infrastructure improvements, such as Brampton's Stormwater Retrofit Program.

MUNICIPAL FISCAL SUSTAINABILITY

Municipalities are at the forefront of the most pressing challenges we face today. From housing to transit, critical infrastructure and sustainability, cities play a crucial role in ensuring our residents have access to key infrastructure and services. To play our part in building a successful and vibrant Ontario, municipalities like Brampton need the province to ensure we have the financial capacity to deliver for our residents. Municipal fiscal sustainability is critical to ensure we stay on the path towards a prosperous, livable and sustainable future for Brampton and the province.

PROTECT ONTARIO BY BUILDING FASTER AND SMARTER ACT, 2025

Furthermore, recent legislative changes, such as Bill 17, Protect Ontario by Building Faster and Smarter Act, 2025 has the potential to significantly impact the City of Brampton's fiscal sustainability. The deferral of DC collections without an alternative funding source is projected to reduce Brampton's growth capital cash flow significantly. Material reductions in anticipated DC revenues, will result in the deferral of approved and/or planned capital projects, unless alternative funding sources are identified.

WORKING TOGETHER

The City provided a formal submission as part of the public consultation on changes proposed in Bill 17. Brampton and other municipalities are partners in delivering housing, but municipal fiscal sustainability is critical to support and enable development. Without alternative revenue sources from the province, tax rates will increase, and key approved projects will be deferred or cancelled. A balanced approach that provides local autonomy in planning, zoning and development financing, while expediting and incentivizing housing is the right path forward, not just for Brampton, but for Ontario.

The Association of Municipalities of Ontario has highlighted the current provincial-municipal fiscal arrangements require a joint review of revenues, costs and financial risks. AMO's Social and Economic Prosperity Review provides a detailed analysis of Ontario's infrastructure investment and service delivery needs. Brampton looks forward to working together with the province to position ourselves for a better future for all residents of Brampton and the people of Ontario.

Furthermore, the Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM) are calling for action from the provincial and federal governments to equip municipalities with the tools they need to ensure the quality-of-life Canadians deserve and maintain fiscal sustainability. FCM published a report with recommendations detailing how to achieve a new, fair and predictable municipal growth framework.

The current situation results in the primary funding source for municipalities being property taxes and this is unsustainable, given a wide range of services municipalities provide or are expected to support. Brampton is ready to work with sector partners and both provincial and federal governments to ensure municipal fiscal sustainability.





REQUEST FOR COLLABORATION

The City of Brampton requests the government work with AMO and municipalities to ensure adequate and sustained funding model for local government to ensure long term municipal fiscal sustainability. Together we can empower local communities to play a leadership role in ensuring our cities drive growth and walk the path towards a more prosperous, livable and sustainable future.

HEADS & BEDS LEVY

The Heads and Beds Levy is charged at \$75 per head/bed and has remained unchanged for over 35 years. If it had kept up with inflation the rate would be at \$173.39 in 2025.

In 2025, six institutions will pay total levies of \$1,244,475, of which the City of Brampton retains \$639,225, and \$605,250 will be received by the Region of Peel. Should the levy be adjusted to inflation, the total levy would more than double to \$2,878,256.



While provincial facilities and institutions provide economic benefit and contribute to community building, an updated 'heads & beds levy' would more accurately reflect the municipal costs associated with demand placed by these institutions on local infrastructure, increased demand for public transit and other municipal services.

The City is requesting that the province double the Heads and Beds levy to ensure additional funding is available to municipalities who provide municipal services for international students. This would help address challenges faced by international students such as living conditions and barriers to affordable housing and accommodation.

FUNDING REQUEST

The City of Brampton requests the provincial government double the Heads and Beds levy to ensure additional funding is available to provide municipal services for international students.

JOINT & SEVERAL LIABILITY

Liability and risks are one major driver of exponentially increasing insurance costs for the municipal sector. Joint and several liability is a long-standing issue raised by municipalities across the province due to the disproportioned burden on municipalities that are awarded by courts. It also is one of key driving factors for municipalities to settle out of court to avoid protracted and expensive litigation for amounts that may be excessive and often exceed their degree of fault.

Since 2007, liability premiums have increased by 22.2% and are among the fastest growing of municipal costs.

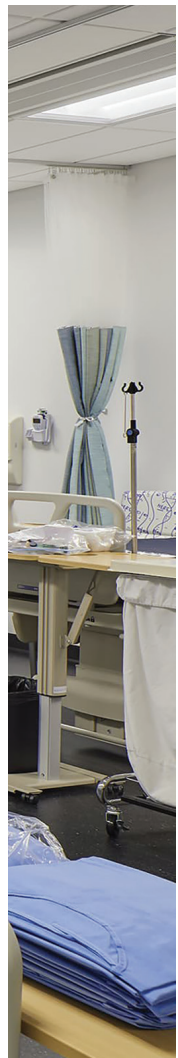
A reform to joint and several liability may also offer the opportunity to support affordable housing.

The Building Code Act, as amended, allows the councils of two or more municipalities to enter into an agreement providing for the joint enforcement of the Act and Regulations within their respective municipalities. This allows for shared costs and cross jurisdictional approvals of building permits.

Municipalities are reluctant to enter into such agreements and one of the barriers is the associated liability. Reform to the joint and several liability regimes may offer the opportunity to expedite approvals of plans to construct much needed housing.

REQUEST FOR COLLABORATION

The City of Brampton supports and endorses AMO's recommendations to the province to address the growing municipal liability and insurance costs, aiming to align municipal liability with the proportionate responsibility for incidents and cap awards.



HEALTH CARE

Brampton continues to experience significant health care capacity pressures due to the area's rapid population growth, aging demographics, high prevalence of chronic disease and historical funding inequities. The need for health care services and hospital capacity continues to outpace provincial investments. As a result, in January 2020, Brampton City Council declared a health care emergency.

While we are grateful to the province for taking significant steps to address the historic health care funding inequities in Brampton, we need to ensure this work, and provincial investments continue. Adequate health care services are critical for Brampton and our residents as we look to working together towards a more prosperous, livable and sustainable Brampton.

WORKING TOGETHER

The City is grateful for the Government of Ontario's commitment to Brampton's second hospital, marked by a significant milestone in March 2025 with the groundbreaking at Peel Memorial, as well as for its support in expanding life-saving cancer services at William Osler's Brampton Civic Hospital.

With continued rapid population growth and the new housing targets, making equitable and appropriate hospital and health care investments is more urgently needed than ever to ensure continued high-quality care for Brampton residents, bridge the current service gaps and ensure the growing community's needs can be met.

NEED FOR EQUITABLE HEALTH CARE FUNDING

Hospital Beds per 100,000 Population

Brampton has well under half the number of hospital beds per capita than the provincial average. Currently, there are an average of 87 patients per day waiting for a bed in Osler's Emergency Departments and hallways.

Cancer Care

Osler provides care and treatment to patients across their cancer journey – prevention, screening, diagnosis, treatment, recovery, survivorship, and end-of-life care.

A notable gap in Brampton's cancer care services is radiation therapy. Currently, many residents must travel outside the city to access specialized cancer treatments, which can be burdensome for patients and their families.

And the community's need for cancer care is increasing:

- In 2024/25, Osler's oncology program experienced a 12 per cent growth in the number of new case consultations for systemic treatment.
- Projections show that by 2038, the number of cancer cases is expected to double.



Mental Health and Addictions

Since 2010/11, Mental Health and Addictions Emergency Department and Urgent Care Centre visits have increased by more than double the provincial average:

- Ontario: 54% increase since 2010/11.
- Brampton: 121% increase since 2010/11.

Brampton's continued population growth and new housing targets will further exacerbate the above inequities.

The Government of Ontario's commitment to Brampton's new second hospital and the new School of Medicine in Brampton are significant investments that will directly improve health care for our residents.

REQUEST FOR COLLABORATION

Continued support from the Ontario Government to bring Brampton's new second hospital to life for the community.

Next stages of Ontario Government approvals to begin building a comprehensive Cancer Care Centre at Brampton Civic Hospital to meet the growing needs for live-saving cancer care and treatment in our community.



SUPPORT FOR MEDICAL SCHOOL DEVELOPMENT

Following the School of Medicine opening and first student cohort in 2025, Osler will require continued funding to support necessary changes to hospital operations and capacity as TMU's primary clinical partner and a major teaching hospital. These funds will support the necessary building blocks to accommodate hundreds of additional medical learners within the hospital environment.

WORKING TOGETHER

Earlier this year, the City welcomed the provincial announcement of a major investment to expand access to primary care across the province, including support for two new teaching clinics at the Toronto Metropolitan University's School of Medicine in Brampton. The two Integrated Health Centres will bring innovative, inclusive, and integrated primary care to 17,000 patients in Brampton and the Peel Region in the first two years.

THIRD HOSPITAL

Brampton's need for health care and hospital services continues to outpace current capacity. The new provincial housing target of 113,000 new homes is projected to add an additional 300,000-400,000 residents. Over the longer term, construction of Highway 413, which will run parallel to a large segment of Brampton-Caledon municipal boundaries, will also trigger massive population growth.

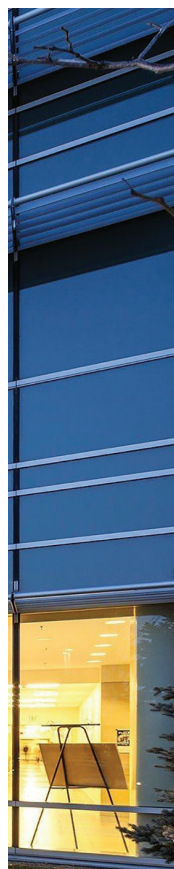
FUNDING & COLLABORATION REQUEST

To service this growth, Brampton will need a minimum of 660 new hospital beds. With that in mind, the City requests the province consider providing a planning grant for a third hospital in Brampton.

BRIDGING THE GAP

Building on provincial investments in Brampton's Health Care

- Equitable and appropriate hospital and health care investments to address historic underfunding and to meet the needs of Brampton's rapidly growing population.
- Ensure adequate funding for the primary clinical partnership between Osler and the TMU School of Medicine in Brampton.
- Advance plans and approvals for a comprehensive Cancer Care Centre at Brampton Civic Hospital.
- Consider and provide a planning grant for a third hospital in Brampton.





COMMUNITY SAFETY AND WELL-BEING

With a population of 800,000 residents and on track to reach one million in the coming years, we take a comprehensive approach to the services and supports our residents depend on and use every day. As a city focused on high quality of life for our residents, Brampton works with all stakeholders to promote organization and enable community safety and well-being. Our holistic approach is aligned with provincial priorities that promote safe and livable communities; while ensuring we stay on the path towards prosperous, livable and sustainable future.

BRAMPTON COURTHOUSE EXPANSION

Ensure the timely allocation and effective utilization of the \$117 million committed to the Brampton Courthouse, enhancing the judicial infrastructure to support a growing population and improve access to justice.

MENTAL HEALTH RESOURCES

The City welcomes the partnership with the Ontario government and Peel Children's Aid Society to open a new Youth Wellness Hub in Brampton as part of the Century Gardens Youth Hub project, to bring mental health and substance use support, primary healthcare, education and employment assistance, housing and peer support, and sports-based programming to youth ages 12 to 25, and their families. This valuable connection to services supports wellbeing in our community.

We continue to advocate for increased investments and enhanced tools and resources to expand mental health and wellness programs for youth across our community, addressing the critical need for mental health support services in schools and community centers to foster a healthier, more resilient young population.

As a community, we are coming together through the Peel Newcomer Strategy Group to focus on improving the mental health service experience for newcomers, including newcomer youth and international students and we are advocating for the necessary resources to ensure that the continuum of supports is available and accessible to this key group in our community.

REQUEST FOR COLLABORATION

The City urges the provincial government to adapt existing policies to allow for increased system capacity and we want to collaborate on co-designing improvements for newcomer youth and international students' mental wellness.





SUPPORTING INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS

To improve the experience for international students, the City of Brampton collaborates with community partners through the International Students Collaborative, which was formed in 2024 led by the Region of Peel's Community Safety and Well-Being team and Sheridan College. Together with community partners, the collaborative works to define issues, identify partnership opportunities and plan collective implementation and advocacy approaches aligned with the Brampton Charter for Improving the International Student Experience. This comprehensive charter has been co-developed by key stakeholders across our community to ensure equitable access to education, housing and community support services, promoting their successful integration and contribution to Brampton's economic and cultural landscape.

International students continue to face complex social, health, and economic challenges, which require a cross-sectoral and systemic response. Living conditions and barriers to affordable housing and accommodation are significant challenges for international students. The cost of housing is a substantial portion of expenses that international students pay during their studies. To address these barriers, the City of Brampton has led an integrated approach to identifying solutions from pre-arrival to post-graduation and requires support from higher levels of government for increased funding and resources.

REQUEST FOR COLLABORATION

The City of Brampton continues to call on all levels of government to work with universities and colleges to create more student housing options for students to meet the current and forecasted demand.

COMBATTING GENDER VIOLENCE

The City of Brampton welcomed the Ontario-STANDS program (Standing Together Against gender-based violence Now through decisive actions, prevention, empowerment, and supports), and efforts to enhance existing prevention and response mechanisms against gender-based violence. As this four-year cross-government action plan moves towards more collaboration for implementing actions across education, social services, housing, health and justice sectors, the City of Brampton is eager to remain involved and share perspectives to help ensure the implementation of related action plans is responsive and reflects meaningful change.

Our advocacy efforts through this platform aim to strengthen initiatives and funding aimed at preventing gender violence by enhancing support services for survivors, increasing public awareness campaigns, and fostering partnerships with local organizations to create safer communities for all residents. We want to ensure the Region of Peel and the City of Brampton are fairly represented in Ontario's investment of over \$1.4 billion in gender-based violence services. The City of Brampton remains committed to continuing with collaborative approaches, providing support for vulnerable communities that are culturally responsive, trauma-informed and reflect the needs of our local community.

REQUEST FOR COLLABORATION

We ask the provincial government to provide our community with a commitment of new funding to support transitional housing dedicated to female victims and their children of domestic violence.

We also continue to urge the creation of provincial legislation to address family violence and requesting that intimate partner violence be formally declared an epidemic in Ontario.


IMPACTS OF THE RISING COST OF LIVING: ADDRESSING ENCAMPMENTS AND SHELTER CAPACITY

The City of Brampton is actively addressing the rising cost of living through its annual budget process, which focuses on maintaining affordability while investing in key areas that support residents' quality of life. Nevertheless, the prolonged nation-wide housing crisis continues to contribute to an increase of homeless encampments across Canada due to the lack of deeply affordable housing options, underfunding of supports for equity seeking populations and the rising cost of living.

We continue to advocate for policies and programs that provide financial relief and support low and middle-income families, including affordable housing initiatives, increased minimum wage, economic empowerment, enhancing food security and accessible public services to enhance the quality of life in Brampton.

WORKING TOGETHER

The City appreciates the Ministry for Seniors and Accessibility's continued collaboration and support through programs such as the Seniors Active Living Centres Program, Seniors Community Grants and the Inclusive Community Grant. These initiatives enhance services and programming for older adults, fostering greater participation and community connection.



To address the growing problem of food insecurity, last year marked the launch of the Brampton Food Hub, a collaboration between six local agencies to build a sustainable food network in our community to ensure equitable access to nutritious, culturally appropriate food for all residents.

To keep up with increasing demands, we are requesting additional funding and enhanced tools and resources to help our community feel safe and have their needs met.

ENCAMPMENTS

As one of Canada's largest cities, Brampton has seen a growing number of homeless encampments across our community. We understand that people experiencing homelessness are not a homogenous group. They have diverse needs and different experiences that led them to being unhoused. As of July 9, 2025, the City of Brampton has 27 active encampment sites throughout the city and growing.

To address encampments effectively, the Region of Peel, its local municipalities (including the City of Brampton), Peel Regional Police, and community agencies have co-designed an encampment response that is human rights-based, coordinated, and balanced, with a goal of reducing the risks and impacts for those experiencing homelessness and for the broader community. In June of this year, the Region of Peel Council approved and launched the Homeless Encampment Policy and Joint Protocols, the first of its kind in Ontario and a major step forward in how Brampton and its regional partners respond to homelessness and encampments with compassion, consistency and collaboration. This milestone builds on our advocacy for funding and a more unified, balanced approach to encampment response.

In addition to these efforts, a multi-sectoral approach is needed with support from all levels of government in the form of funding that is beyond a one-time allocation and is sustainable to better serve and improve housing options for the growing number of individuals facing homelessness in our community. Since 2024, the City has spent approximately \$1.7 million responding to the increasing number of encampments.

These costs include signage, materials, safety equipment, contracted security, and site restoration expenses associated with the cleanup of inactive and hazardous encampment sites.

In 2024, the City welcomed the provincial announcement of \$75.5 million to support homelessness prevention and provide people living in encampments with access to reasonable alternative accommodation and legislative changes intended to support public safety. At the same time, the requirements to access the provincial funding directed through the existing homelessness prevention program administered by the Region in Peel, meant the lower-tier municipalities were not able to pursue the funding directly, the City of Brampton, City of Mississauga and Town of Caledon relied on the Region of Peel to pursue the \$20 million funding envelope for encampment response initiatives.

In December 2024 the City formally wrote to the Ontario government asking for additional funding to be allocated to Brampton directly to deal with encampment costs. To date, Brampton has not received any financial support from the province to help with addressing encampments in the city. However, the City presented a motion at the Region of Peel Council meeting of June 26, 2025, to request the region's reimbursement to the lower-tier municipalities for all costs incurred in 2024 and costs for ongoing response to encampments in 2025 and to consider costs for implementing the approved protocols in the 2026 budget process. The motion was passed resulting in Brampton receiving the funding needed to respond to encampments with compassion while ensuring the health and safety of public spaces.

REQUEST FOR FUNDING & COLLABORATION

Brampton requests the province make additional funding available through the existing homelessness prevention programs and grant lower tier municipalities access to directly apply for funding that would help address the growing issue of encampments in the Ontario communities.

SHELTER SYSTEMS

Like many other communities across the province, the City of Brampton is seeking solutions to address the high demand for shelter spaces in the Region of Peel shelter system.

2024 REGIONAL HOMELESSNESS POINT-IN-TIME COUNT



shows that, including asylum claimants

↑ 223%

in homelessness in Peel,
compared to the 2021 Count

2,799

individuals experiencing
homelessness in Peel Region,
on November 13, 2024

When asylum claimants are removed from the analysis, the Count identified a 93% increase in local homelessness, compared to the 2021 Count.

We are pushing for immediate investments and long-term, sustainable solutions to increase shelter capacity, improve wrap-around services and support pathways to permanent housing for those in need. We urge higher levels of government to increase funding for deeply affordable and supportive housing options for homeless communities and for people transitioning out of homelessness who are looking for permanent housing options.

The City is actively working with the Region of Peel and other stakeholders in our advocacy efforts for increased and fair share of funding to support local efforts in addressing chronic homelessness and encampments. We also need to address the need for increased affordable and supportive housing, mental health and addictions support, and other social service supports to address the root causes of chronic homelessness.

We are working to proactively identify any gaps and further improvements to the City of Brampton's internal processes in addressing encampments on City property, and any opportunities to improve the City's coordination with Region of Peel, Peel Regional Police and local social service agencies.

REQUEST FOR FUNDING & COLLABORATION

The City of Brampton requests provincial support with local costs and efforts to react to the rapid increase in homelessness and encampments in Brampton.

MUNICIPAL AND SOCIAL SERVICES IN BRAMPTON & PEEL REGION

The City of Brampton follows a comprehensive approach to the community safety and well-being of our residents including access to and reliable support through various social services, including childcare, senior care and mental health care, at various stages of their lives to thrive and succeed.

A recent report by the Metamorphosis Network has shown that Peel residents receive less provincial funding for municipal and social services compared to the average Ontario resident, with a shortfall of \$578 per person annually. This funding gap results in over \$868 million in underfunding across Peel annually, with almost half a billion dollars affecting Brampton alone.

Brampton requires adequate support and funding from the province to ensure our talented workforce is focused on building our communities and securing a prosperous future for the city and province.

REQUEST FOR FUNDING & COLLABORATION

The City of Brampton requests a fair, new deal for Brampton to ensure that the city receives an equitable share of provincial investment in municipal and social services.



ADDITIONAL RESOURCES TO SUPPORT THE COMMUNITY SAFETY AND WELL-BEING PLANNING FRAMEWORK

To support municipalities and their partners in undertaking and addressing the root causes of crime and complex social issues through the community safety and well-being (CSWB) planning framework, the City of Brampton is advocating to the province to develop and implement a specific provincial role for providing advice and assistance to communities in all areas of CSWB by developing, providing, or coordinating training, developing and coordinating a public education program, and acting as a central point of contact or Field Officer, for respective sectors across the province. Municipalities are seeking further guidance and direction for implementation of CSWB toolkit themes, including community asset mapping, engagement across diverse communities, analyzing community risks, performance measurement, and impacts of the CSWB planning framework. We ask the province to design and deliver more opportunities for knowledge sharing across the CSWB sector, and to develop and support municipalities in the implementation of additional tools for measuring impact and performance of CSWB initiatives.

AUTOMATED SPEED ENFORCEMENT (ASE)

Speed is a leading contributor to traffic collisions and fatalities in Brampton directly impacting safety of our residents. Automated Speed Enforcement (ASE) is a proven, effective tool that deters speeding and encourages safer driving behaviour. Since 2020, the City of Brampton has been at the forefront of ASE adoption, operating one of the largest programs in Canada. By the end of summer 2025, Brampton will have deployed 185 ASE cameras across Community Safety Zones near schools, parks, hospitals and other vulnerable areas.

Brampton's ASE program is part of a broader road safety strategy that includes traffic calming, speed display boards, education and police enforcement. Results to date show a **6.5 km/h average speed reduction** at ASE sites, contributing to safer streets for all.

To support the program's rapid growth, Brampton opened a new **ASE Processing Centre** in September 2024. This investment has increased processing capacity, extended camera operating hours, and created 42 new local jobs.

WORKING TOGETHER

The 2025 provincial budget introduced new regulatory powers allowing the Minister of Transportation to direct municipalities on how ASE systems should be operated. While the intent may be to improve consistency or oversight, any changes to program parameters could have significant impacts on safety, operations and municipal investments.

This presents a timely opportunity to strengthen provincial-municipal collaboration to ensure changes support effective, community-focused road safety programs. The City looks forward to the continued collaboration with the province on this important file.

REQUEST FOR COLLABORATION

That the province commits to meaningful consultation with municipalities prior to enacting any regulatory or operational changes to the Automated Speed Enforcement program.





REGIONAL GOVERNANCE REVIEW

The City of Brampton supports the Government of Ontario's intent to help the lower-tier municipalities, including Brampton to meet their growing needs and address their local challenges with greater independence over certain public works. Brampton is one of the fastest growing of Canada's 25 largest cities and represents 90% of the net population growth within the Region of Peel between 2016 and 2021, according to Statistics Canada.

PEEL TRANSITION IMPLEMENTATION ACT, 2025

The city is now the third-largest city in Ontario, behind Toronto and Ottawa, and we welcome more ability to make our own decisions and control over services our residents depend on. The regional governance review provides an opportunity to enable local decision making, improve processes and reduce red tape, while realizing operational savings in the long term.

Bill 45, Peel Transition Implementation Act, 2025 provides Brampton with more control over municipal services, however it requires careful consideration and clarification to ensure a smooth and effective transition of services and responsibilities.

The Act does not permanently transfer waste collection authority to lower-tier municipalities; instead, it suspends the Region's power to reclaim jurisdiction until December 31, 2035. As a result, Bill 45 does not establish permanent authority for lower-tier municipalities over waste collection as it does for roads and stormwater. The changes proposed in the legislation would result in the Region of Peel retaining the ability to resume control over waste collection after 2035. As the proposed changes do not clearly transfer authority of waste collection to the lower tiers, the ambiguity may lead to contractual issues during the complex process of dividing up single regional contracts among the lower tier municipalities. This necessitates regulatory measures to assign or distribute rights and obligations, therefore matters related to implementation of the transfer of regional waste collection services should be facilitated by the Office of the Provincial Land and Development Facilitator (OPLDF) process to ensure all aspects of the transfer of responsibilities and fully considered.

The transition process of authority over regional roads and associated stormwater process requires further clarity on asset transfers, contractual obligations, and authority over infrastructure such as stormwater systems draining regional lands not directly within or linked to highways. Furthermore, in conjunction with the transfer of jurisdiction over the Region's highways, the Act does not provide for the transfer of the Region's adjacent reserves or other lands acquired or suitable for potential road widening purposes. Also, in respect of regional road improvement or widening projects, which may involve replacement or upgrades to other regional infrastructure, consideration is needed to determine how those projects underway or soon to be commenced are to be managed. Consideration should also be given to any regional roads that are bounded by noise attenuation walls and whether those walls are on regional property or are the subject of agreements which impose obligations on the Region.

The proposed authority transfer date of January 2, 2026, for waste collection does not provide sufficient time to prepare for the assumption of waste collection, and which is necessary for a seamless and orderly transition that would ensure uninterrupted service delivery to the residents. The City of Brampton requests that transfer of authority over waste collection services from the Region of Peel to Mississauga, Brampton and Caledon go through the Office of the Provincial Land and Development Facilitator process to ensure sufficient time and processes for an orderly transfer.



REQUEST FOR COLLABORATION

Careful consideration and clarity are required to ensure a smooth and effective transition of services and responsibilities under the Peel Transition Implementation Act, 2025.

The City requests that all aspects of transfer of authority over regional roads and associated stormwater infrastructure, and waste collection from the Region of Peel to the three lower-tier municipalities of Mississauga, Brampton and Caledon be facilitated by the OPLDF to establish an adequate process.

REPRESENTATION BY POPULATION

Together with local decision-making, addressing representation at the Region of Peel Council is critical for the continued, effective operations of the Region. The City of Brampton population has outpaced Mississauga, yet our residents are underrepresented at the Regional Council.

Based on 2024 census data, the City of Brampton would be allocated 11 seats at regional council when determining representation based on population, which would ensure fairness.

In 2024, Brampton had a total population of 791,486, according to Statistics Canada, an increase of 17% or 135,006 people from the 2021 Census. Yet our representation at the Regional Council remains at nine significantly impacting Brampton's ability to advance population growth driven initiatives and projects.

POPULATION AND REGIONAL REPRESENTATION DISCREPANCY

	City of Brampton	City of Mississauga	Town of Caledon
Population (2024)	791,486	780,747	76,581
Region of Peel Council Representation	9	12	3

The City of Brampton's population has surpassed the population of the City of Mississauga and needs the regional representation to reflect this growth.

This has a direct impact on the decision-making, and operations of the Council, negatively impacting Brampton residents. The Municipal Act's requirement of a triple majority to change the composition of Council has prevented the residents of Brampton from having an equitable voice at Regional Government.

With rapid population growth, Brampton needs the province to enable local decision-making, while ensuring representation by population on the Regional Council, to ensure that regionally controlled services and decisions reflect Brampton's growth. Brampton residents deserve full and fair representation at the Region of Peel that includes all 10 elected Councillors and the Mayor.



REQUEST FOR COLLABORATION

Brampton is asking that the province initiate legislative changes to create fair and equal representation at the Region of Peel Council. This will be a significant step towards empowering the regional economy to meet the current and future needs of population and employment growth.

The City of Brampton supports the province's intention of helping the lower-tier municipalities in Peel Region to meet their growing needs and address their local challenges. Enabling greater local decision-making will support that goal, while allowing greater recognition for local needs and nuances.



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