

THE COUNTY OF WELLINGTON 2025 Budget Highlights

At the January 30 County Council meeting, Wellington County Council adopted its 2025 budget with a 3.9% increase to the County portion of property taxes. The budget makes significant investments in infrastructure, waste facilities, the housing and homelessness system, ambulance, long-term care, child care services, and the Ride Well Rural Transportation Service. Highlights of the 2025 Budget include:

- \$44.3 million in roads capital infrastructure and public works facilities including the construction of the new public works garage in Erin in 2025/26 and funding for the reconstruction of four bridges on Wellington Road 109 in Arthur over the next two years
- Facility upgrades at the Elora Transfer Station, providing similar infrastructure, working conditions and patron experience to the other four County waste facilities
- \$9.7 million in capital repairs and enhancements within its social and affordable housing units
- Funding for land acquisition for new Ambulance Station facilities to be located in the County
- Enhanced direct care hours at the Wellington Terrace Long-Term Care Home, supported by the Government of Ontario.
- Significant investment by the Federal government into Children's Early Years as a step towards more affordable child care for parents.
- Long-term commitment towards Ride Well Rural Transportation, the County's on-demand ride sharing service as supported by Provincial Gas Tax funding
- Adoption of a Diversion Centre model for waste facilities to divert more materials at the sites
- Implementation of the Home Energy Efficiency (HEET) Programme to provide low-cost loans to support residential energy efficiency projects

FINANCIAL SUMMARY AND STATISTICS

COUNTY TAX LEVY PROJECTION

	2025	2026	2027	2028	2029
County Tax Levy (\$000's)	\$139,580	\$147,297	\$155,315	\$163,207	\$171,122
Residential tax impact	3.9%	3.7%	3.6%	3.3%	3.0%
	2030	2031	2032	2033	2034
County Tax Levy (\$000's)	\$179,143	\$187,786	\$196,365	\$205,526	\$215,420

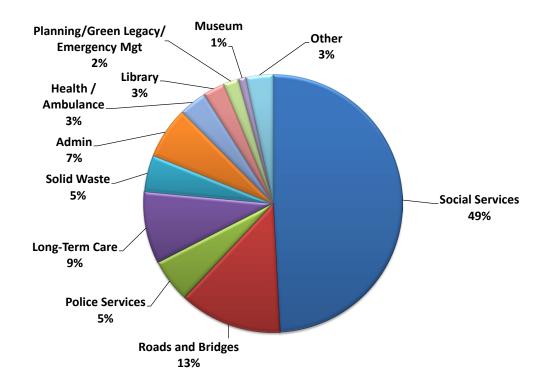
2025 OPERATING BUDGET

- ✓ Operating expenditure = \$362.5 million
- ✓ 2025 tax levy = \$139.6 million
- ✓ County tax impact = 3.9%, which results in an increase of 2.2% on the average residential property tax bill
- Residential tax impact per \$100,000 of assessment = \$27

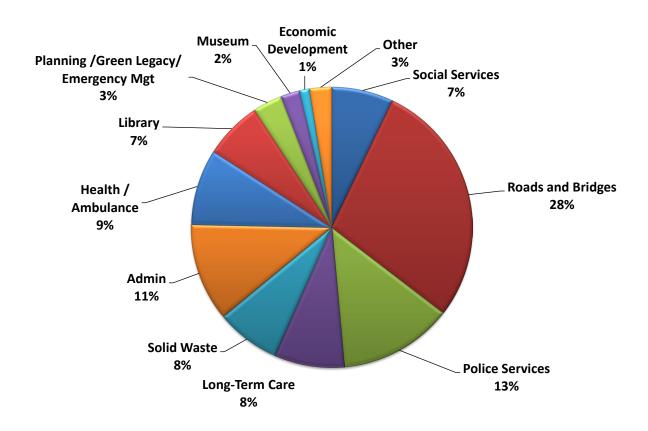
2025-34 CAPITAL BUDGET FORECAST

- ✓ Total 2025 capital investment = \$63.7 M
- ✓ Total 10-year capital investment = \$627.8 M
- ✓ New debt issues are projected to be \$84.0 million over ten-years and include \$18.8 million in tax-supported debt and \$65.2 million in growth-supported debt
- ✓ Total debt outstanding peaks at \$75.0 M in 2033

2025 OPERATING BUDGET EXPENDITURES - \$362.5 million



2025 COUNTY PROPERTY TAX REQUIREMENT - \$139.6 million



2025 OPERATING BUDGET REVENUES- \$362.5 million

