



Senior Government Funding Approved and Pending As of March 2026

Successful Applications 2025

Below is a high-level summary of each successful intergovernmental funding envelope that the City of Burlington received in 2025.

Federal

- **Canada Community Building Fund: \$6,122,570**
 - The Canada Community-Building Fund (CCBF) is a stable, predictable, and indexed source of funding provided up front to provinces and territories who, in turn, flow this funding to their communities. The funding allows local communities to make strategic investments in essential infrastructure, such as roads and bridges, public transit, drinking water and wastewater infrastructure, and recreational facilities.
 - The CCBF delivers over \$2.4 billion every year to over 3,700 communities across the country. Communities select how best to invest the funds, having the flexibility to make strategic investments across 19 different project categories

- **Housing Accelerator Fund: \$5,289,071**
 - The Housing Accelerator Fund (HAF) is a \$4 billion federal funding program for Canadian municipalities and Indigenous governments, with applications due in the summer of 2023. The primary purpose of the HAF is to create more supply of housing at a faster pace. Secondary objectives include: (1) supporting development of complete communities; (2) supporting development of affordable, inclusive, equitable and diverse communities; and (3), supporting development of low-carbon and climate resilient communities.
 - Funding is available over three years beginning with an advance to successful applicants on signing contribution agreements in the fall of 2023. Funding is proportional to the incremental number of residential units targeted by the recipient, based on a formula of \$20,000 per unit with adders for affordability, density and transit proximity.

- **Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM) Greening Canada's Community Canopies: \$324,140**

- GMF's Growing Canada's Community Canopies (GCCC) initiative helps communities plant the right type of trees in the right places—bringing multiple benefits to communities. Communities of all sizes and levels of urban forestry expertise can access tree planting support from GCCC's funding, coaching, learning resources and training.
- This project will add additional vegetation to a portion of Prospect Street to enhance shade coverage on protected bike lanes.

- **Active Transportation Fund: \$704,190**
 - The Government of Canada has allocated \$3 billion annually on average beginning in 2026-27 for permanent public transit programming under the Canada Public Transit Fund, a historic investment that will support transit in communities of all sizes across Canada. This also includes targeted funding for specific types of public transit and active transportation projects ranging from capital to planning.
 - This approach builds on the successful launch of the Active Transportation Fund in 2021. In support of Canada's National Active Transportation Strategy, the Government of Canada invested \$400 million over five years to support the expansion and enhancement of active transportation infrastructure, making travel by active transportation easier, safer, more convenient and more enjoyable.
 - The funds will go towards Prospect Street protected bike lane improvements.

- **Short-Term Rental Enforcement Fund: \$379,860**
 - The Short-Term Rental Enforcement Fund aims to limit short-term rentals that take away units from the long-term housing market across the country. The program provides grant funding to municipalities and Indigenous communities with existing strict regulatory regimes to support the local enforcement of short-term rental restrictions in an effort to make more long-term housing units available in Canada.
 - Burlington has used the funds to offset enforcement costs of its recently enacted Short Term Rental By-Law.

- **Canada Summer Jobs Grant: \$63,354**
 - Canada Summer Jobs is a program under the Youth Employment and Skills Strategy (YESS), which aims to provide quality summer employment opportunities for youth to develop skills and gain paid work experience to successfully transition into the labour market.



- The program provides wage subsidies to support employers from not-for-profit organizations and the public sector, as well as private sector organizations with 50 or fewer full-time employees, to create quality summer work experiences for youth aged 15 to 30 years.
- **Celebrate Canada Grant: \$20,000**
 - The Celebrate Canada program provides funding for activities organized on: National Indigenous Peoples Day (June 21), Saint-Jean-Baptiste Day (June 24), Canadian Multiculturalism Day (June 27), Canada Day (July 1)
 - Burlington utilized the funding to support its 2025 Canada Day programming for residents and visitors.
- **Green Municipal Fund, Zero-Carbon Transformation: \$5,816**
 - GMF's Net-Zero Transformation offer helps communities deliver tangible benefits—like cleaner air, efficient infrastructure and a better quality of life—while accelerating the transition to net-zero emissions.
 - Designed for municipalities of all sizes and their partners, it supports innovative, high-impact projects that fall outside the scope of other GMF funding streams. From planning and feasibility to pilots and full implementation, this offer reduces risk and drives bold climate action. We fund plans, feasibility studies, pilots and capital projects that support outstanding projects by all Canadian municipalities in various areas of innovation.
 - The funding was utilized for the Tyandaga Eco Trail Upgrades.

Provincial

- **Provincial Gas Tax: \$2,674,780**
 - The Ontario government is investing almost \$380 million to help 102 municipalities improve local transit through the 2023-24 Gas Tax program. The funding can be used to expand service hours, increase routes, purchase new vehicles and improve accessibility to increase transit ridership.
- **Encampment Response Initiative: \$503,000**
 - The Ontario government is providing up to \$75.5 million to communities throughout the province to create more emergency shelter spaces and affordable housing units that will provide vulnerable Ontarians with

appropriate short-term and long-term housing alternatives to encampments.

- As the municipal service manager, Halton Region received \$3,649,669, of which, \$503,000 went towards a Burlington-based encampment response initiative.
- **Investing in Canada Infrastructure Program (Community & Culture Stream): \$68,820**
 - The Investing in Canada Infrastructure Program (ICIP) is one way the Government of Canada is delivering funding to communities through the Investing in Canada Plan. The program provides long-term, stable funding delivered by Housing, Infrastructure and Communities Canada to: Help communities reduce air and water pollution, provide clean water, increase resilience to climate change and create a clean-growth economy; Build strong, dynamic and inclusive communities; and Ensure Canadian families have access to modern, reliable services that improve their quality of life.
 - Under ICIP, over \$33-billion in funding is being delivered through bilateral agreements between Housing, Infrastructure and Communities Canada and each of the provinces and territories.
 - This funding goes towards the Civic Square Renewal Project.
- **Fire Protection Grant: \$66,204**
 - As part of its plan to protect Ontario and keep communities safe, the Ontario government is increasing this year's Fire Protection Grant funding from \$10 million to \$20 million. The investment will help municipal fire departments expand cancer prevention initiatives and improve emergency response to lithium-ion battery related incidents.
 - The Fire Protection Grant is available to municipal fire departments for both new and existing initiatives. Eligible projects include: Equipment, supplies and personal protective equipment that enhance municipal cancer prevention initiatives; Equipment and supplies for lithium-ion battery incident response; Minor infrastructure upgrades and modernization, including enhanced broadband and internet connectivity
- **Next Generation 9-1-1: \$49,590**
 - The funding is part of the government's \$208 million investment to help municipalities and emergency response centres upgrade infrastructure and technology to support the transition to Next Generation 9-1-1. These

upgrades include new telephone systems, call handling systems and internal network and cyber security infrastructure.

- Once fully implemented, Next Generation 9-1-1 will make it easier to provide additional details about emergency situations such as video from the scene of an accident and to text 9-1-1 when requesting immediate help from police, fire or ambulance services. It will also give emergency operators and dispatchers the ability to identify the location of a call using GPS coordinates, resulting in a safer, faster and more informed emergency response.
- **Seniors Active Living Centres Program: \$61,428**
 - Ontario's Seniors Active Living Centres (SALC) program supports over 300 (expanding to 400+) community hubs providing seniors and older adults with social, cultural, and recreational activities. These government-funded, often free-or-low-cost, programs foster active living, reduce social isolation, and help individuals stay independent.
 - These resources went towards the Adult and Adult 55+ Programming offerings for senior Burlington residents.

Successful & Pending Applications 2026

Please see below for a summary of intergovernmental funding applications submitted to date in 2026, as well as existing opportunities currently being evaluated by city staff.

Federal

- **Canada Public Transit Fund, Baseline Funding: \$1,397,811**
 - The Canada Public Transit Fund is a historic investment that will support transit in communities of all sizes across Canada. Announced in 2024, the Fund will provide \$3 billion per year for public transit and active transportation infrastructure, beginning in 2026-27. The Fund will provide stable and predictable funding to address long-term transit goals.
 - Baseline Funding will provide predictable, long-term funding (10 years) to communities with existing transit systems to support routine investments, with an expected focus on public transit and active transportation system expansions, improvements, and state of good repair.

- **Short-Term Rental Enforcement Fund: \$379,860**
 - The Short-Term Rental Enforcement Fund aims to limit short-term rentals that take away units from the long-term housing market across the country. The program provides grant funding to municipalities and Indigenous communities with existing strict regulatory regimes to support the local enforcement of short-term rental restrictions in an effort to make more long-term housing units available in Canada.
 - Burlington has used the funds to offset enforcement costs of its Short-Term Rental By-Law.

- **Green and Inclusive Community Buildings Program: \$1,000,000**
 - In 2020, the Government of Canada announced up to \$1.5 billion in federal funding over five years to establish the Green and Inclusive Community Buildings (GICB) program. On April 16, 2024, the Government of Canada released Budget 2024 which provided a \$500 million top-up and extended the program until March 2029.
 - The GICB Program supports the first pillar of the Strengthened Climate Plan by improving the places Canadians live and gather by cutting pollution (e.g. reducing GHG emissions, increasing energy efficiency, building resiliency to climate change and encouraging new builds to net zero standards), making life more affordable and supporting thousands of good jobs.
 - These funds will support the construction of the Skyway Community Centre and Park improvements.

- **Canada Public Transit Fund, Metro-Region Agreement: Pending Funding Determination**
 - Metro-Region Agreements will support the long-term development of public transit infrastructure in large urban areas. Through these agreements, the federal government will allocate funding and work with our partners to support the planning and construction of a broad range of projects, including major expansion.
 - Burlington is participating in Ministry of Transportation's application to advance further transit connectivity in the Greater Golden Horseshoe Region.

- **Green Municipal Fund, Safe and Active School Routes: Pending Funding Determination**



- This program funds new or improved active transportation infrastructure along school routes in your community, including quick-build or permanent features such as pathways, sidewalks, bike lanes, crossings and safety enhancements—along with knowledge and capacity to implement these improvements effectively.
- Burlington has submitted an application to install protected bike lanes and other traffic calming measures along Palladium Way in Ward 6.

Provincial

- **Fire Protection Grant: \$135,808**
 - As part of its plan to protect Ontario and keep communities safe, the Ontario government is increasing this year's Fire Protection Grant funding from \$10 million to \$20 million. The investment will help municipal fire departments expand cancer prevention initiatives and improve emergency response to lithium-ion battery related incidents.
 - The Fire Protection Grant is available to municipal fire departments for both new and existing initiatives. Eligible projects include: Equipment, supplies and personal protective equipment that enhance municipal cancer prevention initiatives; Equipment and supplies for lithium-ion battery incident response; Minor infrastructure upgrades and modernization, including enhanced broadband and internet connectivity.
- **Next Generation 9-1-1: \$359,440**
 - As part of its plan to protect Ontario, the government is investing almost \$22 million to help municipalities and emergency response centres support the transition to a new 9-1-1 communications system known as Next Generation 9-1-1.
 - Once fully implemented, Next Generation 9-1-1 will make it easier to provide additional details about emergency situations such as video from the scene of an accident and to text 9-1-1 when requesting immediate help from police, fire or ambulance services. It will also give emergency operators and dispatchers the ability to identify the location of a call using GPS coordinates, resulting in a safer, faster and more informed emergency response.
- **Archistar A.I. Permit Pilot Project: \$562,000**
 - To support the deployment and application of Burlington's partnership with Archistar, an A.I.-powered municipal land use permitting application, the

provincial government provided the municipality with two years of pilot project funding and progress reporting requirements to evaluate the application's merits and potential utility in other Ontario jurisdictions.

- Pending funding release from the Ministry.

- **Health and Safety Water Stream: Pending Funding Determination**
 - The Health and Safety Water Stream will help municipalities and First Nations build, expand or rehabilitate aging water, wastewater, stormwater, flood and erosion infrastructure. These projects will help preserve the current housing supply and protect communities during extreme weather events.
 - \$175 million in funding is available through the Health and Safety Water Stream under the Municipal Housing Infrastructure Program. Burlington submitted its Spruce Avenue Culvert Replacement under Tuck Creek project.

- **Seniors Active Living Centres Grant Program: Pending Funding Determination**
 - The Seniors Active Living Centres (SALC) Program funds SALC operators to deliver individual SALC programs. SALC programs help build healthier and safer communities and address the long-term growth and needs of an aging population by:
 - Helping reduce health care costs associated with physical inactivity and falls;
 - Reducing social isolation, a risk factor for abuse and linked to negative physical and mental health outcomes; and
 - Providing seniors with services they need and improving service access. SALC programs serve as hubs in their communities.
 - Activities and services are open to all older adults and seniors (i.e., not restricted to members), and programs provide information and referrals to other services and programs in their community.