



Township of Hamilton

# Resident Newsletter

Winter/Spring 2026

## 2026 Budget

Strong Today. Resilient Tomorrow.

**TOTAL BUDGET  
\$16.9M**

**OPERATING BUDGET** **CAPITAL BUDGET**  
**\$14M** **\$2.9M**

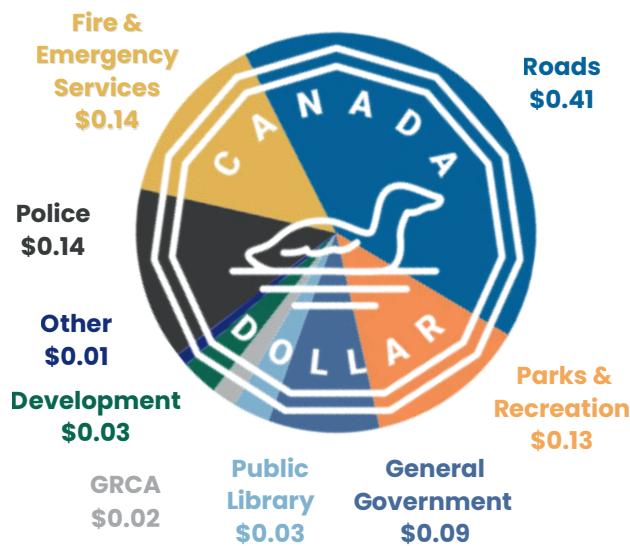
**NET LEVY INCREASE**

**5.7%**

(Factoring MPAC assessment growth of 1%)

The Township keeps 45% of the Property Tax Revenue collected. Northumberland County receives 44%, and the School Boards receive 11%.

Every dollar that the Township keeps is allocated to the following operating services:



Read the complete budget package and learn more by visiting [hamiltontownship.ca/budget](http://hamiltontownship.ca/budget)

## Property Tax Due Dates

**February 26, 2026**

**June 2026\***

**September 2026\***

Property tax bills are mailed at the end of January and May.

Property owners are responsible for ensuring bills are received and paid on time. Please ensure the Tax Clerk has your correct mailing address.

\*final first and second installment dates to be determined.

## Waste & Recycling Program Updates

Available online or at the Township Office



Northumberland County's recycling services are now part of Ontario's province-wide program, managed by Circular Materials Ontario. Your curbside collection schedule and bins remain the same, but more items may now be accepted.

For details on accepted materials, collection reminders, or replacement bins, visit [northumberland.ca/garbage](http://northumberland.ca/garbage) and check the 2026 Recycling Guide.

## Winter Parking

Winter is here, and our Public Works team is hard at work monitoring conditions and sanding roads to keep everyone safe. Please adjust your speed for winter driving conditions and give snowplows and sanders plenty of space.

Residents are reminded that winter parking restrictions are in effect from November 1 to April 30. Parking is not permitted on Township roads or rights-of-way between 11:00 p.m. and 6:00 a.m. Keeping roads clear helps crews do their job and reduces the risk of fines or towing.



## Broadband Expansion in Northumberland County

A major broadband expansion project is underway across Northumberland County to bring fast, reliable high-speed internet to more than 11,000 homes and businesses. Current construction involves installing new fibre-optic infrastructure that will support speeds up to 1 Gbps, helping close long-standing gaps in rural connectivity.

Residents will receive information and consent forms as construction progresses in their area. Signing does not obligate you to purchase service, but ensures your home can be connected now or in the future!

For updates on construction timelines and how to prepare for connectivity, visit [northumberland.ca/broadband](http://northumberland.ca/broadband)

## Senior Homeowners' Property Tax Grant

**Did you know?** If you are a low to moderate income senior, you may be eligible for support through the provincial government. Visit [hamiltontownship.ca/tax-incentive-programs](http://hamiltontownship.ca/tax-incentive-programs) or call 1-866-668-8297 for more information.

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## 2026 Municipal Election

The 2026 municipal election is your opportunity to help shape the future of the Township of Hamilton.

All eligible residents are encouraged to register to vote, stay informed, and review candidate information. Sign up for election updates and notifications to ensure you don't miss important deadlines by visiting [hamiltontownship.ca/elections](http://hamiltontownship.ca/elections).

Voting is your chance to have a direct impact on the community you live in - make your voice heard!

Register today.

[RegisterToVoteON.ca](http://RegisterToVoteON.ca)  
1.866.242.3025

## March Break & Summer Day Camps

Our Parks and Recreations Department offers fun, safe, and engaging day camps for children ages 4 - 10 during March Break and throughout the summer. Our camps focus on active play, creativity, and making new friends through a variety of games, crafts, and outdoor activities in a welcoming environment.

Program details, dates, and registration information are released seasonally. To learn more about March Break and Summer Day Camps and to stay up to date, visit [hamiltontownship.ca/camp](http://hamiltontownship.ca/camp)



The Township of Hamilton has a variety of rental spaces for celebrations, meetings, programs and activities. Call us today at 905-372-5662 to inquire about booking ice time, planning a party or activity on the indoor turf, or to find an accommodating space for professional gatherings.

**NEW**

**Carbon Monoxide (CO) Safety Requirements changed January 1, 2026**



**Requirements apply to all existing homes that have any of the following:**

- A fuel-burning appliance (furnace, water heater, or stove that uses natural gas, propane, oil, or wood)
- A fireplace
- An attached garage
- Air for heating that comes from a fuel burning appliance not contained within the home (an appliance in a utility shed)

**Common types of homes include:**

- Detached or Semi-Detached Houses
- Townhouses • Cottages

**Where Must CO Alarms Be Installed?**

If your home meets any of the conditions above, you must install a CO alarm in these two locations:

1. Adjacent to each sleeping area
2. On every storey (floor) of your home, including storeys that do not have a sleeping area.



For more information call our Fire Prevention Officer.  
(905)372-9891

## Meet Our Chief Administrative Officer

The Township of Hamilton is pleased to announce the appointment of Brian Gilmer as its new Chief Administrative Officer (CAO). Mr. Gilmer brings extensive municipal experience and a strong background in organizational and strategic planning.



With strong local ties and a demonstrated commitment to effective governance, Brian is known for his collaborative leadership style and community-focused approach.

Brian officially assumed his duties on January 5, 2026, providing guidance to the Township's administration, supporting Council, and advancing community priorities.

The Township of Hamilton welcomes Brian to the organization and looks forward to advancing strategic priorities and continuing to deliver high-quality municipal services.

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