

# Budget 2023

## HISTORIC HELP FOR MANITOBANS

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### Budget in Brief



Manitoba





# Budget 2023: Historic Help for Manitobans

Budget 2023 is a plan to provide historic help for Manitobans when they need it most.

It balances historic tax changes with investments in the services Manitobans rely on, creating new opportunities for all Manitobans.

## **Budget 2023 is focused on:**

- **historic help for Manitobans**
- **safer streets**
- **healing health care**
- **stronger communities**
- **opportunities ahead**



# Historic Help for Manitobans

Budget 2023 includes historic investments that will bring total tax and affordability measures to more than \$1.8-billion between 2022 and 2024, providing \$5,500 in total savings for the average two-income family by 2024.

- \$311-million in tax relief through an increase to the Basic Personal Amount in 2023, saving the average two-income family more than \$1,000 this year compared to 2022
- \$160-million to increase income tax bracket thresholds to \$47,000 and \$100,000 in 2024
- combined, the Basic Personal Amount and tax bracket enhancements will save the average two-income family more than \$1,250 in 2024
- increasing the School Tax Rebate to 50 per cent on farm and residential properties, saving the average homeowner \$774 this year
- \$190-million to reduce payments charged to Manitoba Hydro, saving Manitoba Hydro and ratepayers more than \$4-billion over the next 20 years
- increases to the minimum wage in April and October, bringing it to \$15 per hour
- Family Affordability Package and the Carbon Tax Relief Fund payments provided the average family with \$825 since fall 2022 to combat rising costs

A photograph of two young girls riding bicycles on a paved path outdoors. The girl in the foreground is wearing a purple helmet and a patterned top, smiling. The girl behind her is also wearing a helmet and a pink top. The background shows greenery and a building.

# Safer Streets

Budget 2023 includes an historic investment of more than \$100-million to address the challenges of violent crime and homelessness across Manitoba.

- \$51.8-million for Manitoba's Violent Crime Strategy over two years, with \$34.6-million allocated this year
- more than \$51-million for Manitoba's Homelessness Strategy
- \$3.6-million for the Downtown Community Safety Partnership to build a safer, more inviting downtown Winnipeg for businesses and residents
- \$100,000 to support ongoing operations of the Winnipeg Bear Clan Patrol Inc.
- \$9.4-million for 1,000 new treatment spaces for providers of substance use and addictions treatment services across Manitoba
- \$1-million to support expansion of crisis stabilization unit beds and tele-psychiatry services to expand access to Manitobans living in rural and remote communities
- \$1.5-million in child and youth mental health services to improve access and reduce wait times
- investing \$600,000 for flexible-length community residential withdrawal management beds in Brandon



# Healing Health Care

Budget 2023 includes an historic investment of \$7.9-billion in the health care system, providing \$668-million more to heal health care for Manitobans.

- \$130-million to reduce the diagnostic and surgical backlog
- continuing to invest \$200-million into the Health Human Resource Action Plan
- a \$120-million infusion to the Pharmacare program, including extending coverage for insulin pumps for eligible adults with Type 1 and Type 2 diabetes
- \$1.2-billion in multi-year capital investments in rural hospitals and other health infrastructure, in addition to renovations in Winnipeg to the St. Boniface Hospital, the Grace Hospital, CancerCare Manitoba and the Health Sciences Centre
- creating a new Hearing Aid Program for seniors
- an additional \$15.9-million to advance initiatives under the seniors strategy
- \$55-million to implement the recommendations from the Stevenson report on long-term care
- ongoing funding for RAAM clinics, including a new clinic in Winnipeg, which will be Indigenous-led through a partnership with the Aboriginal Health and Wellness Centre



# Stronger Communities

Budget 2023 includes an historic investment of \$217-million in total municipal operating funding – \$47-million more than last year and the largest increase in a decade.

- \$268.5-million in capital expenditures to build, renovate and expand more schools
- \$100-million in new funding for school divisions
- more than \$81-million to Community Living and Children’s disABILITY Services agencies for a funded average wage of \$19/hour, bringing the total budget for disability services to an historic \$640-million this year
- \$76.1-million to reduce regulated parent fees for child care to \$10 per day
- \$8.7-million to support recycling, composting and waste diversion initiatives
- \$50-million for the Arts, Culture and Sport in Community Fund
- \$10-million to support a new Parks Capital Plan



# Opportunities Ahead

Budget 2023 makes an historic investment in infrastructure and other initiatives that will transform Manitoba into a global trade and transportation corridor.

- more than \$2.5-billion in trade-enabling highway infrastructure over the next five years
- a total of up to \$160.4-million on an on-going basis for cost-shared investments in municipal capital projects, including water and wastewater projects
- \$147.6-million over two years in the Hudson Bay rail line to the Port of Churchill
- an additional \$50 million contribution to the Venture Capital Fund to grow businesses in Manitoba
- \$2.3-million to increase the payroll tax exemption and the reduced rate threshold
- \$92.5-million in funding to support post-secondary education and the labour market
- \$2-million for the expansion of the Newcomer Community Integration Support Program
- \$103.1-million contribution to AgrilInsurance premiums to help protect producers against crop production shortfalls caused by adverse weather events
- increased investments in mining activities, expanding opportunities for northern and Indigenous communities

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