



2023 Annual Report

THE CANADA COMMUNITY-BUILDING FUND

PART 1

Letter from the AMO PRESIDENT



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As municipalities across the province face mounting pressure to maintain existing infrastructure and meet the growing demand for new homes, ensuring communities have modern, reliable infrastructure is crucial. The Canada Community-Building Fund (CCBF) provides stable, permanent funding that helps address infrastructure needs to facilitate growth, enhance quality of life and build thriving, future-ready municipalities.

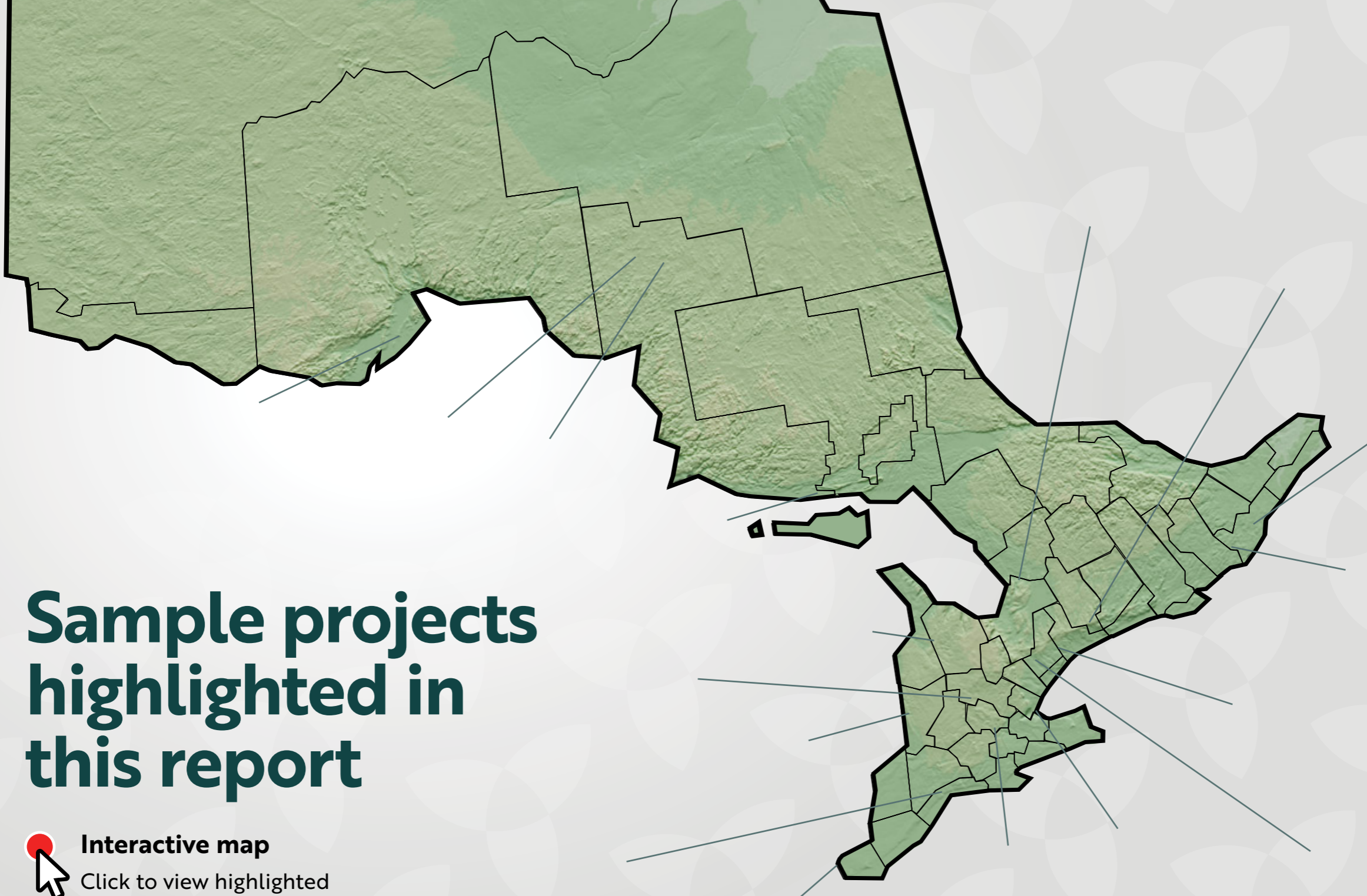
The Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO) plays a pivotal role in administering this vital infrastructure funding program to municipalities across the province, excluding the City of Toronto. Over \$10 billion has been invested in more than 13,500 projects since 2005.

The CCBF is more than just a funding program; it is a catalyst for positive change and growth within Ontario's municipalities. The Fund is invested in projects that directly benefit local communities, and it enhances municipal governments' ability to build and maintain the infrastructure essential for both current needs and future development. From upgrading roads and bridges to expanding water and wastewater systems, the projects supported by the CCBF are laying the groundwork for sustainable and prosperous communities.

Our 2023 Annual Report showcases the wide range of infrastructure investments made across the CCBF's 18 project categories. These investments help us achieve our national objectives - growing our economy, promoting a cleaner environment, and building stronger communities. Additionally, AMO highlights these investments year-round on its dedicated CCBF website, www.buildingcommunities.ca, which features hundreds of project [profiles](#) and an interactive project [map](#). I encourage you to follow the CCBF in Ontario on [X](#), [Instagram](#) and [LinkedIn](#) - and to view videos celebrating CCBF investments in communities across Ontario on our [YouTube channel](#), including videos of [2023's projects](#).

Sincerely,

Robin Jones - AMO President



Sample projects highlighted in this report



Interactive map

Click to view highlighted investment profiles.

The Canada Community-Building Fund

The Canada Community-Building Fund (CCBF) provides permanent and stable federal funding for local infrastructure. Communities across Canada received \$2.4 billion in 2023. Ontario's share came to \$891 million. Funds were distributed to municipalities on a per-capita basis.

Funds can be invested in the construction, enhancement, and/or renewal of local infrastructure, used to improve long-term plans and asset management systems, shared with other communities to achieve common goals, or banked to support future projects. The Fund is flexible; local governments decide how funds can be best directed to address local priorities.

This report showcases how municipalities receiving CCBF funds through AMO invested \$808 million in 2023 – and demonstrates the impact on communities, residents, and businesses in the province. [Part II](#) of this report provides more in-depth analysis. Detailed financial information, compliance statements, and descriptions of projects supported by the Fund are provided in [Part III](#).



PRODUCTIVITY AND ECONOMIC GROWTH

-  Broadband Connectivity
-  Local and Regional Airports
-  Local Roads and Bridges
-  Public Transit
-  Short-Line Rail
-  Short-Sea Shipping

CLEAN ENVIRONMENT

-  Brownfield Redevelopment
-  Community Energy Systems
-  Drinking Water
-  Solid Waste
-  Wastewater

STRONG CITIES AND COMMUNITIES

-  Capacity-Building
-  Culture
-  Disaster Mitigation
-  Fire Stations
-  Recreation
-  Sport
-  Tourism

2023 projects & investments

Arts & activities

362 Active Projects **\$86,792,830**

Recreation	\$69,811,583
Culture	\$10,082,409
Sports	\$6,519,432
Tourism	\$379,405

Public transit

65 Active Projects **\$72,364,040**

Public transit	\$72,364,040
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Water & wastewater

190 Active Projects **\$46,344,425**

Wastewater	\$35,775,165
Drinking water	\$10,569,261

Environmental management

110 Active Projects **\$30,146,234**

Community Energy Systems	\$19,368,726
Solid Waste	\$10,716,391
Brownfield Redevelopment	\$61,117

Other

146 Active Projects **\$17,432,609**

Fire Stations	\$7,860,648
Broadband Connectivity	\$5,340,468
Capacity-Building	\$2,667,120
Disaster Mitigation	\$1,406,057
Regional and Local Airports	\$158,316

Roads & Bridges

1445 Active Projects **\$555,112,425**

Roads	\$450,360,127
Bridges & culverts	\$84,897,311
Active transportation	\$15,770,854





Broadband Connectivity

Investments that provide Internet access to residents, businesses, and institutions such as:

- Laying fibre-optic cable to bring broadband Internet access to a community;
- Installing servers, towers, repeaters, and other elements of an Internet backbone;
- Installing receivers, dishes, and other assets to expand satellite capacity; and/or
- Laying fibre-optic cable to connect households, businesses, and institutions to an Internet backbone.



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Projects Funded



50 km

of fibre-optic cable installed or replaced



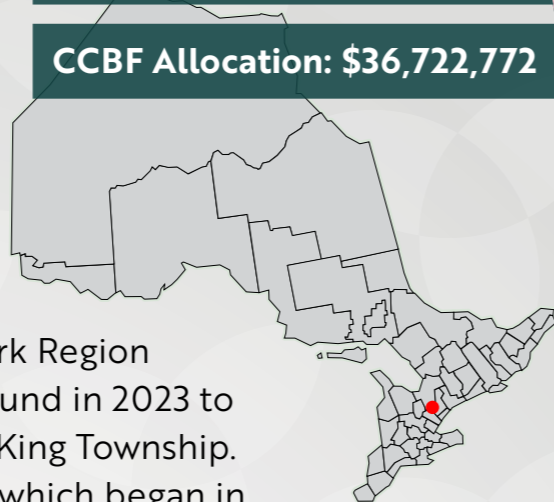


Broadband Connectivity

Regional Municipality of York

Population: 1,173,103

CCBF Allocation: \$36,722,772

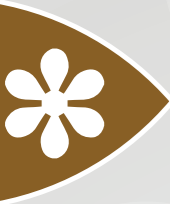


To improve the delivery of regional services, and provide faster internet to residents, York Region invested \$600,000 from the Fund in 2023 to install a dark fibre network in King Township. This is part of a larger project, which began in 2018, to bring dark fibre to the entire region.

In the more rural areas of the region, broadband can be unreliable and expensive, often at less than half the speed you would expect in a city. This is often because of a lack of infrastructure, which York Region is now working to provide. Fiber-optic networks are a reliable way to access high-speed broadband and this project will provide fast, consistent service – not only for King Township’s existing residents, but also for a growing population of remote workers.

In 2023, York Region installed several kilometers of cables in high-priority areas, where the service is particularly slow or unreliable, with even more installations planned. The new network is already bringing internet to dozens of homes, businesses, and municipal buildings in Glenville and Newmarket.





Brownfield Redevelopment

Investments that result in the remediation or decontamination – and subsequent redevelopment – of a brownfield site such as:

- Removing and replacing contaminated soil prior to the construction of publicly owned social housing;
- Installing geotextiles to control contaminants before building a new recreation facility; and/or
- Pumping and treating contaminated groundwater prior to the construction of a new park.



1

Projects Funded



1

site redeveloped for the construction of public parks





Brownfield Redevelopment

City of Kitchener

Population: 256,885

CCBF Allocation: \$7,718,266

What was once a landfill in the City of Kitchener has been repurposed into a community park.

Elmsdale Park is a 2.5-hectare green space located in a densely populated area of the city. More than four decades ago, the area was a landfill. After its closure, the property was cleaned up and left as a grassy field.

In 2017, Kitchener surveyed the public to see what should be done with the park. Residents said they wanted to see basketball and volleyball courts, a large chess game and a picnic area, among other amenities.

But initial work revealed the ground over top of the landfill was still shifting and settling, making it difficult for the city to install concrete surfaces. In 2020, the city re-evaluated its plan and increased the budget for the park to make the necessary underground improvements to implement residents' ideas.

With contributions from the CCBF, Kitchener improved the methane vent system and existing soil cap. These improvements made it possible to add a playground, sand volleyball court, picnic tables, crushed gravel walking paths, a wildflower meadow, new trees and bench seating.





Capacity-Building

Investments that strengthen municipal capacity for long-term planning such as:

- Studies, strategies, and systems related to asset management;
- Training directly related to asset management planning; and/or
- Developing asset management plans, capital investment plans, integrated community sustainability plans, and long-term infrastructure plans.



82

Projects Funded



336

assets with updated condition data





Capacity-Building

Huron County

Population: 61,340

CCBF Allocation: \$1,962,379

Severe weather events are becoming everyday occurrences as climate change progresses. The County of Huron is investing \$26,000 from the Fund to prepare today for the future impacts of climate change on its infrastructure.



In 2023, the County began a climate risk assessment for its bridges and culverts. The assessment evaluates how the municipality's infrastructure would hold up during a severe weather event. With much of Huron County's infrastructure being near Lake Huron, the risk of damage to bridges and culverts with heavy rains, flooding, or spring thaws could impact travel routes and major highways.

In all, the County is looking at 291 structures – including 210 bridges and 81 culverts – and assessing their current condition based on projected changes in weather and climate, including the likelihood of more extreme weather events over their lifespan.

Investments from the Fund are instrumental in completing this work. This project allows staff and Council to better prepare for the impacts of climate change on local infrastructure and their ability to provide needed services to residents for the long term. The findings from the assessment will also help the County better prioritize capital projects for the coming years.





Community Energy Systems

Investments that generate energy or increase energy efficiency such as:

- Designing and constructing district energy systems;
- Installing solar panels to generate electricity;
- Constructing a cogeneration plant; and/or
- Installing energy-efficient lighting and heating systems.



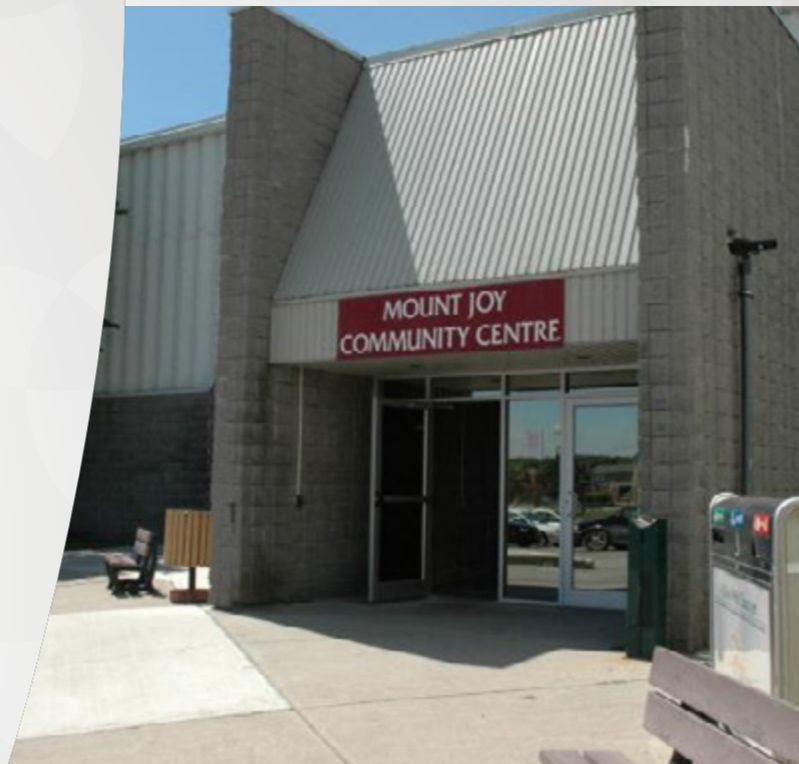
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Projects Funded



73,000

energy-efficient
streetlights installed



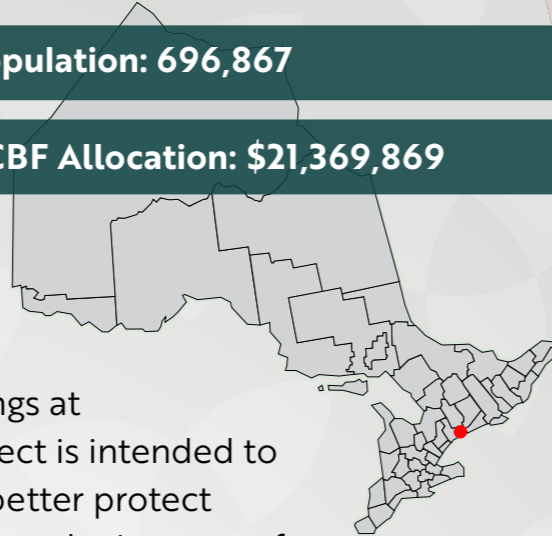


Community Energy Systems

Region of Durham

Population: 696,867

CCBF Allocation: \$21,369,869



Durham Region is investing in a multi-year deep energy retrofit project at one of its senior living apartment buildings at 655 Harwood in Ajax. This project is intended to reduce energy consumption, better protect vulnerable elderly residents from the impacts of climate change and make the building more climate resilient.

Durham is investing \$6.8 million from the Fund into multiple upgrades at 655 Harwood. Most notable is the installation of in-suite cooling for each apartment and a new emergency generator. This will ensure residents are never left without electricity or air conditioning – safeguarding them from the dangers of extreme heat.

Additionally, upgrades will make the building energy efficient and reduce greenhouse gas emissions. The target is a minimum of 48 per cent reduction in energy use, and the Region estimates upgrades to the building will reduce carbon emissions by 79 tonnes, which is an overall reduction of 3 per cent across the Region’s entire housing portfolio.





Culture

Investments that support the arts, humanities, and heritage such as:

- Expanding libraries and community centres;
- Restoring heritage sites and buildings; and/or
- Constructing art galleries and performing arts centres.



47

Projects Funded



8

libraries, museums, heritage sites, or arts facilities constructed or renovated





Culture

Municipality of Tweed

Population: 6,067

CCBF Allocation: \$200,021



A historic community building that serves as a social and cultural space in the Municipality of Tweed re-opened in 2023 after significant renovations supported in-part by the Fund.

The Queensborough Community Centre is located in the small hamlet of Queensborough, north of the Village of Tweed. It was originally built in 1901 as a schoolhouse and was later converted into a community centre. A wooden addition was added to the single-story brick masonry building in 2010. Most recently, the Municipality invested in upgrades to the parking lot, including improvements to storm drainage, and expanded the building to add public washrooms. Workers also addressed structural issues caused by previous water damage to the building.

These upgrades improve serviceability, including accessibility of the building and washroom facilities. Additionally, the community centre acts as an emergency shelter location for residents in the north end of the municipality. With these renovations complete, the municipality is better positioned to offer services at the Queensborough Community Centre - even during a severe weather event.

Queensborough residents are delighted that a local historical landmark and community space is back open for activities and events.





Disaster Mitigation

Investments that reduce or eliminate long-term impacts and risks associated with natural disasters such as:

- Building dams and dikes to reduce the risk of flooding;
- Restoring wetlands and other natural infrastructure to redirect and capture rainwater;
- Constructing firebreaks to limit the spread of wildfires; and/or
- Installing retaining walls, gabions, and revetments to control erosion.



22

Projects Funded



5

protective structures
built or renewed



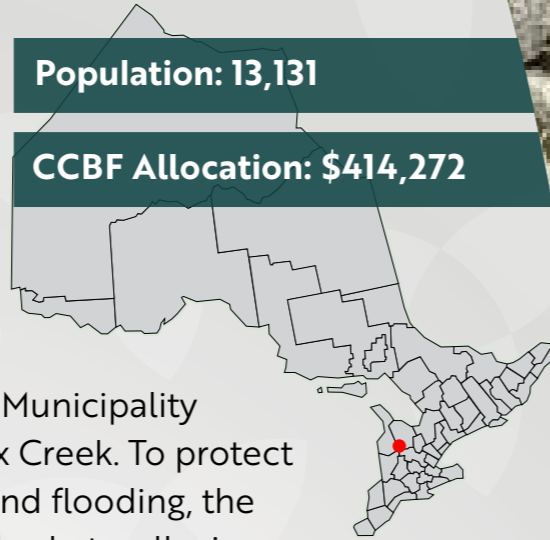


Disaster Mitigation

Municipality of West Grey

Population: 13,131

CCBF Allocation: \$414,272



Several commercial and residential properties on the west side of Mill Street in Neustadt – a community in the Municipality of West Grey – back on to Meux Creek. To protect these properties from erosion and flooding, the Municipality installed a gabion basket wall – i.e., a wall of wire nets filled with rocks and soil – along the edge of the creek in the late 1970s. The baskets had gradually deteriorated in the time since.

The Municipality of West Grey therefore invested \$100,000 from the Fund to reinforce about 100 m of the wall in 2023 – ensuring the continued protection of these homes and businesses from erosion and flooding. Gabion baskets along the lower part of the wall were reinforced with concrete, steel, and riprap to restore the structural integrity of the wall. Gaps in the baskets were filled with rocks; steel provided an extra layer of protection.

West Grey's investment of the Fund into this critical infrastructure project means residents can rest easy knowing that their homes and businesses are better protected from floods and erosion.





Drinking Water

Investments that support drinking water conservation, collection, treatment and distribution systems such as:

- Replacing watermains and service pipes;
- Upgrading or improving water treatment plants;
- Installing smart water meters; and/or
- Building water towers and standpipes.



62

Projects Funded



6 km

of watermain
rehabilitated or
replaced





Drinking Water

Township of Mattice-Val Côté

Population: 542

CCBF Allocation: \$42,890



The Township of Mattice-Val Côté invested nearly \$12,000 from the CCBF to upgrade a water treatment plant in 2023 – improving the quality of water services provided to residents, protecting downstream infrastructure, and cutting energy consumption.

Before the upgrade, the water pump in the plant was either on or off. While on, it ran at maximum capacity and sent as much water as possible into the main. The flow ceased when the pump was off. When consumers turned on their taps, the sudden activation of the pump would create a “water hammer” – a pressure surge accompanied by a loud noise. Water hammering wears pipes down over time and can introduce particulates into the water, turning it yellow or brown.

The Township installed a new variable frequency device and high-lift pump in the plant to gradually adjust water flow instead. The variable frequency device measures how much water is needed at any given time and adjusts the speed of the pump to meet that need. Together they reduce energy consumption and prevent water hammering – delivering water based on consumer demand, reducing the volume of unnecessary water being pumped into the distribution system, and protecting the main and other downstream components.





Fire Stations

Investments in the construction, improvement, or renewal of fire stations such as:

- Constructing a fire station to extend fire services to a new neighbourhood;
- Renovating a fire station to address a leaking roof; and/or
- Expanding a fire station to accommodate a new vehicle.



22

Projects Funded



14

fire stations built or renovated



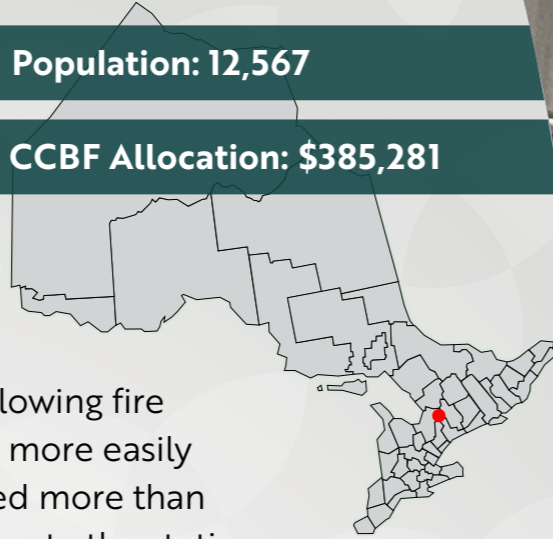


Fire Stations

Township of Brock

Population: 12,567

CCBF Allocation: \$385,281



Changes to the Beaverton fire station in the Township of Brock made room for a new 110-foot aerial platform truck, allowing fire fighters to reach greater heights more easily and safely. The Township invested more than \$100,000 from the Fund to renovate the station – increasing ceiling and bay door heights and improving insulation.

The new truck means fire crews can provide better emergency services. Since the purchase of the aerial truck and completion of the fire station renovations, the newest addition to the fleet sees lots of use. As the lead vehicle in Beaverton’s station fleet, it is usually the first to respond to dangerous situations, averaging 180 dispatches a year. There have been multiple incidents where the extra height the truck offers allowed fire crews to reach tall buildings that would have been out of reach before. It also provides increased safety for the firefighters, because they no longer need to rely on ground ladders and can maintain a safer distance from fires.



Local Roads and Bridges: Roads

Investments in the construction, improvement, or renewal of roads such as:

- Resurfacing a road to improve safety for motorists;
- Widening a road to accommodate more traffic;
- Ditching a rural road to reduce the likelihood of flooding; and/or
- Installing streetlights and traffic signals to improve visibility and traffic flow.



1,031

Projects Funded



3,700

lane-km of road rehabilitated, reconstructed, or improved

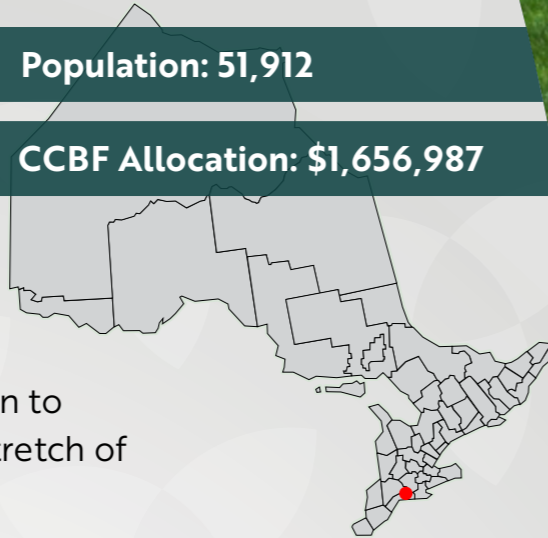


Local Roads and Bridges: Roads

County of Elgin

Population: 51,912

CCBF Allocation: \$1,656,987



The County of Elgin used an asphalt recycling process to rehabilitate Ron McNeil Line.

The County invested \$1.6 million to reconstruct an 8.12 kilometer stretch of the roadway.

Ron McNeil Line was constructed in 1989 and runs between Belmont Road and Imperial Road. Although Ron McNeil Line is a rural roadway, it sees heavy traffic. More than 2,600 drivers use it daily.

Public Works used an asphalt recycling technique known as cold in-place recycling with expanded asphalt material (CIREAM). This method differs from traditional road resurfacing. With CIREAM, the surface asphalt is removed from the road and re-processed on-site by mixing the existing material with new liquid asphalt, and then applying the re-processed asphalt to the surface and rolling it smooth.

This process saves time, budget, and resources by re-using the original road asphalt. It also helps reduce greenhouse gases because less trucks and equipment are used. Additionally, it extends the lifespan of the road by 20 years and can be done multiple times.



Local Roads and Bridges: Bridges and Culverts

Investments in the construction, improvement, or renewal of bridges and culverts such as:

- Building a new bridge to reduce commute times;
- Replacing a culvert to improve the safety of motorists; and/or
- Expanding a bridge to accommodate more traffic.



254

Projects Funded



150

bridges or culverts
constructed,
rehabilitated, or
replaced



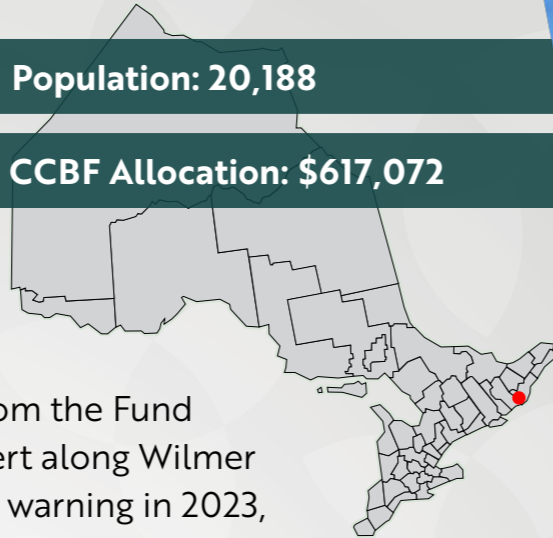


Local Roads and Bridges: Bridges and Culverts

Township of South Frontenac

Population: 20,188

CCBF Allocation: \$617,072



In 2023, the Township of South Frontenac invested \$375,000 from the Fund to replace a 15-meter-long culvert along Wilmer Road. The culvert failed without warning in 2023, and when the Township got an assessment for emergency repairs, the independent engineering firm determined the full culvert required replacement.

For the new culvert, the Township used precast concrete, replacing the previous corrugated steel. Precast concrete has a longer service life than corrugated steel and wears down much more gradually. Crews also installed new guide rails to enhance overall safety.

Thanks to the CCBF and the new culvert, South Frontenac can continue to effectively channel and drain water while protecting the road.





Local Roads and Bridges: Active Transportation

Investments in the construction, improvement, or renewal of bike lanes, sidewalks, paths, and trails such as:

- Widening a road to install bike lanes;
- Adding sidewalks to a road to improve pedestrian safety and accessibility;
- Constructing walking paths and hiking trails to provide active transportation routes; and/or
- Installing a bridge on a trail to facilitate access over a ravine.



160

Projects Funded



40 km

of bike lanes, paths,
and cycle tracks
installed or improved



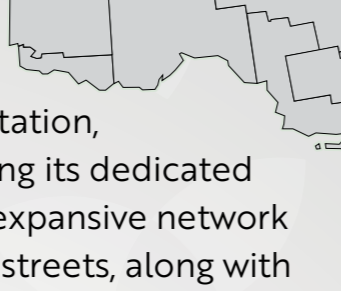


Local Roads and Bridges: Active Transportation

City of Brampton

Population: 656,480

CCBF Allocation: \$19,645,899



To promote outdoor activity and cycling as an alternate – and cleaner – mode of transportation, the City of Brampton is expanding its dedicated cycling lanes. Brampton has an expansive network of cycling lanes on its many city streets, along with more than 100 km of cycling trails and pathways that interconnect the city with nature.

Brampton is investing more than \$500,000 from the Fund into the project, which began in 2023. The intent is to connect an east to west cycling corridor that is separated from vehicular traffic, making it safer and more convenient to explore Brampton by bike. Approximately 7 km of cycling facilities are being constructed on several different streets throughout the city.

This project is part of a series of recommendations outlined in Brampton's Active Transportation Master Plan. The plan focuses on an implementation strategy for building a connected cycling and pedestrian network across the City to enable safer, more convenient travel and to encourage cycling as a viable means of transportation for both recreational and utilitarian purposes for the general public.





Public Transit

Investments that support a public transit system such as:

- Constructing transit stations, stops and terminals;
- Renovating transit maintenance facilities;
- Laying tracks for light rail vehicles;
- Purchasing new public transit buses; and/or
- Implementing Intelligent Transportation Systems.



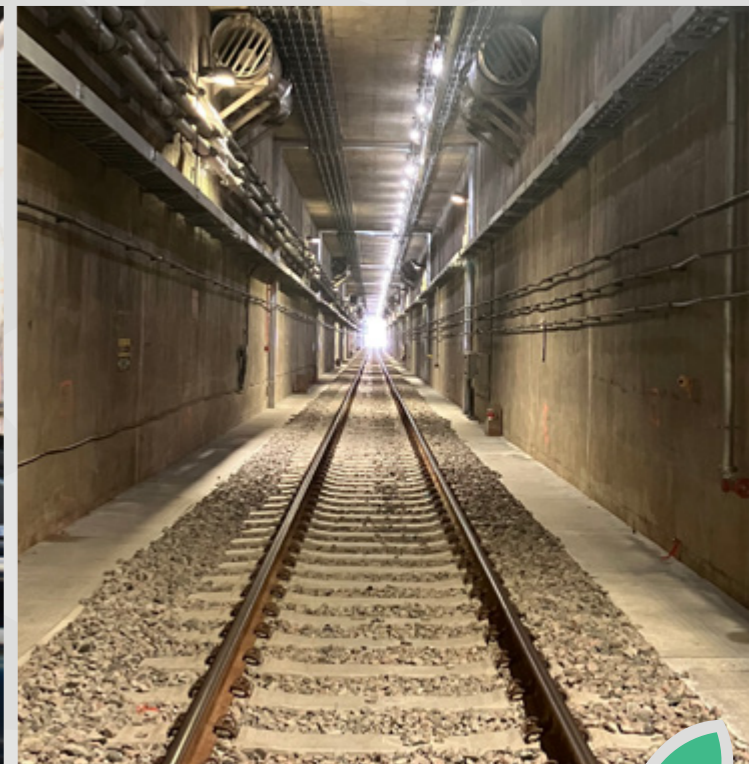
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Projects Funded



150

150 buses purchased
or refurbished



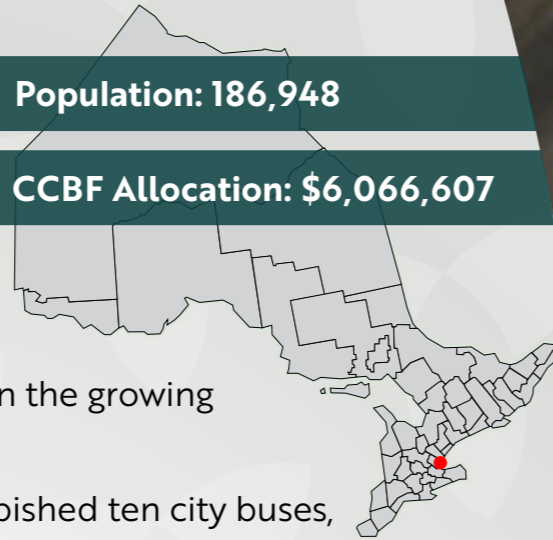


Public Transit

City of Burlington

Population: 186,948

CCBF Allocation: \$6,066,607



Two CCBF-funded projects completed in November 2023 have improved transit services in the growing City of Burlington.

With the funding, the City refurbished ten city buses, including conducting major engine and transmission fixes as part of their bus renewal and transit capital programs. They also replaced seven buses that no longer served the City's transit needs.

In general, the industry standard for buses used in Burlington's fleet is a 12-year life cycle. To enhance reliability, meet industry standards, and minimize service disruptions, staff regularly review the entire fleet to determine which buses can remain in service and which ones require replacement. Aging buses that are prone to breakdowns or need significant investment are replaced with more reliable vehicles.

In Burlington, an estimated 2.8 million people used city transit in 2023. This renewal work means that Burlington Transit buses will service the community for years to come and help them get to work, school, medical appointments and more.





Recreation

Investments in recreational facilities or networks such as:

- Constructing splash pads and playgrounds in a public park;
- Expanding a recreation centre to add new facilities;
- Establishing new paths, trails and boardwalks through a conservation area; and/or
- Replacing an aging refrigeration system in an arena.



291

Projects Funded



21

playground structures
installed or replaced



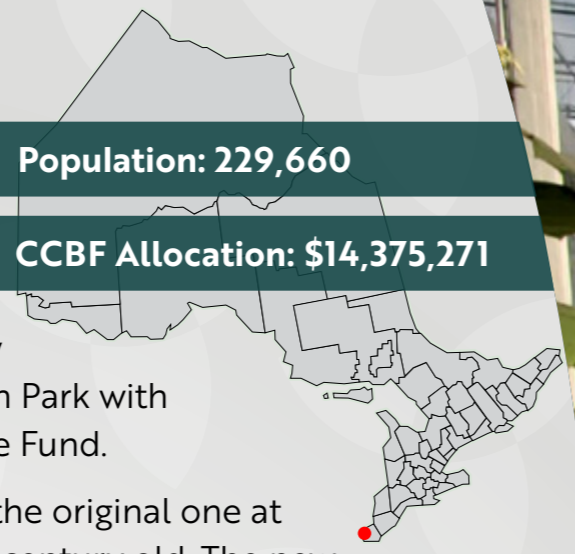


Recreation

City of Windsor

Population: 229,660

CCBF Allocation: \$14,375,271



The City of Windsor built a new greenhouse complex in Jackson Park with more than \$2.2 million from the Fund.

This new greenhouse replaces the original one at Lanspeary Park that was over a century old. The new greenhouse has more than double the space of the original. It offers 22,000 square feet of space to start seeds and grow new plants, and another 3,500 square feet for displays, to provide educational classes where students can learn from horticulture experts, host events and do community outreach.

The new building has modern technology, with computerized controls, automated ventilation systems and irrigation, and rooftop shading that helps improve energy efficiency. It's also large enough to grow a bigger variety of exotic plants, and to store all of the City's flowers in the colder months of the year.

The greenhouse is an exciting space for community outreach and hosting events to encourage the public to become engaged in local gardening and horticulture. The greenhouse provides room for educational classes, providing students with the opportunity to learn about horticulture from experts.

The City of Windsor is now equipped with the tools and space they need to provide residents with fascinating educational and recreational experiences.





Regional and Local Airports

Investments in terminals, runways, hangars, and other airport infrastructure such as:

- Designing and constructing an aircraft hangar or shed;
- Installing navigational aids and runway lighting;
- Resurfacing runways, taxiways, aprons and ramps; and/or
- Replacing or upgrading airport drainage works.



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Projects Funded



5

airports expanded or improved

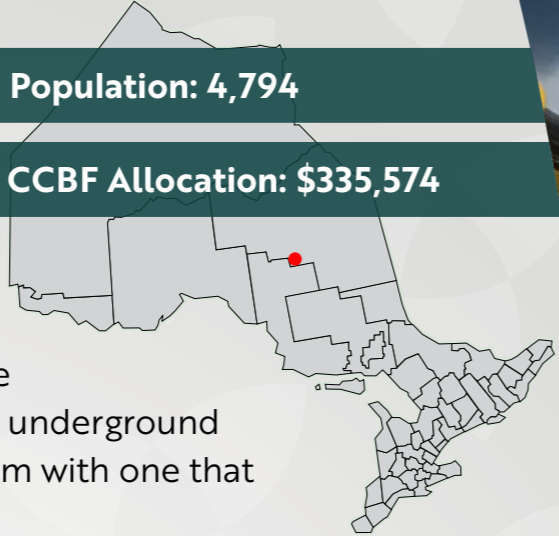




Regional and Local Airports

Town of Hearst

Population: 4,794
CCBF Allocation: \$335,574



The Town of Hearst is investing \$186,000 into the local Hearst René Municipal Airport. They are using the funding to replace the underground fuel tanks and distribution system with one that is above ground.

The new above-ground fuel system will allow crews to better serve the air operators who come to the airport to refuel. This includes residents with private aircraft, and emergency responders who provide medical evacuation services.

Underground fuel tanks take up less space and are less likely to be damaged by accidental collisions with vehicles and equipment. However, generally, crews find them more challenging because most of the components are not visible, and they are in constant contact with the soil, which means they need extra protection from the elements and can corrode more easily. The new above-ground tanks are easier to access, maintain and serve airport customers.





Solid Waste

Investments that support solid waste management systems such as:

- Purchasing garbage trucks;
- Designing and constructing a material recovery facility;
- Installing a leachate collection system in a landfill; and/or
- Expanding a transfer station.



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Projects Funded



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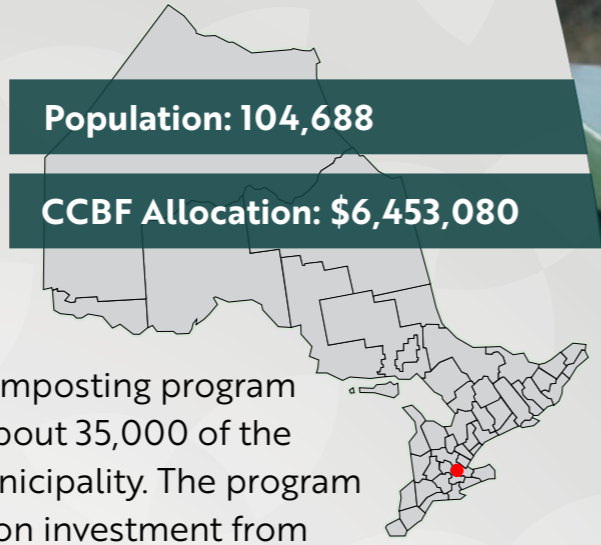
landfills expanded or improved





Solid Waste

City of Brantford



In 2023, The City of Brantford rolled out a new Green Bin composting program to all single-family homes – about 35,000 of the 44,000 households in the municipality. The program is being funded by a \$1.5 million investment from the Fund.

Previously, waste collection crews would put all waste, organic or not, into the Mohawk Street Landfill. Existing programs like recycling and yard waste only divert up to 34 per cent of the City’s waste. To extend the life of the landfills, and to reach their goal of diverting 70 per cent of waste and becoming a “Zero Waste City”, the City decided that a compost program would be the best solution.

As part of the program, organic waste is diverted to a processing facility to become nutrient-rich garden compost. Diverting a significant amount of organics also reduces greenhouse gas emissions from the landfill.





Sports

Investments in amateur sport infrastructure such as:

- Designing and constructing squash courts;
- Replacing turf on a soccer pitch;
- Installing bleachers surrounding a baseball diamond; and/or
- Renovating an arena used by a Junior A hockey team.



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Projects Funded



3

outdoor courts or fields constructed, upgraded, or renewed



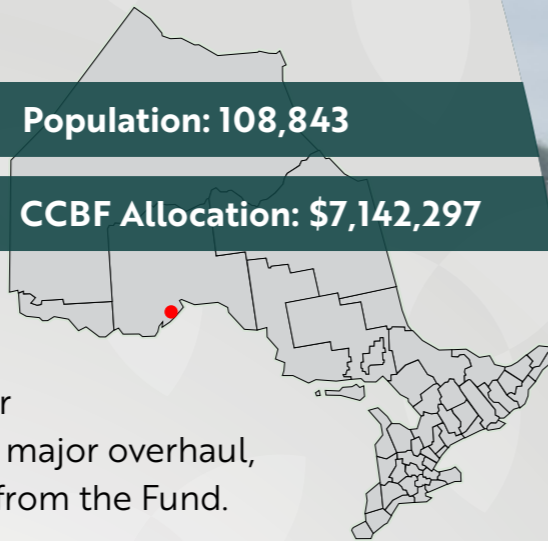


Sports

City of Thunder Bay

Population: 108,843

CCBF Allocation: \$7,142,297



Fort William Stadium in Thunder Bay looks incredible following a major overhaul, using a \$2.4 million investment from the Fund.

The CCBF helped fund renovations to the stadium, which included new field turf for the International Federation of Association Football (FIFA)-sized football field, a new scoreboard and cameras with wi-fi capabilities for live streaming, and a new and improved running track.

Before the upgrade, the stadium, field and track were showing their age and beginning to deteriorate and become unsafe for users. The field and track were more than a decade old, and the scoreboard was outdated. The field surface was shifting and heaving and there were tripping hazards on parts of the track.

Fort William Stadium is the only facility of its kind in northwestern Ontario, and an important asset for the community. It hosts football clubs and various sporting events and has enough seating for 3,500 fans. Now, the facility is ready to host provincial and national sporting events, concerts and festivals.





Tourism

Investments that attract travelers for recreation, leisure, business or other purposes such as:

- Designing and constructing a scenic overlook;
- Expanding a zoo;
- Renovating a convention centre; and/or
- Building an exhibition hall.



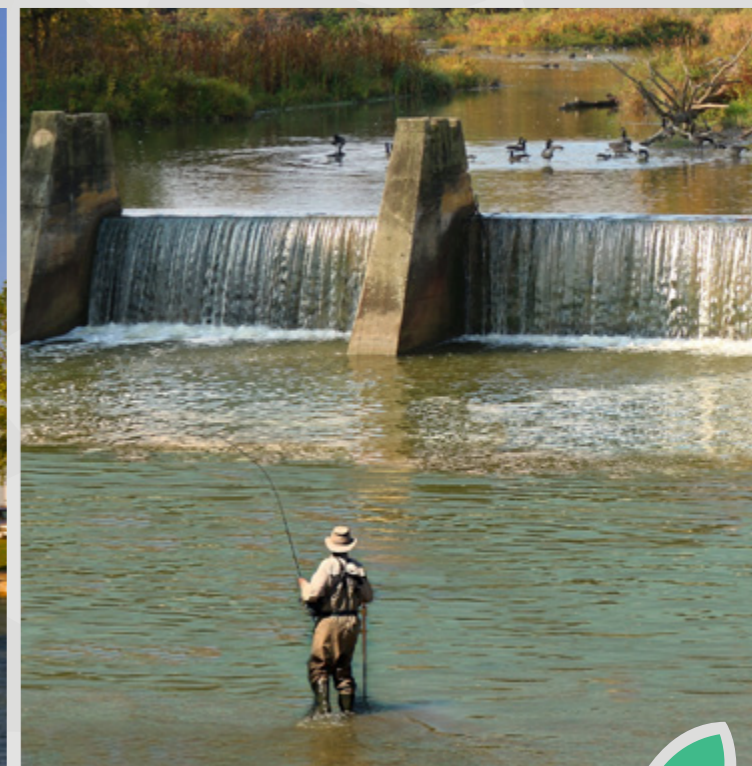
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Projects Funded



2

tourism information centres constructed or renovated



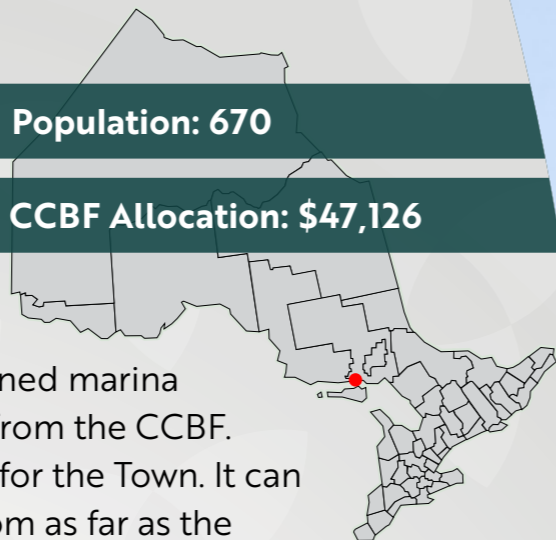


Tourism

Town of Spanish

Population: 670

CCBF Allocation: \$47,126



In 2023, the Town of Spanish rehabilitated its municipally owned marina with an investment of \$47,000 from the CCBF. The marina is a significant draw for the Town. It can hold 117 boats. Boaters come from as far as the United States. With three local businesses on site, the marina is a major employer for the Town.

The marina was built in 1997 and had not had major improvements since then. In recent years, the marina was showing signs of wear and tear from boat traffic. Several pontoons and the supports underneath the piers were weakening from years of erosion, making the dock tilt slightly. With an investment from the Fund, the Town removed two piers from the water and placed a special insert into the pontoons to help strengthen them. They also replaced the plumbing and electrical systems of the docks.

Now, the Spanish Municipal Marina is ready for the influx of boaters that visit during the summer months and contribute to the community's economic vitality.





Wastewater

Investments that support wastewater and stormwater collection, treatment and management systems such as:

- Replacing sanitary or storm sewers;
- Separating combined sewers;
- Installing pump stations and lift stations;
- Designing and constructing wastewater treatment plants;
- Creating bioretention or biofiltration facilities; and/or
- Restoring wetlands or constructing stormwater management ponds.



128

Projects Funded



6 km

of sewer installed,
rehabilitated, or
replaced



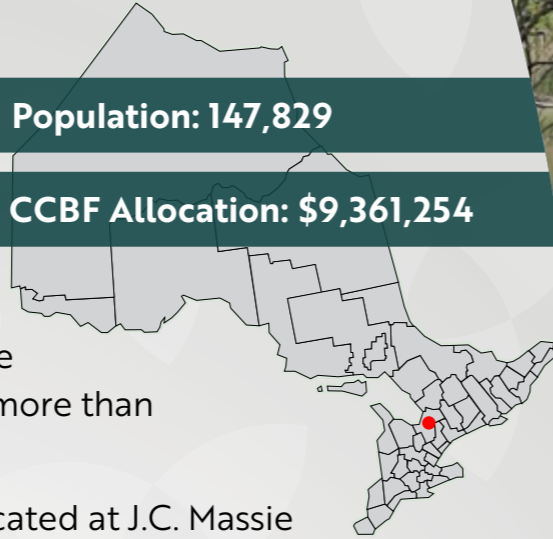


Wastewater

City of Barrie

Population: 147,829

CCBF Allocation: \$9,361,254



With \$300,000 from the Fund, the City of Barrie is restoring one of its stormwater ponds that is more than 10 years old.

The LT14 stormwater pond is located at J.C. Massie Way at Cundles Road East. The City originally constructed it in 2013 to improve water quality and minimize the risk of flooding as part of the Duckworth Street Interchange expansion and the Penady commercial development.

However, since 2016, it had not been performing properly. City staff noticed operational and structural problems that required repairs to meet legislative requirements.

Improvements include constructing a new clay liner, installing a Flexmat (a product used to help prevent erosion), removing and upgrading the berm wall, and increasing overall pond volume so it can handle additional water runoff from a nearby commercial development. Additionally, crews are removing dead trees from the pond.

To date, the pond is maintaining its permanent pool level and aquatic plants are flourishing.





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