

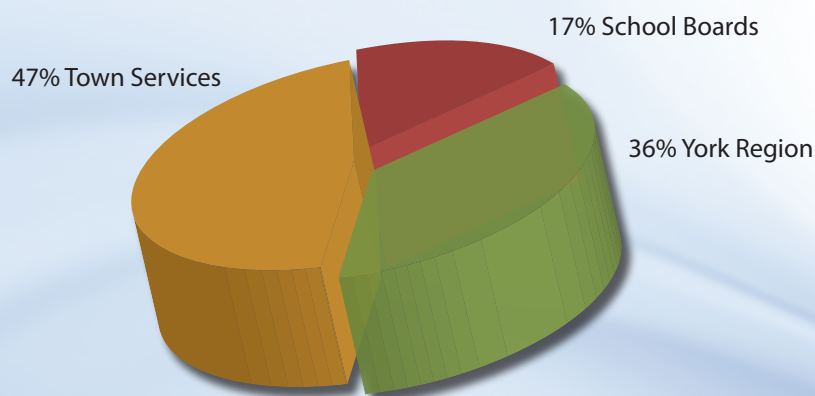
Georgina's 2015 Budget

Town Council recently passed the 2015 Budget for the Town of Georgina representing a 3.99% property tax increase. This works out to be an additional \$141 a year for a household with a current value assessment of \$295,100.

The Budget represents months of detailed preparation from Town staff outlining the financial plan that describes the money required to provide its many services to residents. Now that the plan has been passed by Council, what does it all mean?

- » Asphalt resurfacing will occur along Pollock Road, Biscayne Boulevard, and Irene Drive. Asphalt resurfacing helps to maintain safe roads and to extend the life cycle of the road.
- » Upgrades and renovations have been approved for: restrooms/showers at the Sutton Arena and Keswick Ice Palace, lighting and flooring at the Pefferlaw Lion's Hall, and maintenance work at Pioneer Village.
- » The Georgina Animal Shelter will receive new cages, additional animal care staff and a Business Plan will be developed to address increased efficiencies and operational enhancements. The Georgina Animal Shelter also provides service to Newmarket, East Gwillimbury, and Whitchurch-Stouffville, recovering costs from those municipalities.
- » The Mosquito Control Program has been expanded and will cover an additional 400 hectares in Udora.
- » Rehabilitation work is being planned for some local bridges including: Pefferlaw's Main Street, Shorecrest Road, and Medina Drive. The Mossington Bridge on Hedge Road will undergo an analysis with recommendations to follow. Culvert work is planned for Church Street in Keswick as well as Cryderman's Road in Baldwin.

Municipal Breakdown



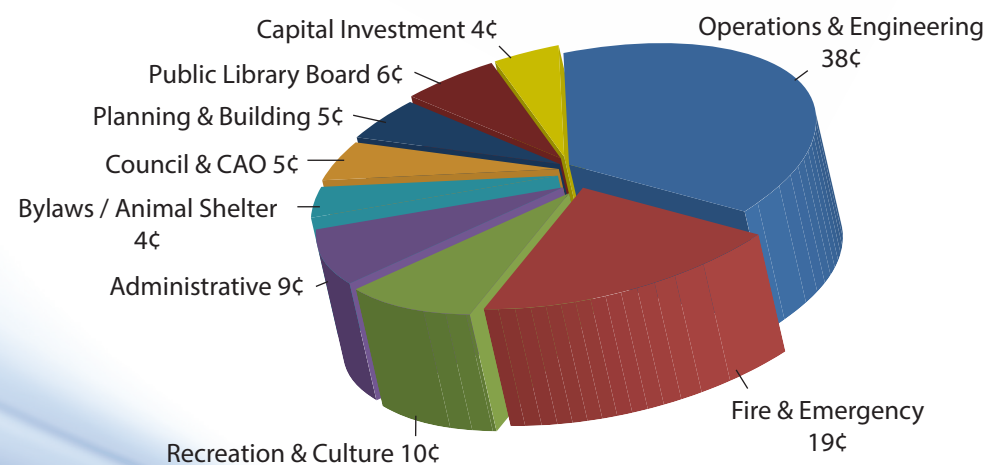
How Georgina Compares

| Type of Home | Georgina - Average Taxes | York Region - Average Taxes | Survey - Ontario Average |
|------------------------|--------------------------|-----------------------------|--------------------------|
| Detached Bungalow | \$3,173 | \$3,752 | \$3,091 |
| 2-Storey Home | \$3,744 | \$4,270 | \$4,295 |
| Senior Executive Home* | \$6,195 | \$6,092 | \$5,854 |

*Reflects the higher market value of lake front property
Source: BMA Municipal Study 2014

- » Safety netting will be added to the West Park Baseball Diamonds and Sheppard's Park Playground equipment will undergo a redesign and replacement incorporating current accessibility standards.
- » The Emerald Ash Borer (EAB) Management Program will continue. To address the extreme effects EAB has had on the Town tree inventory, Ash tree removal is necessary. Replanting efforts of new trees (not Ash) will carry on.
- » Continuation of the Business Investment and Customer Service Strategies. The Business Development Strategy will focus on attracting new business to the community. The Customer Service Strategy will review centralizing service, including 'one-stop' opportunities.
- » Georgina's 2015 Budgeted Tax Levy supported expenditures are \$50.0M, including \$36.7M for Town Operations and Services and \$13.6M for Capital Investment. Funding sources for the \$50.0M are derived in part by revenues generated by user fees, permits and licences, Federal and Provincial grants, Federal Gas Tax, and Development Charges, and net draws from the Town's reserves.

How Your Tax Dollar is Spent



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