



Media Release

Town of Midland eligible for \$286,000 in funding through the COVID-19 Resilience stream

November 3, 2020 – The Ontario Government announced earlier this week that the Town of Midland is eligible for up to \$286,325 in funding through the new COVID-19 Resilience stream, adapted from the Investing in Canada Infrastructure Program (ICIP), to respond to the impacts of COVID-19.

“The continued commitment by the Federal and Provincial Governments to fund infrastructure projects is extremely encouraging, and the Town of Midland is thankful for this support,” said Mayor Stewart Strathearn. “This announcement comes as we begin our 2021 budget exercise, and really gives us more flexibility to plan for projects in the new year.”

The COVID-19 Resilience stream will fund the following types of projects:

Active Transportation infrastructure

- Parks, trails, footbridges, bike lanes, multi-use paths.

Community recreation, health & education renovations

- Retrofits, repairs and upgrades to municipal buildings, recreation centres, shelters and health infrastructure.

COVID-19 Response infrastructure

- Measures to support physical distancing, heating, air conditioning, ventilation.

Disaster mitigation and adaption projects

- Flood and fire mitigation, natural infrastructure, tree planting and related infrastructure.

Eligible projects under the COVID-19 Resilience stream must begin before September 30, 2021 and be completed by December 31, 2021.

“Knowing we have the support and resources to move forward with projects that allow us to be resilient through these trying times is reassuring,” added Strathearn. “Thank you to Simcoe North MPP Jill Dunlop and MP Bruce Stanton, and the Provincial and Federal Governments for their continued support.”

The Investing in Canada Infrastructure Program is a federal-provincial cost-sharing program which includes up to \$30 billion in federal, provincial and other partner funding over 10 years. Ontario’s share per project will be up to 33.33 per cent or about \$10.2 billion spread across four streams: 1. Rural and Northern, 2. Public Transit, 3. Green, 4. Community, Culture and Recreation. The COVID-19 Resilience stream has been adapted from ICIP to respond to the impacts of COVID-19. Delivered through bilateral agreements with provinces and territories, this stream has been designed to help add flexibilities, expand project eligibility and accelerate approvals for short term projects.



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