

## **Ontario Government Investing close to \$40,000 in Transit and Road Projects in the Town of Midland**

*Priority projects will mean safer, faster, more convenient commutes*

**NEWS**

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MIDLAND — Ontario is working to support municipalities and get people moving by investing in new transit and road infrastructure projects in the Town of Midland.

Local MPP Jill Dunlop announced today that the Ford Government is investing close to \$40,000 in a transit and road infrastructure project in Midland by nominating them under the Public Transit stream and Rural and Northern stream of the Investing in Canada Infrastructure Program (ICIP).

“This funding is about more than just concrete and steel,” said MPP Jill Dunlop, “Projects like this help ensure transit reliability and reduce commute times so that people in Ontario can spend more time with those they care about.”

“The transit projects announced today promise to make a real difference in people’s lives,” said Laurie Scott, Minister of Infrastructure. “Better public transit creates stronger communities.”

The projects are now with the federal government for final funding decisions as they are reviewed for eligibility under the ICIP program. Some projects could begin as soon as Fall 2019. If approved, the nominated projects will be eligible for total funding of more than \$110,000 from the federal, provincial and municipal governments.

“The funding will help optimize ride scheduling, and allow for greater accuracy in vehicle tracking.” MPP Dunlop stated.

### **QUICK FACTS**

- The Investing in Canada Infrastructure Program is 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 Rural and Northern in-take focused on road, bridge, air and marine infrastructure in rural and northern communities with populations under 100,000 people.
- A total of [144 road, bridge, air and marine infrastructure projects have been nominated to date under the Rural and Northern stream](#).
- The second intake of ICIP applications was for transit projects in municipalities outside the GTHA. Funding is allocated to transit systems based on a municipality's or municipalities' share of total transit ridership in Ontario as per the 2015 Canadian Urban Transit Association Fact Book. This allocations-based funding model was set by the federal government. The Province has nominated 144 transit infrastructure projects from 42 municipalities outside of the GTHA under the Public Transit stream of ICIP. More nominations from this intake will be announced later this year.
- On July 22, 2019, Ontario announced that until October 24, municipalities inside the GTHA can apply for funding to support new transit projects under the Public Transit Stream of the Investing in Canada Infrastructure Program. Information on additional intakes will be released when available.
- The government also nominated five major transit projects in the [City of Toronto and Region of York](#) to the federal government for approval.

## **ADDITIONAL RESOURCES**

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