



Office of the Commissioner
Finance Department

Memorandum

TO: Regional Chair Emmerson and Members of Regional Council

FROM: Laura Mirabella, FCPA, FCA
Commissioner of Finance and Regional Treasurer

DATE: May 15, 2019

RE: **Provincial Funding Reduction Financial Implications**

The 2019 Ontario Budget introduced funding reductions in several areas affecting municipalities. The attachment to this memo summarizes the financial implications to the Region, based on information available at this time. The attachment table includes items where funding reduction amounts have been identified to date.

Updates to the table will be provided as new information becomes available, including details on initiatives, such as Bill 108, More Homes, More Choice Act, 2019 and on other initiatives.

We will continue to analyze funding reduction implications and mitigation strategies.

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Attachment

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2019 Provincial Budget Funding Reductions

Impacts of Provincial Reductions--Preliminary Estimates¹ (\$Thousands)

Changes	2019	2020	2021	2022
Consolidation of 35 Public Health units into 10 by 2020-21.	up to (7,000)	up to (7,000)	up to (7,000)	up to (7,000)
Change in cost share requirements for York and funding allocations from 80/20 to 60/40 by 2021				
Decreased municipal funding for child care , including 100% provincial core funding and changes to cost sharing for administration and the Expansion Plan, and introduced the new CARE program (eligible families receive up to 75% of child care expenses)	(11,600)	(11,600)	(11,600)	(11,600)
Launched Community Housing Renewal Strategy. Impacts on Homelessness Prevention include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Delay in planned increase in funding from 2019 to 2020 • Extension of Home for Good Program funding at 2018 levels for 2 additional years 	(1,150)	(1,150)	(1,150)	(1,150)
Land Ambulance Grant (Paramedic Services) funding flatlined at 2018 levels	(1,381)	(1,381)	(1,381)	(1,381)
Elimination of the provincial "50 Million Tree" program resulting in reduced Forestry funding	(41)	TBD	TBD	TBD
York Regional Police -- Reduction to various grants for policing	(1,881)	(1,881)	(1,881)	(1,881)
Total Impacts	(23,053)	(23,012)	(23,012)	(23,012)

¹ Gross impacts relative to the 2019 Approved Budget and outlook for 2020-2022. Figures are subject to change as new information becomes available.