

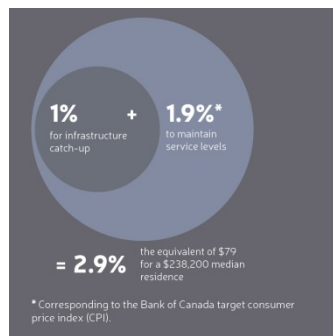
Budget highlights

A Budget that Addresses our Communities' Challenges

A \$599.8 million balanced budget

On December 18, Gatineau Municipal Council adopted the 2018 budget, a \$599.8 million balanced budget.

This year's tax increases fall under two categories:



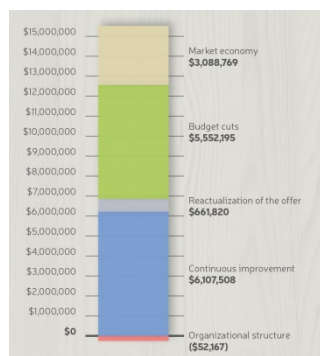
* Corresponding to the Bank of Canada target consumer price index (CPI).

The debt is under control

Debt servicing now only comes to 10.5% of spending. Close to 60% of our infrastructure investments are paid in cash, which helps ensure intergenerational equity for tomorrow's taxpayers.

The Commission de révision des dépenses et des services

The Commission's work since 2013 has helped generate \$15.4 million in annual permanent savings, one year ahead of the 2018 deadline.



New: duties on transfers of immovables

Effective January 1, 2018, duties on transfers of immovables will be higher for that part of the transaction that is in excess of \$1,000,000, which will essentially not affect the residential sector. This measure will generate an additional \$2 million annually for Gatineau.

Service improvements

Gatineau is investing in improving services to the public.

- Residual materials management program \$1,065,000
- Valorization of urban forests \$1,000,000
- Revitalization and activities for the former urban cores \$500,000
- Greater municipal visibility, including the Gatineau for Life campaign \$480,000
- Preventive maintenance programs in plants and valve verification program \$450,000
- New water playgrounds \$300,000
- Downtown activities \$250,000
- Additional funds for snow clearing contracts \$225,000
- Events management strategy \$150,000
- Extended hours for outdoor swimming and wading pools \$100,000
- Permanent cultural pathway \$100,000
- Continuation of the school zone safety program \$80,000
- Activities for Dalton park and the Rivière-Blanche shoreline park \$65,000
- Ecological measures subsidy program \$50,000
- Environmental intervention program at lac Beauchamp \$37,000
- Old Aylmer public market \$25,000
- New free compost distribution program \$25,000

Massive investments for 2018-2020

Total investments for the next three years will be \$387.0 million, including \$127.3 million in 2018, as follows:

- water supply and sewer systems \$36.4 M
- water and wastewater treatment plants \$32.8 M
- roads \$22.9 M
- active transportation \$7.5 M
- social housing and the residential renovation program \$4.6 M
- upgrading municipal buildings \$4.5 M
- developing parks and green spaces \$3.3 M
- traffic and road safety \$2.1 M

Gatineau will pursue its investment efforts in the following areas:

- renovation of water and wastewater treatment plants \$151 M
- revitalization of two major commercial arteries:
 - boulevard Saint-Joseph \$58.8 M
 - rue Notre-Dame \$19.3 M
- water discolouration intervention plan \$53 M
- emerald ash borer interventions \$5 M

For additional information about the 2018 budget, go to gatineau.ca/budget.