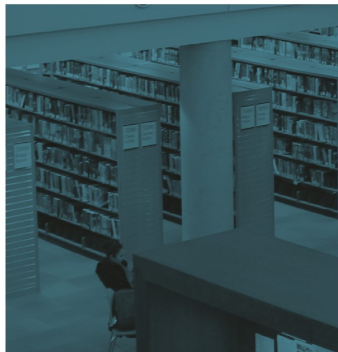
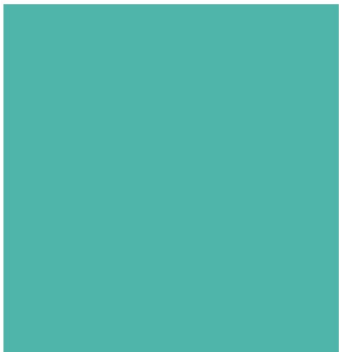
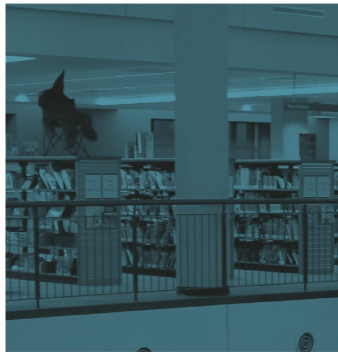


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## Overview

The Town of Aurora's culture and sense of community are formed by the many people, cultures and unique backgrounds in our town. The Town's community partners help Aurora effectively maintain its small-town charm, while balancing the amenities of a larger urban centre.

## 2021 to 2022 operating budget

Aurora has four main community partners that are funded through the Town's budget.

### Aurora Cultural Centre

The Aurora Cultural Centre is a generator of cultural programming and program partnerships. The Aurora Cultural Centre has four vibrant gallery exhibition spaces, a range of instructional classes for children, teens and adults, an eclectic live music series, special family events, summer arts camps, and offers stunning rental spaces for a unique experience.

The Cultural Centre's home is the 22 Church Street School which is a designated historical building. They have temporarily been relocated to Town Hall during the construction of Library Square.

There is no change to the budgeted funding for the Aurora Cultural Centre compared to what was approved in the 2020 to 2022 Budget. The core operating grant of \$432,480 and \$441,100 for 2021 and 2022, respectively include inflationary pressures of \$8,500 in 2021 and \$8,700 in 2022. The Aurora Cultural Centre's other identified operating pressures in 2021 and 2022 will continue to be funded out of the existing Library Square operating budget under Community Services. These additional pressures include \$69,200 in 2021 and \$82,000 in 2022 which relate to the centre's ongoing operations are considered to be part of the Library Square's governance structure and temporary costs for the rental of space while they are displaced from the Church Street School. These temporary rental costs amount to \$151,100 in 2021 and \$118,500 in 2022.

In 2019, the Town approved two contributions of \$50,000 to the Aurora Cultural Centre in support of its Kaleidoscope in Schools pilot program to funded out of the Town's tax stabilization reserve. The first installment was paid in 2019 with the second installment now planned for 2021. A third installment of \$50,000 has been requested in support of this program. Council will decide upon this request as part of its 2022 budget reaffirmation process.

### Aurora Historical Society

The Aurora Historical Society is committed to the education, heritage, and preservation of Aurora's history. It also has curatorial responsibilities for Hillary House which includes its collections of medical instruments, historic artifacts, and related documents.

The Aurora Historical Society is located at Hillary House which was built in 1862 and was purchased by the Society in 1981. Hillary House is listed as a Canadian National Historic Site as well as being listed as a heritage property by the Town of Aurora.

There is no change in the funding support for the Aurora Historical Society. The budget provides support of \$82,800 in 2021 and \$80,900 in 2022.

### Aurora Public Library

Aurora Public Library continues to provide traditional collections along with innovative technology programs, vibrant literary and cultural experiences, opportunities for multi-discipline online learning, expanded newcomer initiatives and increased access to digital collections.

The Aurora Public Library Board has requested no change to the net funding from the Town approved in the 2020 to 2022 Budget. The Library is seeking funding of \$3,896,100 in 2021 and \$3,934,100 in 2022.

### Aurora Sport Hall of Fame

The Aurora Sports Hall of Fame is a celebration of sport history and excellence, dedicated to the recognition of the important place that sport has assumed within the Town of Aurora. Visitors are encouraged to explore and appreciate Aurora’s rich sport heritage and achievement whether it be in-person or online.

The Aurora Sports Hall of Fame is located at the Stronach Aurora Recreation Complex. The exhibits feature an interactive wall, inductee profiles and artifacts, an expanded sports heritage display and more.

### Aurora’s budget funding to support community partners

|  | 2020           | 2021           | 2022           |
|--|----------------|----------------|----------------|
| <b>Budget (\$000's)</b>                |                |                |                |
| Aurora Cultural Centre                 | 424.0          | 432.5          | 441.1          |
| Aurora Historical Society              | 81.3           | 82.8           | 80.9           |
| Aurora Public Library                  | 3,868.1        | 3,896.1        | 3,934.1        |
| Aurora Sport Hall of Fame              | 28.7           | 29.3           | 29.9           |
| <b>Approved Budget</b>                 | <b>4,402.1</b> | <b>4,440.7</b> | <b>4,486.0</b> |
| <b>Budget Change</b>                   |                | <b>38.6</b>    | <b>45.3</b>    |
| <b>2020 Approved Multi-Year Budget</b> |                | <b>4,440.7</b> | <b>4,486.0</b> |
| <b>Change to Multi-Year Budget</b>     |                | -              | -              |

Aurora Sport Hall of Fame is requesting no change to their requested funding from the Town of \$29,300 for 2021 and \$29,900 for 2022.

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