## TOWN OF AURORA

# 2018 Operating Budget





(2.1%)

Inflation + Fiscal Strategy (1.0%)

Tax Increase (3.1%)





With a population of more than 60,000, Aurora is the **5th largest** municipality in the Regional Municipality of York.

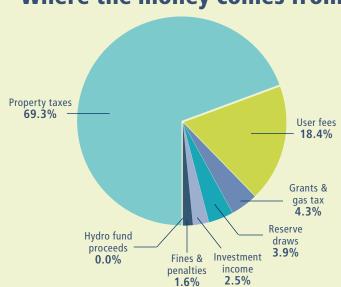


Aurora has more than doubled its size since 1990. The Town is estimated to continue to grow to more than **70,000** residents by 2031.



Not only is Aurora a great place to live, it's a place where businesses can flourish. More than 1,300 large and small businesses have been established in Aurora, which employ over 27,000 people.

## Where the money comes from



#### **Property taxes:**

Collected from residential and business taxpayers based on their assessed property values.

#### **User fees:**

Paid by individuals or organizations to the Town for the use of town services, facilities and recreation progams.

#### **Grants and gas tax:**

Financial contributions from another level of government in support of a particular function, service or program.

#### **Reserve draws:**

Use of money that has been set aside by Council.

#### **Investment income:**

Interest earned on cash holdings being held in the Town's bank account and from the investment of cash in investments such as bonds and GICs.

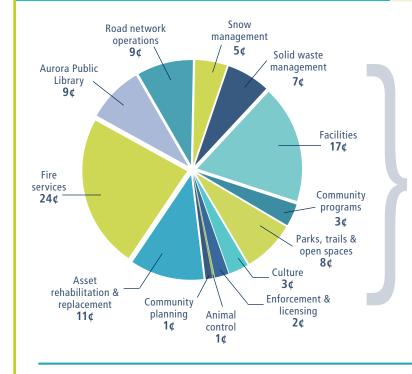
## Fines and penalties:

Revenue collected from parking fines and late payments in tax and water accounts.

### **Hydro fund proceeds:**

Interest earned by the Town's hydro sale reserve

## Where the money goes (in cents)



Fire services	24¢
Facilities	17¢
Asset rehabilitation and replacement	11¢
Library	9¢
Parks, trails and open spaces	<b>8¢</b>
Road network operations	9¢
Snow management	5¢
Solid waste management	7¢
Community programs	3¢
Community planning	1¢
Culture	3¢
Enforcement and licensing	<b>2¢</b>
Animal control	1¢

## **Operating Budget Highlights**



**Maintaining** the Town's infrastructure such as roads, parks and community centres



**Renewed** waste collection contract with Green For Life Environmental (GFL)



**Bringing** our animal control services in-house to increase service levels and improve accountability



**Enhanced** funding for community events and sport organizations



Elimination of the Town's reliance upon interest earned from hydro sale proceeds for the operating budget