

Questions and Answers

Release of surplus administration funds to municipalities

Q: What is being announced today?

AMO will distribute an extra \$12,044,484 from the federal Gas Tax Fund to municipalities.

Q: Why does AMO have more federal Gas Tax funds to distribute?

AMO administers about \$650 million per year from the federal Gas Tax Fund to all Ontario municipalities, except the City of Toronto.

In 2019, due to the one-time doubling of the fund, AMO will administer about \$1.3 billion. AMO is not taking any administration fee on the additional one-time doubling of the fund.

AMO delivers the Fund in an efficient and effective way at a cost of less than 0.5% of program allocation. As a result, AMO has surplus administration funds. These surplus funds will be delivered to municipalities. AMO's success in administering the Fund means more money for local infrastructure.

Q: How much money will my municipality receive?

Municipalities will receive approximately \$1.19 per capita. In two-tier systems, this amount will be split 50/50 between upper- and lower-tier municipalities.

A complete allocation table is available [here](#).

Q: When will municipalities receive these funds?

Transfers will be made in October, shortly before the second 2019 payment, expected on November 1st.

Q: Does this payment of funds affect my municipality's regular federal Gas Tax Fund allocation or payment?

No. These funds are being delivered in addition to the regular federal Gas Tax Fund allocation and in addition to the one-time doubling of the Fund.

Q: How can my municipality use these funds?

The surplus administration funds are subject to the terms and conditions of the [Municipal Funding Agreement](#). You should treat these additional funds the same way you treat your regular federal Gas Tax Fund payment.

Q: Can I share information about the federal Gas Tax Fund with my community?

Yes! The best way to celebrate federal Gas Tax Fund investment is to share information with residents, businesses and local media about local projects benefit your community. AMO has resources on hand to help you write a news release, plan a local media event, or create social media content. Contact gastax@amo.on.ca for more information.

Municipalities are strongly encouraged to share information about the federal Gas Tax Fund on social media. Connecting with residents, businesses and others on social media is a simple and effective way to communicate the benefits of the federal Gas Tax Fund. Be sure to follow and engage with [@GasTaxinOntario on Twitter](#), and [@federalgastaxontario on Instagram](#), for even more information about AMO's administration of the Fund.

You can also direct residents to www.gastaxatwork.ca where AMO maintains an interactive map of federal Gas Tax funded projects across Ontario.

The 43rd Canadian federal election is scheduled for October 21, 2019. During the election campaign period, municipal governments should delay hosting media events or making announcements about projects that received federal Gas Tax funding. During this time, both AMO and Infrastructure Canada will not be participating in any communications events related to the federal Gas Tax Fund. Contact gastax@amo.on.ca for more information.