

Join the discussion on the 2008 Operating Budget

Parks, recreation, roads, bridges, libraries, transit, emergency services, water, garbage collection and recycling are just some of the more than 40 major services your City government delivers every day – some 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. It is the role of your municipal government to provide and protect municipal services and to build a liveable, prosperous city that provides opportunity for all.

That's why the funding that supports the City's budget is so important. How City Council manages the City's budget directly affects the quality of life for every resident in this city. The budget determines what programs and services City Council can afford to offer residents.

The City of Toronto is now considering the **2008 Operating Budget**. As the City prepares the 2008 budget we need the support of business and residents. Detailed information about the City's budget will be available online at www.toronto.ca as of January 28. If you would like to make your views regarding the 2008 Operating Budget known to the Budget Committee or your Councillor, you are invited to participate in the discussion through one of the following methods:

1. **Make a public presentation to the Budget Committee at its Operating Budget Hearings:** Stakeholders & General Public
Budget Committee Meeting
February 5
Time: 9:30 a.m.
Location: Committee Room 1 (or Council Chamber)

Please contact 416-392-7340 if you intend to make a public presentation. Presenters will be given five minutes to make their presentation.

2. **Submit a written presentation to:** Budget Committee
Toronto City Hall
100 Queen Street West
10th floor, West Tower
Toronto, ON M5H 2N2
Email: clerk@toronto.ca

3. **Send a letter or email to your local City Councillor:**
For information on how to contact your City Councillor, please call Access Toronto at 416-338-0338.

Toronto City Council will consider the final 2008 Operating Budget at City Council meetings on March 31 & April 1.

