

Infrastructure

Budget 2017 invests \$573.1 million in key areas including roads, schools, health care facilities and municipal infrastructure projects to encourage economic growth and assist with leveraging federal funding. The investment is part of a nearly \$3 billion multi-year infrastructure plan, which will support the equivalent of an average of 4,900 full-time jobs per year over the next five years.

Roads and Ferries

Budget 2017 allocates \$217 million for priority infrastructure projects. Budget commitments include:

- \$77.2 million for the five-year Provincial Roads Program.
- \$55.7 million to advance hard surfacing of the Trans Labrador Highway.
- \$21.2 million to continue construction of the Team Gushue Highway.
- \$21.5 million for vessel refits, maintenance and upgrades to ferry terminals, wharves and passenger waiting facilities.

Health Care

Budget 2017 provides \$88.2 million for health care infrastructure to support the efficient delivery of quality care and access to treatment. Budget commitments include:

- \$43 million for repairs and renovations at health facilities and replacement and upgrades of medical equipment province-wide.
- \$13.2 million to advance the replacement of Western Memorial Regional Hospital.

- \$7.5 million to advance the replacement of the Waterford Hospital.
- \$4.6 million to increase long-term care capacity in central Newfoundland and Corner Brook.
- \$4.6 million to develop a new cystoscopy/endoscopy suite at the Central Newfoundland Health Centre in Grand Falls-Windsor.

K-12 Education

Budget 2017 commits \$53.8 million for new schools, school extensions and school repairs and maintenance. Budget commitments include:

- \$17.7 million to complete new school projects in Conception Bay South, Gander, Portugal Cove-St. Philips, Torbay and replacement of Virginia Park Elementary, St. John's.
- \$16.5 million for repairs and maintenance projects at existing schools.
- \$12.6 million for construction of school extensions.
- \$3.6 million to continue planning and design for reconstruction of Gander Academy, to begin planning and design of a new Grade 5-8 school in Paradise and to continue advancement of a new primary school in Coley's Point.

Post-Secondary Education

Budget 2017 allocates \$44.7 million to the province's public post-secondary institutions for infrastructure projects. Budget commitments include:

- \$17.1 million towards the construction of the Centre of Excellence for Heavy Equipment Industrial Trades at College of the North Atlantic.
- \$12 million towards the construction of the Animal Resource Centre at Memorial University.
- \$6.2 million towards renewal and modernization projects at College of the North Atlantic.
- \$4.4 million for infrastructure needs and priority projects at Memorial University and College of the North Atlantic.
- \$1.2 million for Memorial University's Battery Facility.

Multi-Year Infrastructure Plan

▶ **\$3 billion/5 Years**

▶  The equivalent of an average of **4,900 full-time jobs** per year over the next five years

Provincial Roads Program

▶ **\$77.2 million** 
2017-18 | **\$62 m** 2016-17

Community Investment

Budget 2017 commits \$142.4 million under municipal infrastructure programs, \$16.6 million for improved social and affordable housing and \$1.2 million for justice facilities. Budget commitments include:

- \$70 million for municipal water/wastewater projects funding under the Clean Wastewater Fund.
- \$38.1 million for municipal projects funding under the Municipal Capital Works and Multi-year Capital Works programs.
- \$15 million for municipal projects funded under the National Regional Project Component of the New Building Canada Fund.
- \$10.2 million for maintenance, repair and upkeep of public housing properties.
- \$3.6 million to modernize and renovate public rental housing.
- \$500,000 to begin planning for the construction of a new court complex in St. John's.

**Details of all infrastructure investments can be found at:

www.tw.gov.nl.ca/works/Infrastructureplan.pdf