

Budget2015

Balancing Choices for a Promising Future

Infrastructure

Through Budget 2015, the Provincial Government is investing more than \$660 million in roads, schools, health care facilities, and municipal infrastructure projects.

This funding will provide services that are important to the people of the province and generate 4,168 person years of employment. One person-year represents 2,000 hours of work per year – the equivalent of someone working 40 hours per week, for 50 weeks.

Transportation and Works

Budget 2015 allocates \$317.9 million in priority infrastructure projects including:

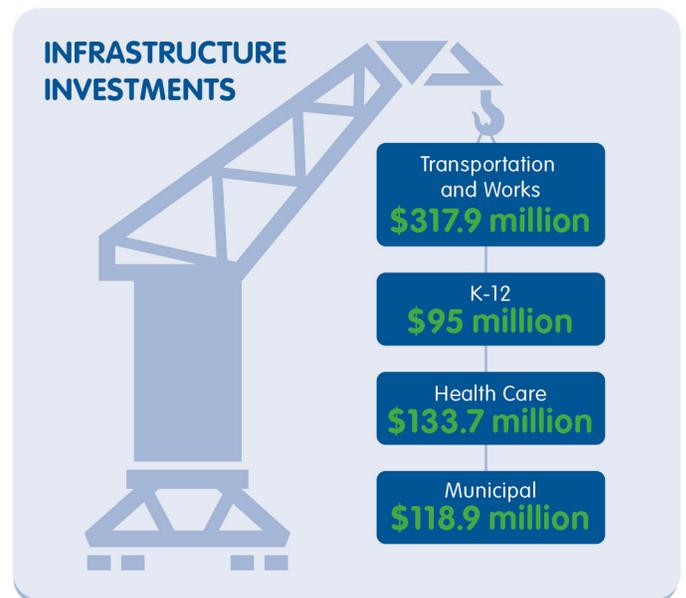
- \$68.3 million for the Provincial Roads Program, which includes the completion of strategic priority projects started in 2014.
- \$15.9 million for major road upgrades to two sections of the TCH: Gambo to Benton and Salmonier Line to Whitbourne, cost-shared with the Federal Government.
- \$55 million to continue work on the Trans Labrador Highway, for a total project cost of \$565.7 million since 2004.
- \$5.3 million to start construction of the new Sir Robert Bond Bridge.
- \$21.3 million to continue the Placentia Lift Bridge replacement.
- \$13 million for upgrades to bridges throughout the province.
- \$41.5 million as part of a total investment of over \$126.7 million for the purchase of two new ferries for Bell Island and Fogo Island-Change Islands.
- \$13.1 million for renovations to wharf infrastructure for two new ferries.
- \$17.7 million as the final payment upon delivery of a fifth CL-415 water bomber, marking complete renewal of the fleet.

- \$12.1 million for maintenance, repairs and improvements to provincial buildings.

K-12 Infrastructure

Budget 2015 allocates a total investment of over \$95 million for K-12 infrastructure. This includes:

- \$8.2 million allocated for new projects including three new schools, modular classrooms, as well as extension and renovation projects.
- \$65 million for ongoing projects including school construction and extension projects.
- \$22 million for repairs and maintenance.



Health Care Infrastructure

Budget 2015 includes a total of \$133.7 million to ensure access to new and modern health care facilities and equipment, including:

- \$40 million for new health care equipment.
- \$20 million for repair and renovation projects.
- \$17.3 million for continued work on the new long-term care facility in Carbonear.
- At the Health Sciences Centre in St. John's:
 - \$16.6 million for continued construction of the new Molecular Imaging Facility which will house the new PET scanner.
 - \$5.4 million for ongoing development of a new electrical substation.
 - \$4.6 million for upgrading of the emergency power generating capacity.
 - \$3 million for redevelopment of the medical equipment cleaning and sterilization area.
 - \$700,000 for continued upgrading of the operating suites.
- \$9.6 million for continued work on the replacement of the Western Memorial Regional Hospital in Corner Brook.
- \$5.8 million for continued construction of an extension of the long-term care facility in Happy Valley-Goose Bay.
- At the Central Newfoundland Regional Health Centre in Grand Falls-Windsor:
 - \$3.8 million for the development of a new endoscopy/ cystoscopy suite.
 - \$1.2 million to commence lab upgrades.
- \$2.3 million to advance the development of a new health centre in Springdale.
- \$1.3 million to complete the new protective community residence in Clarendville.
- \$964,900 for the completion of a new adult addictions treatment centre in Harbour Grace.
- \$500,000 to begin work on a new protective community residence for Burin.

Municipal Infrastructure

Budget 2015 provides for a provincial investment of \$118.9 million in municipal infrastructure to complete new and ongoing projects under Multi-Year Capital Works and Municipal Capital Works. This includes:

- Projects approved to date from last year's \$200 million commitment, as well as funding associated with the completion of projects under the Federal/ Provincial Building Canada Plan.
- These projects will include water and wastewater treatment, water and sewer projects, municipal buildings, street improvements, and recreational facilities.
- Since 2008, the Provincial Government approved in excess of \$800 million in municipal infrastructure projects resulting in improved municipal infrastructure across the province. When federal and municipal contributions are included the total approved funding for municipal infrastructure is in excess of \$1.3 billion.
- \$24.9 million to support recreational infrastructure which brings the investment since 2004 to \$169.6 million.