

2014-15 Core Operational Plan Highlights

Provincial Municipal Support

The 2014-15 Core Operational Plan provides \$394.6M of direct provincial support to municipalities. This represents an increase of \$32.8M or 9.1 per cent from the 2013-14 Budget and \$152.7M or 63.1 per cent from 2007-08 Budget.

Municipal Revenue Sharing accounts for the most significant portion of this funding at \$257.0M in 2014-15, a decrease of \$7.5M or 2.8 per cent from the 2013-14 Budget. This is an increase of \$129.7M or 102 per cent from 2007-08 Budget.

This funding includes only provincial funding to municipalities and as such, does not include federal funding that flows through the Ministry of Government Relations to municipalities.

REVENUE SHARING

- The Plan includes \$257.0M for Municipal Revenue Sharing through Government Relations, a decrease of \$7.5M or 2.8 per cent from the 2013-14 Budget, equal to revenue from one full point of Provincial Sales Tax (PST) based on the 2012-13 Public Accounts. This is an increase of \$129.7M or 102 per cent from 2007-08 Budget.
- Total funding will be allocated as follows:
 - \$165.2M, or a \$4.8M decrease, to urban municipalities;
 - \$72.6M, or a \$2.1M decrease, to rural municipalities; and,
 - \$19.2M, or a \$556K decrease, to northern municipalities.

INFRASTRUCTURE

- Highlights of the \$90.4M in provincial support for municipal infrastructure includes:
 - \$50.0M for Regina's Stadium Project (Parks, Culture and Sport);
 - \$25.5M for the Municipal Roads Strategy (Highways and Infrastructure);
 - \$8.4M for the Urban Connector Program (Highways and Infrastructure);
 - \$2.6M for the Saskatchewan Infrastructure Growth Initiative (Government Relations);
 - \$2.9M for the provincial share of various federal-provincial-municipal infrastructure programs (Government Relations); and,
 - \$1.0M to rehabilitate irrigation bridges on municipal roads (Agriculture).

OTHER FUNDING

- Highlights of the \$47.2M in other funding for municipalities includes:
 - \$1.7M for the Making Community Rinks More Affordable Grant which provides each municipally operated rink in the Province with a \$2,500 annual operating grant (Parks, Culture and Sport);
 - \$6.0M to maintain grant funding for Urban Parks (Parks, Culture and Sport and Advanced Education);
 - \$11.1M grant for Libraries (Education);
 - \$14.2M in policing grants (Corrections and Policing);
 - \$7.6M for Grants in Lieu of Taxes for municipalities and libraries (Government Relations);
 - \$3.5M for the Transit Assistance for People with Disabilities Program (Government Relations); and,
 - \$1.3M for the Discount Bus Pass Program (Social Services).

Details of Revenue Sharing

The following breakdown by pools includes revenue sharing commitments for the last eight years for the urban pool, made up of cities, towns, villages and resort villages; the rural pool made up of rural municipalities and organized hamlets; and the northern pool, made up of northern municipalities.

Revenue Sharing – Saskatchewan Pools*

	2014-15	2013-14	2012-13	2011-12	2010-11	2009-10	2008-09	2007-08
Urban	\$165.21	\$ 170.00	\$ 151.94	\$ 138.75	\$ 107.13	\$ 107.13	\$ 77.94	\$ 67.45
Rural**	\$72.61	\$ 74.71	\$ 68.84	\$ 62.87	\$ 48.55	\$ 48.55	\$ 61.58	\$ 49.63
North	\$19.16	\$ 19.72	\$ 16.62	\$ 15.18	\$ 11.72	\$ 11.72	\$ 11.04	\$ 10.18
Total	\$256.98	\$ 264.43	\$ 237.40	\$ 216.80	\$ 167.40	\$ 167.40	\$ 150.56	\$ 127.26

Numbers are in millions and rounded to the nearest two decimals.

*All figures are based on budgeted amounts.

**Includes conditional road and bridge funding, Primary Weight Corridor funding (2007-08 and 2008-09), Communities in Transition (CIT) capital. These programs, with the exception of CIT, have been transferred to the Ministry of Highways and Infrastructure.

Following is a breakdown of municipal revenue sharing for the past eight years for Saskatchewan's cities. Martensville and Meadow Lake, which became cities in 2009, and Warman, which became a city in 2012, are included. The 2012-13, 2013-14 and 2014-15 totals were determined based on the 2011 census data.

Revenue Sharing – Saskatchewan Cities

	2014-15	2013-14	2012-13	2011-12	2010-11	2009-10	2008-09	2007-08
Estevan	\$2.27	\$ 2.35	\$ 2.10	\$ 1.89	\$ 1.46	\$ 1.46	\$ 1.02	\$ 0.89
Humboldt	\$1.17	\$ 1.21	\$ 1.08	\$ 0.94	\$ 0.72	\$ 0.72	\$ 0.51	\$ 0.44
Lloydminster (SK)	\$2.02	\$ 2.08	\$ 1.85	\$ 1.52	\$ 1.17	\$ 1.17	\$ 0.82	\$ 0.71
Martensville	\$1.60	\$ 1.64	\$1.55	\$ 0.98	\$ 0.75	-	-	-
Meadow Lake	\$1.04	\$ 1.07	\$1.01	\$ 0.95	\$ 0.72	-	-	-
Melfort	\$1.15	\$ 1.19	\$ 1.06	\$ 0.97	\$ 0.75	\$ 0.75	\$ 0.53	\$ 0.46
Melville	\$0.94	\$ 0.96	\$ 0.86	\$ 0.78	\$ 0.60	\$ 0.60	\$ 0.42	\$ 0.36
Moose Jaw	\$6.88	\$ 7.07	\$ 6.31	\$ 6.01	\$ 4.64	\$ 4.64	\$ 3.26	\$ 2.82
North Battleford	\$2.87	\$ 2.95	\$ 2.63	\$ 2.47	\$ 1.91	\$ 1.91	\$ 1.34	\$ 1.16
Prince Albert	\$7.27	\$ 7.47	\$ 6.66	\$ 6.38	\$ 4.93	\$ 4.93	\$ 3.47	\$ 3.00
Regina	\$39.94	\$ 41.07	\$ 36.62	\$ 33.54	\$ 25.90	\$ 25.90	\$ 18.20	\$ 15.75
Saskatoon	\$45.95	\$ 47.25	\$ 42.14	\$ 37.86	\$ 29.23	\$ 29.23	\$ 20.54	\$ 17.78
Swift Current	\$3.21	\$ 3.30	\$ 2.94	\$ 2.80	\$ 2.16	\$ 2.16	\$ 1.52	\$ 1.31
Warman	\$1.47	\$ 1.51	-	-	-	-	-	-
Weyburn	\$2.17	\$ 2.23	\$ 1.99	\$ 1.77	\$ 1.36	\$ 1.36	\$ 0.96	\$ 0.83
Yorkton	\$3.24	\$ 3.33	\$ 2.97	\$ 2.81	\$ 2.17	\$ 2.17	\$ 1.53	\$ 1.32
Total	\$123.20	\$ 126.68	\$ 111.77	\$ 101.67	\$ 78.47	\$ 77.00	\$ 54.12	\$ 46.83

*Numbers are in millions and rounded to the nearest two decimals.

Details of Provincial Municipal Support

Program	Ministry	2007-08 Budget (\$000s)	2013-14 Budget (\$000s)	2014-15 Budget (\$000s)
Urban Revenue Sharing	Government Relations	67,447	170,003	165,212
Rural Revenue Sharing ¹	Government Relations	49,631	74,713	72,607
Northern Revenue Sharing	Government Relations	10,181	19,716	19,160
Strategic Municipal Roads and Bridges/MREP	Highways and Infrastructure	5,000	25,500	25,500
SIGI	Government Relations	-	5,290	2,589
Urban Connectors	Highways and Infrastructure	-	7,886	8,388
Building Communities Program	Parks, Culture and Sport	40,000	3,166	468
Canada-Saskatchewan Infrastructure Program ²	Government Relations	1,188	-	-
Urban Development Agreements	Government Relations	1,582	-	-
MRIF ²	Government Relations	18,858	-	-
BCF- Communities Component ²	Government Relations	-	2,873	-
BCF-MIC	Government Relations	-	4,851	2,758
Provincial/Territorial Base Fund ²	Government Relations	-	259	113
Canada Strategic Infrastructure Fund	Government Relations	11,500	-	-
GIL of Property Taxes (Municipal) ³	Government Relations	5,032	6,640	7,069
GIL of Property Taxes (Libraries) ³	Government Relations	387	507	572
Libraries	Education	7,267	11,008	11,090
Transit Assistance for People with Disabilities	Government Relations	2,650	3,537	3,537
Discount Bus Pass Program	Social Services	876	1,290	1,290
Urban Parks	Parks, Culture and Sport/Advanced Education	5,106	5,954	5,954
RCMP Subsidy	Justice/Corrections and Policing	756	1,697	346
Police Grants	Justice/Corrections and Policing	6,880	13,255	13,880
Mosquito Control	Health	1,114	-	-
Rural Physician Recruitment Incentive	Health	-	250	685
Strategic Partnership Program - Highways	Highways and Infrastructure	6,000	-	-
Making Community Rinks More Affordable	Parks, Culture and Sport	-	1,700	1,700
Community Airports Partnership Program	Highways and Infrastructure	465	700	700
Regina Stadium Project	Parks, Culture and Sport	-	-	50,000
Rehabilitation of Irrigation Bridges on Municipal Roads	Agriculture	-	1,000	1,000
Total Provincial Funding		241,920	361,795	394,618

¹ The 2007-08 Budget includes funding for Rural Municipal Primary Weight Corridors.

² The amount shown in Estimates includes both federal and provincial share of funding for these infrastructure programs. This table reflects the forecasted estimate of the provincial share of funding for these programs.

³ Figures for GIL of Property Taxes (Municipal and Libraries) have been revised as the Public Account total includes all GIL funding which benefits school divisions as well as municipalities.