

Budget Highlights

Middlesex County Budget 2026



Looking Ahead

The 2026 Middlesex County Budget is about investing in the things that matter most to our community. It supports essential services residents rely on every day, maintains roads and infrastructure, and makes thoughtful improvements that benefit families, businesses, and neighbourhoods across the County. This budget reflects careful planning to balance community needs with responsible use of financial resources.

Key Enhancements for 2026



EarlyON Program Expansion - Evening and Saturday Access

Expanded EarlyON programming to improve accessibility and support for working families.



Community Transportation Program Extension

Five-year extension of Middlesex County Connect under provincial implementation funding.



Economic Development & CISP Launch

Funding to support local municipal Community Improvement Plans and growth initiatives.



Library System Leadership Restoration

Reinstatement of the Manager of Library Services to modernize system-wide service delivery.



Corporate Records Digitization

Temporary Records Assistant to accelerate corporate readiness for the new Governance & Administration Centre.



Community Well-Being Support Enhancements

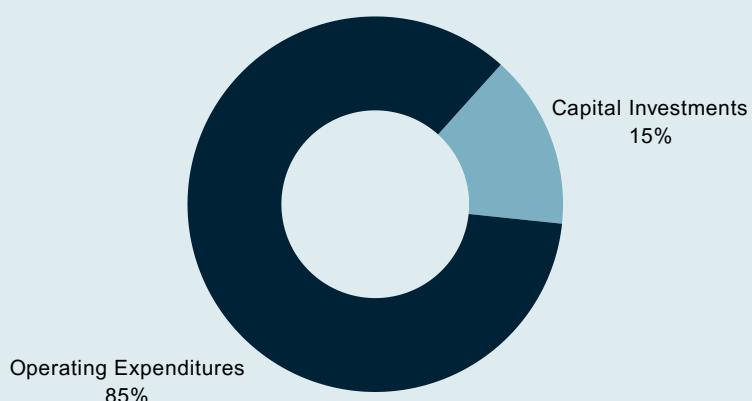
Strengthened supports for vulnerable populations through expanded Human Services programming.



**Total Budget:
Approximately \$201 million**



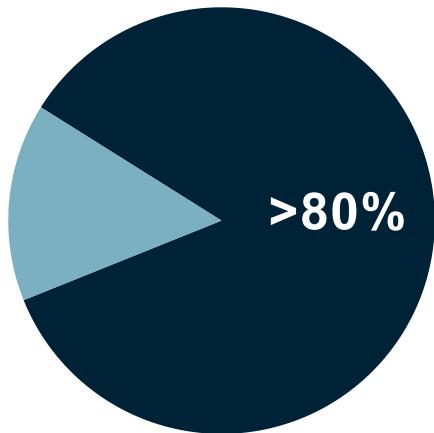
**County Levy Increase:
3.87%**



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\$27.2M

2026 Capital Program



Transportation Infrastructure

- More than 80% of Capital investment directed to transportation infrastructure:
 - 56.5km of roadwork
 - 4 structures
- Reflects the size of County network and the importance of safe, reliable roads, bridges and structures.
- Investment Goal: to protect service levels today, prevent costly backlogs tomorrow, and responsibly prepare for upcoming bridge and infrastructure rehabilitation.

County Property Tax

For a typical residential property, the County portion of the tax bill increases by \$17.89 per \$100,000 of assessed value in 2026. This increase supports essential County services, infrastructure maintenance, and targeted community investments. Actual property taxes will vary based on property assessment and local municipal and education tax rates.

2025-2026 Municipal Tax Impact by Property Class at a Standard \$100,000 Assessment

Classification	Assessment Value	2025 Taxes	2026 Taxes	Increase \$	Increase %
Residential	\$100,000	\$462.28	\$480.17	\$17.89	3.87%
Commercial	\$100,000	\$529.27	\$549.75	\$20.48	3.87%
Industrial	\$100,000	\$806.73	\$837.95	\$31.22	3.87%

**Figures reflect the County portion of property taxes only.*