

Year In Review 2021



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FOREWORD:

A Message From the Member of Provincial Parliament

In the **2021** budget, **Minister of Finance** outlined an important promise that has been guiding the Ontario government's focus: we will first and foremost Protect People's Health, and second Protect Our Economy. These will continue to be our priorities as we finish the fight against the pandemic.



Sheref Sabawy

Indeed, over the last few years, we have faced many unexpected challenges. But thanks to the hard work and resiliency of Ontarians, I am confident that better days are ahead.

"I'm very grateful for the opportunity to serve as your representative at Queen's Park. My office and I are always here for you, ready to assist in any way we can. I look forward to hearing from you in the months and years to come."

Since 2018, the Ontario government has been working hard to make meaningful changes for the people of Ontario. As part of our plan to Build Ontario, we have made record-setting announcements including for new hospitals, better transit, and improved education.

This newsletter provides an update on the work that we have completed this year. It also provides an outline of projects and services that the Ontario government is funding which will benefit the residents of Mississauga Erin-Mills for years to come.

HEALTH, Mental Health, and Addictions



New State-of-the-Art Mississauga Hospital

Ending hallway health care!

The largest single-hospital
infrastructure investment in
Ontario history:

\$30.2 Billion 

10 YEARS



- 600 new hospital beds for Trillium Health Partners
- A completely redeveloped Mississauga Hospital
- One of the largest emergency departments in the province
- More Operating Rooms
- New inpatient tower at the Queensway Health Centre

Thousands More Health-Care Workers by March

To better staff Ontario's LTC facilities and lighten the burden on hospitals, the Ontario Government announced an ambitious plan to recruit **6700 professionals** by March 31st, 2022! These new positions will include nursing students, medical students, and other students in the field of health care! These students will be placed in various LTCs across Ontario while they work on acquiring their certification in Ontario. This addition will go a long way towards lightening the pressure on hospital nurses!



Expanding Career Growth Opportunities for PSWs and Nurses in LTC



The Government of Ontario seeks to recruit
**2000 NEW LONG TERM
CARE NURSES**

\$100 MILLION 
has been allocated to

BEGIN initiative:
Bridging Educational Grant In Nursing: *A program which will assist PSWs and RPNs in pursuing further education through*

- Up to **\$6000/year** in tuition support for eligible PSWs
- Up to **\$10,000/year** in tuition support for eligible RPNs
- Up to **\$5000** in additional support for course materials, travel and childcare fees



Nursing Program Transformation in Ontario's Colleges: *A program which will increase access to nursing programs in publicly assisted colleges through*

- Introduction of hybrid online and in-person learning models in practical nursing and Bachelor of Science in Nursing programs – Students can have the flexibility to learn on their own time
- Creating an additional **500 enrolments** in bridging programs for the 2022-23 academic year – giving applicants the skills and credentials to move on to the next stage of their careers
- Providing up to **\$6,000** a year in financial support to internationally trained nurses to gain the credentials required to work in Ontario



Mental Health



In response to the COVID-19 pandemic,

in
2020-21

The province invested up to **\$194 MILLION**  emergency funding for *mental health* and *addictions services*.

THIS FUNDING INCLUDED

- **\$23.6 million** to support internet-based Cognitive Behavioural Therapy
- **\$5.9 million** for mental health and addictions services for frontline health care workers
- **\$1.9 million** for increased access to clinical psychologists specializing in trauma, mood, and anxiety disorders and other psychological conditions
- **\$4.6 million** for workplace mental health training

We are proud to say the Ontario government introduced an additional

\$12 MILLION 

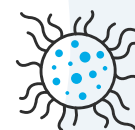
Mental health supports during COVID-19, in order to protect the most vulnerable members of our community.



• **\$934 400** for Trillium Health Partners in Mississauga

• **\$467 200** for the William Osler Health System in Brampton

Vaccine Rollout



A total of over **335,000** COVID-19 vaccine doses were administered at the University of Toronto-Mississauga vaccination clinic by Trillium Health Partners.

To help administer boosters, another mass vaccination clinic was opened in December of 2021 at the International Centre in Mississauga. When at full capacity, this clinic can administer approximately 19,000 vaccinations per day.



SENIORS, Accessibility, and Long-Term Care



Investment in New LTC Projects

As part of Ontario's Long-Term Care Modernization Plan, the government is investing

\$933 MILLION
across the province to



CREATE

7,510

NEW
LTC
SPACES

UPGRADE

4,197

EXITING
SPACES

\$1.5 MILLION



LTC in Mississauga
Erin-Mills in 2021

- **Ivan Franko Homes Expansion**

- **43** new long-term care spaces
- **85** upgraded spaces
- **128** beds

through the construction of a new building.

- **Tyndall Seniors Village**

- **73** new long-term care spaces
- **151** upgraded spaces
- **224** beds

through the construction of a new building.



Seniors Active Living Center

Ontario is working to support the health and well-being of local seniors during COVID-19. That is why the province is continuing to invest in Seniors Active Living Centre programs in 2020-21. Seniors Active Living Centre operators will use the funds to help local seniors stay safe and socially connected through virtual and remote programs.

Ivan Franko Homes

\$54,009.88 



Mississauga Seniors Centre

\$54,009.88 



Protecting Against COVID-19 in Retirement Homes

The Ontario government is locally investing

\$308,579.55   in Mississauga-Erin Mills

to help the retirement home sector cover COVID-19 related costs such as hiring, training and testing additional staff, and sanitizing residences and purchasing supplies to prevent and contain the spread of infection



LABOUR, Economic Development, Job Creation, and Trade



Right to Disconnect

Over the last few years, the line between work time and personal time has become increasingly blurred. The Working for Workers Act, 2021 will require medium and large businesses to implement a written policy with respect to disconnecting from work. This historic legislation is the first of its kind in Canada, and is an important step in maintaining the work-life balance of Ontario's workers.



Eliminating “The Canadian Experience” Requirement

In order to address the provincewide labour shortage in regulated skilled professions, Ontario is reducing some of the barriers that internationally-trained immigrants face when trying to become licensed in Ontario.

These changes include:

- **Eliminate Canadian work experience requirements for most professional registration and licensing**
- **Reduce duplication for official language proficiency testing**
- **Allow applicants to register faster in their regulated professions during emergencies and times of crisis**

“For newcomers, finding work is their top priority. They have the skills and motivation but face multiple barriers to getting started [...] they often face endless government bureaucracy and red tape.” – Minister of Labour, Training and Skills Development

“The difficulties faced by immigrants when starting their careers is a well-known issue that has lasted way too long. Helping Newcomers and internationally trained immigrants jump start their careers to practice their profession is exactly what this legislation aims to do.”

– MPP Sheref Sabawy



O-AMP



Ontario is well positioned to become a North American hub for developing and building the car of the future through emerging technologies and advanced manufacturing processes. The recently launched Ontario Automotive Modernization Program is now in Phase 2 and plans to invest **\$12 Million** over the next 10 years in small and medium-sized automotive parts suppliers.

• Funding awarded thus far helped leverage over **\$25 million** in investments

Three Mississauga Projects funded

\$100,000  **Robic Group International**

\$100,000  **Ultrafit**

\$49,950  **JMR Plastics**

"The auto and manufacturing sectors are cornerstones of Ontario's economy, providing good jobs for local families and workers. Through O-AMP, our government is creating the right economic climate to encourage investment, innovation and growth."

- Minister of Economic Development, Job Creation and Trade

Rural Economic Development

The Ontario government continues to help rural communities diversify their economies, retain skilled workers, and create jobs by investing nearly **\$800,000** in **16 projects**. These projects are intended to help rural areas attract new businesses and grow existing ones.



HERITAGE, Sport, Tourism, and Culture



Ontario Staycation Tax Credit

To encourage Ontario families to explore the province, and to support the tourism and hospitality sectors recover after the financial impacts of the pandemic, the Ontario government is implementing a temporary staycation tax credit.

During 2022, Ontarians will be able to claim **20%** of eligible accommodation expenses in Ontario — up to a maximum of **\$1000** as an individual or **\$2000** for a family.



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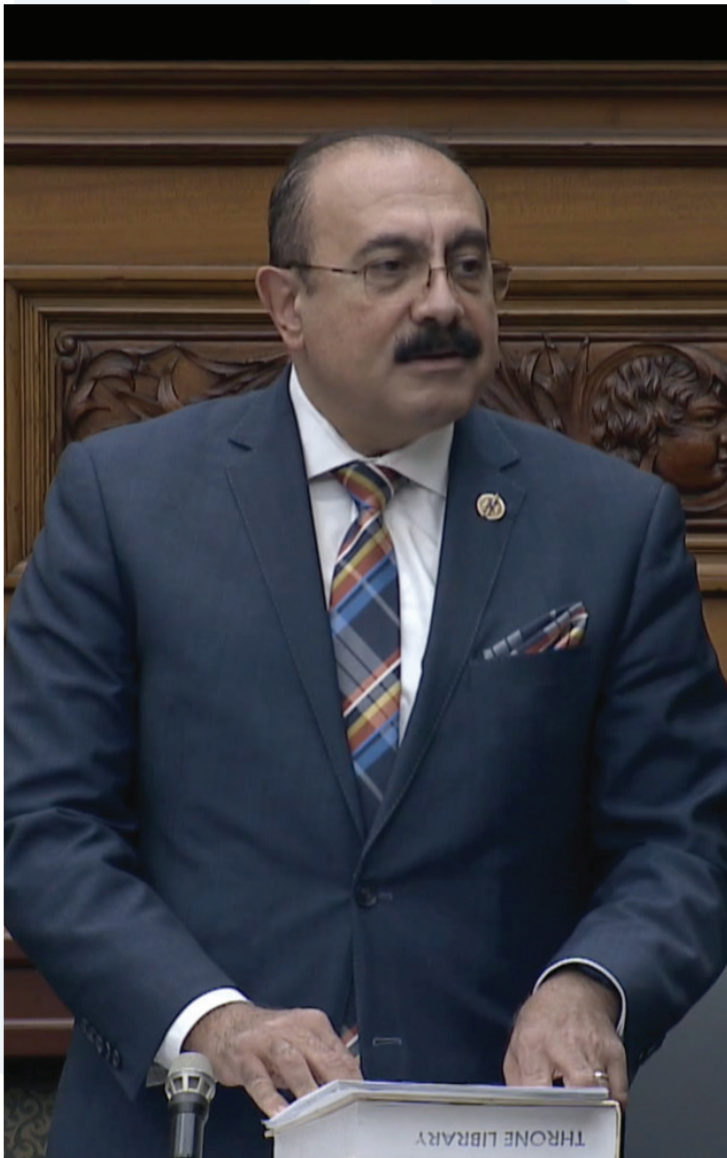
Member's Bill



Ontario Religious Freedom Day Act

On November 2nd, 2021, MPP Sheref Sabawy introduced Bill 42, An Act to proclaim Ontario Religious Freedom Day. If passed, the bill would proclaim October 27th of each year as 'Ontario Religious Freedom Day,' and encourage Ontarians to remember and respect the countless victims of religious persecution.

"I am pleased to introduce this important legislation which serves as a reminder that Ontario continues to protect and advocate for religious freedom. Canada has served as a beacon and safe haven for peoples fleeing religious persecution for many decades, enriching our multicultural, multi-faith and multi-ethnic society, especially here in Ontario". - MPP Sabawy



EDUCATION

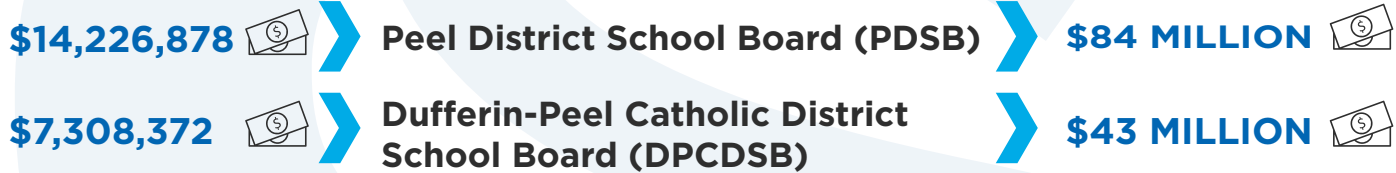


Safe Return to School

Studying in classes, alongside friends and teachers is crucial for the learning and mental wellbeing of students. That is why the province of Ontario has made conscious efforts towards keeping students studying in-person. The government’s decision to reopen schools follows the advice of medical experts, and we are taking every precaution in order to do so safely.

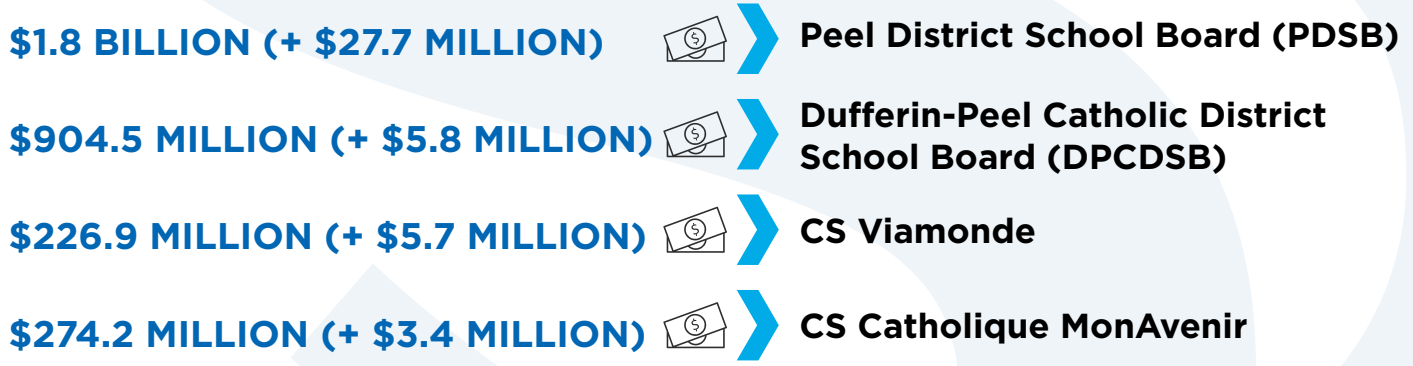
To protect staff and students from COVID-19, the Ontario government *increased* funding

Total Fundings



- Purchase remote learning devices such as laptops and tablets
- Cover health and safety costs such as additional staffing and personal protective equipment
- Investment in portable HEPA Filters and other immediate options to improve air quality and ventilation in schools.
- Support safe and secure transportation for students

Grants for Student Needs 2021-22



New Licenced Child Care Spaces

The Ontario government is investing

\$42.6 MILLION  to create more than 1500 additional licensed childcare spaces across the province! These will include

- 18 infant rooms (180 new spaces)
- 28 toddler rooms (420 new spaces)
- 36 preschool rooms (864 new spaces)
- 7 family age group rooms (105 new spaces)

Base Education Funding

Ontario’s base education funding for the 2021-22 year (year end March 31) is increasing to **\$30.79 Billion** — an **8.47%** increase over the previous year.

MUNICIPAL Affairs and Housing



Emergency Shelter in Peel Region

A former hotel in Mississauga has been permanently converted into 120 emergency shelter units. The existing Peel Family Shelter was relocated to the new location in January of 2021. The new units are equipped with private washrooms, and are in close proximity to transit, dental, medical and pharmacy services, as well as public parks and the Meadowvale library branch.

Ontario allocated
\$10,703,506.00



to help the Region of Peel respond to an increase in COVID-19 cases in emergency shelters and help keep vulnerable people safe.

This funding will be allocated to hiring and training new shelter staff, purchasing PPE equipment and supplies, and investing in rent and utility banks - preventing future homelessness.



Safe Restart Agreement

The city of Mississauga received an additional
\$20.2 MILLION



in 2021 to help adapt to the Covid-19 pandemic.

Greenbelt

To enhance environmental conservation and to celebrate the importance of our natural ecosystems, the Ontario Greenbelt was expanded to include 21 urban river valleys in the Greater Toronto Area. As part of this expansion, approximately 90 kilometres of protected valleys stretching along the Credit River is now protected.

The Ontario government recognizes the importance of balancing urban growth with environmental sustainability. That is why, for every acre where a Ministry Zoning Order has been issued, the Ontario government is enhancing and protecting two acres of land.



INFRASTRUCTURE



South Common Community Centre

Ontario is investing 73%
of the funding

OVER \$45 MILLION



for a \$61 million renovation of
the South Common Community
Centre.

This improved community centre will have:

- 1 ▶ **Indoor and outdoor fitness spaces**
- 2 ▶ **Aquatics centre**
- 3 ▶ **New gymnasium**
- 4 ▶ **Multi-purpose community rooms**
- 5 ▶ **Larger 16,000 sq-foot library**



Hurontario LRT

Construction is continuing on the Hurontario LRT — an 18-kilometre corridor from the Port Credit GO Station to the Brampton Gateway Terminal. The Hurontario LRT will use electrically powered light rail vehicles to connect commuters between existing systems transit, including the Milton and Lakeshore GO lines, the Mississauga Transitway, and the Züm Transitway. This LRT will be a critical part of the Ontario government's plan for an integrated, sustainable, affordable, and reliable transit network in the Golden Horseshoe Region.



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TRANSPORTATION



Investing in Canada Infrastructure Project – Mississauga

TOTAL \$113.5 MILLION
of funding
(\$51.5 MILLION PROVINCIAL)



for Mississauga transit

These upgrades include:

- 1 ▶ **A bus rapid transit corridor along Lakeshore Rd**
- 2 ▶ **Bus rehabilitations**
- 3 ▶ **Improvements to transit terminals and on-street bus shelters**
- 4 ▶ **Intelligent transportation system hardware upgrades**
- 5 ▶ **Safety partitions along the Mississauga transitway**
- 6 ▶ **Installation of 126 new bus stop pads**

Highway 413

Ontario is building a new highway in the Greater Toronto Area.

It will connect drivers from the Hwy 401/407 interchange North-West of Mississauga to Hwy 400 in Vaughan.

This new transportation corridor will ease congestion, saving drivers hours spent in gridlock. Additionally, while being built, the highway is estimated to create **3500 new jobs**.

Part of the Ontario government's plan to get people, goods, and businesses moving.

Ontario Line

Construction on the new Ontario Line – a standalone 15.6km Rapid Transit line seeking to run from the Ontario Science Center to the Ontario Place Exhibition Place began in 2021! Along with a new means of rapid transit, the line will feature:

- **Fifteen proposed new stations**
- **Numerous connections to the broader transit network (including GO Transit rail services)**
- **Connections to Subway Lines 1 and 2 - as well as the future Line 5 (Eglinton Crosstown LRT)**
- **Numerous new bus and streetcar routes connecting to the Ontario Line**

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