## Budget Presentation April 7, 2014



## Canadian municipalities receive just <u>\$0.08</u> of every tax dollar collected in Canada ✓ <u>\$0.50</u> goes to the federal government ✓ <u>\$0.42</u> goes to the provincial/territorial governments

Source FCM 2008 report





## So how does that \$0.08 of the tax money get spent locally?

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#### Municipal: 47% (\$0.04)

- Corporate Services
  - Licensing
  - Crossing Guards
  - Animal Control
- Parks & Recreation
  - Arenas
  - Pools
  - Parks
  - Recreation Programs
  - Walking Trails
- Community & Culture
  - Museum
  - Horticultural Maintenance
  - BIA (Business Improvement Area)
  - Progress Through Partnership
- Environmental
  - Storm Water Management

- Roads
  - Roads
    - Summer-Winter Maintenance
  - Sidewalks
  - Trees
  - Streetlights
- Planning
  - Planning/Development
  - Economic Development
- Drainage and Waste Management
  - Drainage
  - By-law Enforcement
  - Recycling
  - Transfer Stations
  - **Protective Services** 
    - Fire Service
    - Police Service



## So how does that \$0.08 of the tax money get spent locally?

#### County: 26% (\$0.02)

- Roads
- Economic Development
- Emergency Services
  - Ambulance service
  - Emergency Management
- Library
- Strathmere Lodge
- County Planning
- Ontario Works
- Affordable Housing
- Child care

#### Education: 27% (\$0.02)

- Elementary Education
- Secondary Education
- Adult Education





## Financial Pressures Facing The Municipality

- Three new facilities are opening in 2014, Aquatic Center, Strathroy Splash-pad, and Mt. Brydges Splashpad
- 2. OMFP Funding reduced by \$100,200
- **3. Operating cost are increasing faster than revenues** 
  - 1% increase in Municipalities expenses = \$230,000
  - 1% increase in property taxes = \$130,000
  - 1% increase for an average homeowner = \$14



Finance Committee after several meetings which started in December 2013 and concluded at its meeting March 31<sup>st</sup>,2014 recommends the budget before you tonight. The budget package outlines the tax dollars required to meet expenditures for 2014 is \$13,922,392, an increase of \$245,808, or 1.90% increase, over 2013.

Component	Taxation	Non-Tax Funding	Total
Operation	\$13,100,793	\$12,619,336	\$25,720,129
Capital	\$821,599	\$3,513,631	\$4,335,230
Total Municipal Budget	\$13,922,392	\$16,132,967	\$30,055,359



### **Comparison to 2013 taxation**

Component	2013 Tax	% Inc	2014 Tax	% Inc
	Increase		Increase	
OPERATIONS	\$72,148	0.56%	\$118,472	0.88%
CAPITAL	\$744,263	<b>5.78</b> %	\$127,336	1.02%
TOTALS	\$816,411	6.35%	\$245,808	1.90%



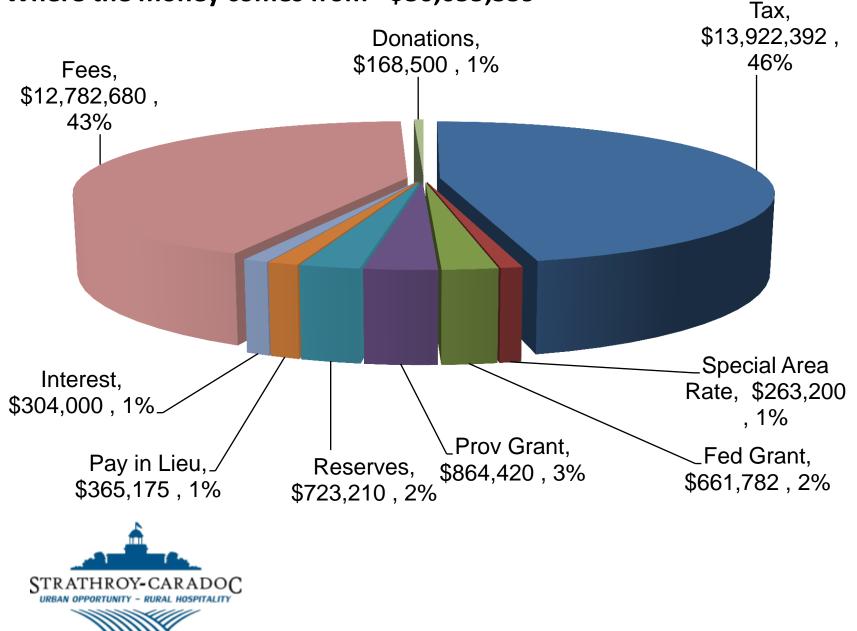
#### **Special Area Rating - Street lighting**

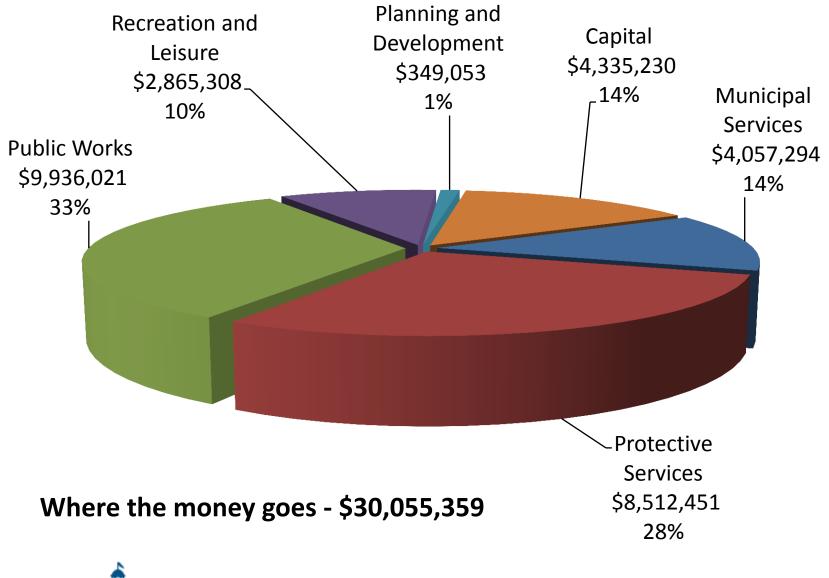
Service Area	2013	2014
Ward 1 – Strathroy	\$159,450	\$174,000
Mount Brydges	\$26,200	\$27,000
Melbourne	\$5,500	\$7,000
Campbellvale	\$1,500	\$1,500





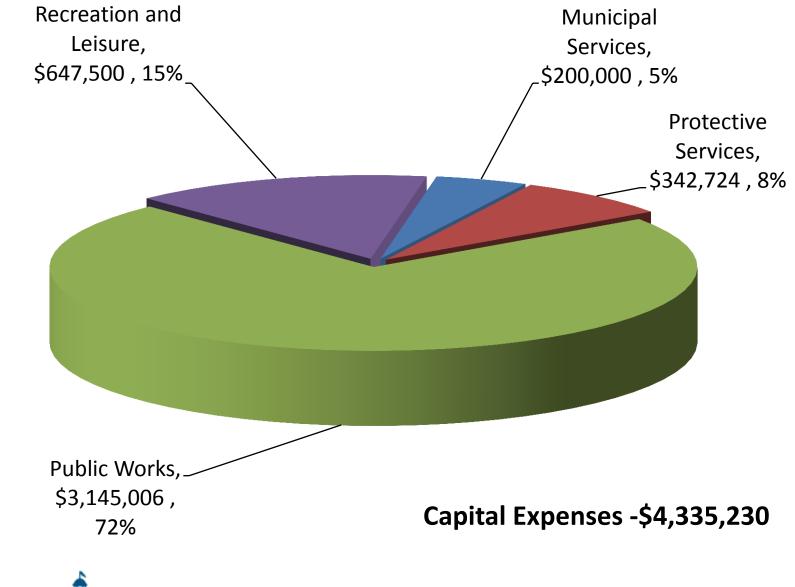
#### Where the money comes from - \$30,055,359













List of Capital Projects: (Tax Levy)

- Municipal Services \$200,000 (\$169,875)
  - IT Upgrade equipment and council chambers (\$70,000)
  - Tri-Township Arena upgrades (\$99,875)
- Recreation & Leisure \$647,500 (\$120,500)
  - Sir Arthur Currie Statue
  - Library Renovations Strathroy and Mt. Brydges
  - Arena upgrades
  - Recreation Master plan
  - Parks upgrades
  - Mt. Brydges Splash-pad
- Public Works \$3,145,006 (\$188,500)
  - County road assumption
  - Tar and Chip Ward #2
  - Sidewalk Upgrades Ward #1
  - Storm water management plan
  - Various Water and Wastewater Projects
  - Metcalfe St. W sewer/road work
  - Carroll St. sewer/road work

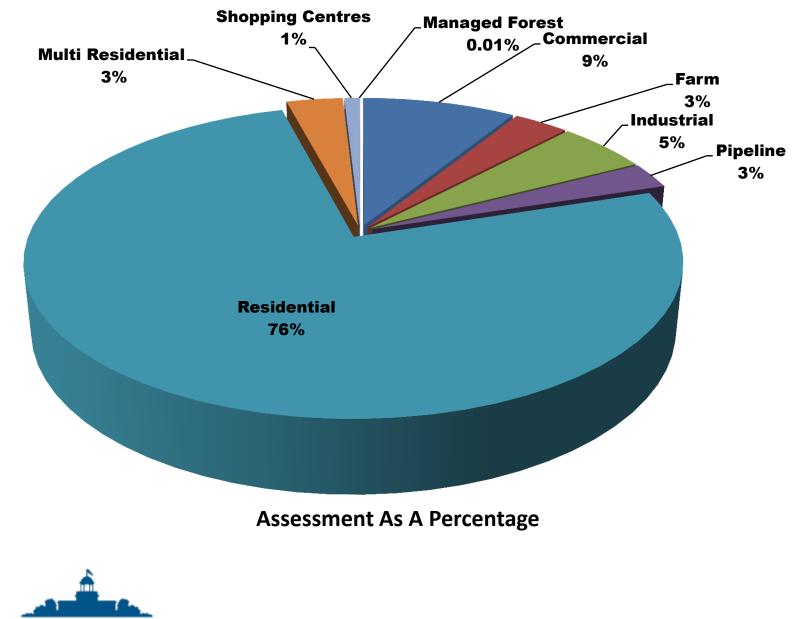


List of Capital Projects: (Continued)

- Protective Services \$342,724 (\$342,724)
  - Small equipment upgrades to Police services
  - Upgrades to the police vehicle fleet
  - Small equipment upgrades to Fire services
  - Defibrillator Mt. Brydges Fire Station
  - Contribution for Aerial Truck replacement in 2015

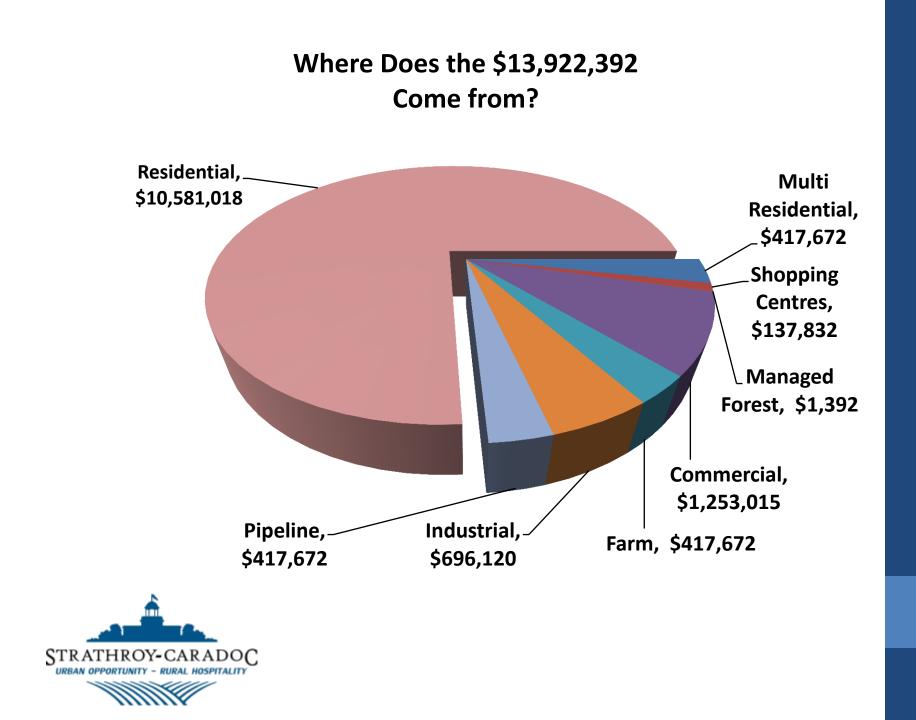
One in five dollars for capital projects comes from taxation, balance is provide through Grants, user fees or other sources.











### Assessment

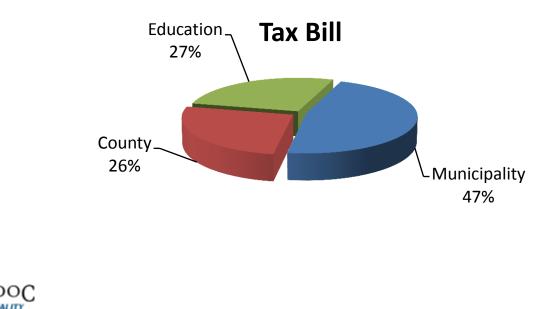
In 2013, the Municipal levy was 47% of the total tax levy (County 26%, Education 27%) These percentages should not change much unless there is a significant change in the levy for one or more of the above jurisdictions.

#### Impact of assessment growth only:

In 2014, the total taxable assessment increase for growth is 0.88%. Assessment growth is new assessment for new/additions to homes, farms, businesses, and industrial and commercial properties.

#### Tax rate increase for 2014 phase-in assessment:

In 2014 the average house in the Municipality saw a phased-in assessment increase of 1.03%





#### The effect on the average household in the Municipality

	% Increase
Proposed budget tax levy increase	1.90%
Less Total Assessment Growth (From new homes, new businesses, etc.)	(0.88%)
Tax levy increase after reduction from above new growth	1.02%
Less Average Phased-in Assessment (increase in property values)	(1.03%)





# The effect of the 1.03% tax levy increase on an average household in the Municipality

Comparative Tax Increase for 2013 vs 2014					
Year	Assessed Value	Local Tax Rate	Taxes		
2013	\$200,000	0.00703776	\$1,407.55		
2014	\$202,060	0.00703776	\$1,422.05		
Increase	\$2,060	0.00	\$14.50		

Note: This is for municipal portion only, exclusive of area ratings, School Boards and County levies



# **Questions?**

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