

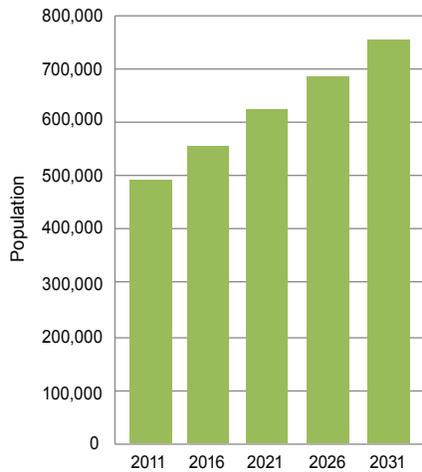
Advocating for a Strong Halton

Why is Halton Advocating?

Halton Region is a desirable place to live, work, raise a family and retire. With four distinct communities, the Niagara Escarpment, Lake Ontario and quality of life second to none, residents and employers recognize Halton as a community of choice in which to live and do business. Regional Council wants to ensure that Halton's future remains strong and stable.

The Provincial *Places to Grow Act* has mandated Halton Region to grow to 780,000 people by 2031. In order to meet this target while maintaining the high quality of life, building the necessary infrastructure and ensuring the financial integrity of the Region,

Predicted Growth in Halton Region 2011-2031



significant investments must be made. We cannot do this alone.

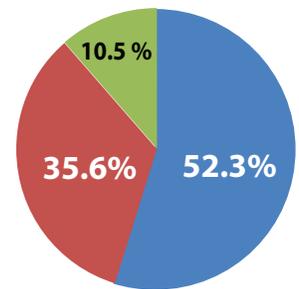
All levels of government must come together to deliver these essential services for Halton's taxpayers.

What does Halton Region want from the Provincial and Federal Governments?

Municipalities only receive 10.5 per cent of every tax dollar paid. With this small amount, we provide cost effective and high quality programs and services that touch our residents each and every day.

From the water residents drink to the roads they drive on, Halton Region is delivering these services and contributing to the high quality of life.

Average Family Tax Bill Breakdown



- Federal Government
- Provincial Government
- Municipal Government

Source: The Fraser Institute's Canadian Tax Simulator, 2012



To meet the needs of our growing community Halton Region needs:

- Funding sources, including changes to the *Development Charges Act*, that support the recovery and collection of growth related costs to ensure that Halton's taxpayers do not bear the financial impacts of growth.
- Assurance that municipalities are not burdened with the costs of conforming to provincial policies and legislation.
- Delivery on committed projects through The Metrolinx Plan, *The Big Move*, to keep Halton Region moving and to meet the transportation needs of our growing community.
- The Province to introduce legislation to amend the current *Waste Diversion Act* with a system based on Full Producer Responsibility.
- Provincial funding for courthouse infrastructure.
- A commitment from the Provincial Government to deliver long-term, sustainable funding at the expected levels of cost sharing for Public Health Programs.
- Immediate action to address ambulance offloading delays, Paramedic Services funding shortfalls and enhancing the Central Ambulance Communications Centre (CACC), to ensure that Halton residents receive the level of paramedic services required to meet their needs.
- Long-term, predictable, sustainable funding for affordable and assisted housing from other levels of government to meet the housing needs of the residents of Halton.
- Long-term, predictable funding to adapt municipal infrastructure and programs to climate change.
- A commitment from the Provincial Government to deliver long-term, sustainable funding at the expected levels of cost sharing for Conservation Authorities.
- The Province to amend the *Aggregate Resources Act* to require extraction proponents to demonstrate the need for the resource.

Halton's Message:

Halton Region is advocating for support from all levels of government to ensure that Halton's taxpayers are not burdened with the cost of growth and that the services they need are in place.

Without the necessary tools, funding and legislative commitments, we cannot accommodate the growth mandated by the Provincial Government.

Halton's taxpayers are accustomed to a high quality of life. Regional Council is committed to ensuring they continue to receive it.

2015 Tax and Rate Gross Operating Revenues

