

# Federal Gas Tax Fund

## In Nova Scotia

### 2019 - 2020: A Year in Review

A new agreement for the federal Gas Tax Fund (GTF) between Canada and Nova Scotia became effective April 1, 2014. This agreement represents a 10-year investment of an estimated \$580 million in predictable and stable funding for local municipalities. The GTF helps build and revitalize public infrastructure in Nova Scotia, while supporting the national objectives of cleaner environment, stronger cities & communities, and productivity & economic growth.

#### Nova Scotia receives

**\$55,047,487**

for its 2019–20 total GTF allocation.

#### Total Municipal Funding from 2014 to 2020:

**\$441 million**

#### Cumulative Municipal Funding (est.)

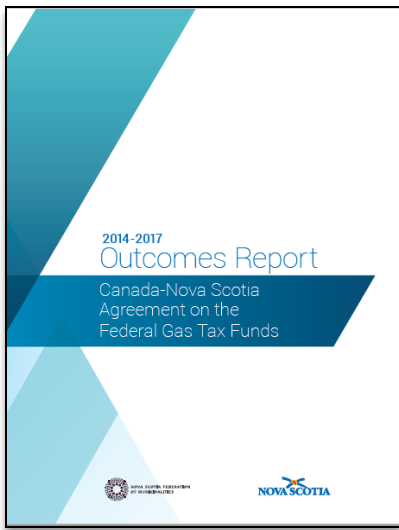
**\$992 million**

From 2005 to 2025 (19 years)



**Since 2015**, NSFM has been collaborating with the Province of Nova Scotia to support the administration of the GTF. NSFM focuses its efforts on helping municipalities meet the requirements for communications, signage and asset management.

#### Outcomes Report Completed



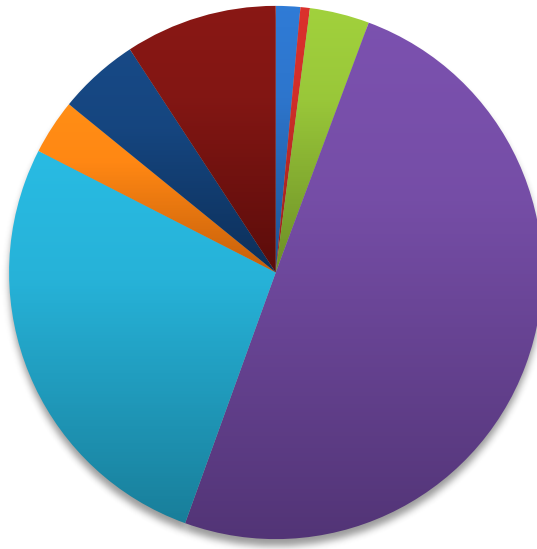
#### One-Time Doubling of the GTF Transfer

Nova Scotia receives **\$57.7 million**

to support local infrastructure priorities.

## Percentage of GTF Spent

for 2019 – 20\*



#### The highest project category investments:

Local Roads & Bridges	49%
Public Transit	27%

- Capacity Building
- Drinking Water
- Public Transit
- Solid Waste
- Comm Energy Systems
- Local Roads and Bridges
- Recreation
- Wastewater

\*Please Note: Less than 1% of the total GTF was spent in the following categories: broadband, disaster mitigation, highways, sport and tourism.

## Snapshots of GTF Projects

From investments in water treatment facilities to solar projects and trail enhancements, municipalities across Nova Scotia are putting the GTF to good use!



*CBRM continues to grow its transit fleet with support from the GTF.*

*The District of Chester expands its active transportation network by adding paved shoulders along a busy roadway.*

*District of Lunenburg celebrates the opening of the first phase of the River Ridge Common, a beautiful 115-acre multi-use park.*



*Barrington invests in the North East Point Boardwalk, reinforcing its waterfront as a central gathering spot and protecting fragile coastal ecosystems.*



## Highlights of the NS Asset Management Program

**Phase 2** of a pilot project with the Town of Antigonish and the County of Antigonish was completed to test and further refine the provincial data collection tools and resources for linear assets.



**IRMA:** The first phase of the *Infrastructure Registry for Municipal Assets* was developed and municipally-tested. IRMA is a *one-stop shop* system to house, maintain and map asset information, and provide state of infrastructure analytics.

**A Re-Fresh Survey** was developed and disseminated to identify future training and engagement opportunities, and program improvements. A summary of the survey feedback will be shared with municipalities.

For more information, visit: [beta.novascotia.ca/federal-gas-tax-fund-municipalities](http://beta.novascotia.ca/federal-gas-tax-fund-municipalities) or [www.nsfm.ca](http://www.nsfm.ca)

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