






ADDRESSING BUDGET SURVEY OUTCOMES



Using an external survey company, Parkland County conducted the 2022 Budget Engagement Survey and gave residents and businesses the opportunity to have their say on how funds are prioritized within the County. The results were shared with Council to inform future budgets and decision making. Nearly 1,500 people participated in the survey with over 2,000 comments received.

What We Heard	Budget Action
 Increase service level for High-speed Internet Access	\$8 million allocated to Phase 1 of the County's broadband initiative in the 2023 Budget. This will provide fibre optic internet to the northeastern portion of the County.
 Increase service level for Road Maintenance	\$12 million in the 2023 capital budget is dedicated to the road reconstruction program.
 Focus on Core Municipal Services	70% of the 2023 Operating program is dedicated to the "Complete Communities" pillar in the County's Strategic Plan focusing on providing infrastructure, social support services, and linking communities.
 Preserve the rural charm of the County	A study is on-going to inform trail development in the County. 2023 Budget has \$400,000 dedicated to trails, and \$1.25 million for the next 4 years.
 Prioritize existing programs or infrastructure over new initiatives/projects	The County prioritizes preservation over new projects. 60% of capital spending is allocated to renewal and preservation of assets. Only 2% of the operating budget is dedicated to new operating initiatives.

Thank you to all those who took the Budget Engagement Survey. Parkland County will continue to engage residents and businesses to incorporate feedback in future budget planning. For more engagement opportunities in Parkland County, visit www.ParklandCounty.com/HaveYourSay.