

December 20, 2024

SENT ELECTRONICALLY

Mr. Jason Trottier
Chief Administrative Officer/Treasurer
Municipality of East Ferris
25 Taillefer Road
Corbeil, ON P0H 1K0

Dear Mr. Trottier,

Re: 2025 Municipal Levy

Your **2025 Municipal Levy Information Package** is attached. At its budget meeting on December 4, 2024, the Board of Health approved the 2025 budget. It has a 1% increase (already confirmed) in provincial mandatory program funding and a 3% increase in Municipal share (billed at 5% increase - 2% paid from the Reserve in 2024 and 3% for 2025).

For 2025, with the previous mitigation funding rolled into provincial base funding, the sharing split is 77.8% provincial and 22.2% municipal.

There are two years left in the Strengthening Public Health Initiative. A 1% increase to Health Units has been communicated for 2025 and a 1% increase in Public Health funding provincially for 2026. The Ontario Public Health Standards, which set the minimum requirements for public health programming, are still in the review process and should be in effect for 2026. The new funding arrangement for Public Health should be communicated in 2025, effective in 2026.

As instructed by the province our health unit investigated merging with our neighbouring health units earlier in 2024, but no talks were successful. How this will affect our funding under the new funding arrangement is not known at this time.

COVID-19 specific funding has been promised for 2024 but has not yet been received. 2025 COVID-19 funding arrangements are unknown at this time.

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In accordance with the Board of Health By-Laws, the Municipal Reserve status will be updated to you with the 2024 audited financial statements. For your information the Municipal Reserve balance at October 31, 2024 was \$2,174,943.

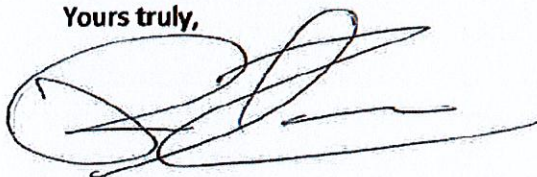
To learn more about your health unit programs, activities and reports, refer to the North Bay Parry Sound District Health Unit website at www.myhealthunit.ca. The website is completely searchable and contains information on a wide range of health topics.

The following information is attached:

- Appendix A – 2025 Levy Payment Schedule
- Appendix B – 2025 Board of Health Approved Budget Summary Sheet

Please do not hesitate to contact Isabel Churcher, Executive Director, Finance at (705) 499-6016, if you have any questions.

Yours truly,



Rick Champagne
Chairperson, Board of Health

Enclosures (2)

Copy to: Isabel Churcher, Executive Director, Finance
Dr. Carol Zimbalatti, Medical Officer of Health/Executive Officer
Board of Health

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2025 LEVY
PAYMENT SCHEDULE

2025 Annual Levy**\$169,914**

Monthly Payment Schedule effective January 1, 2025	Amount
January 1	14,159.50
February 1	14,159.50
March 1	14,159.50
April 1	14,159.50
May 1	14,159.50
June 1	14,159.50
July 1	14,159.50
August 1	14,159.50
September 1	14,159.50
October 1	14,159.50
November 1	14,159.50
December 1	14,159.50
Total	\$169,914

Levy based on population of: 4,511

Per Capita Rate: \$37.67

Due Date: The first day of every month

Interest is charged at 1.25% per month on outstanding balances.

Please remit to: North Bay Parry Sound District Health Unit

Attention: Finance Department

345 Oak St W

North Bay, ON P1B 2T2

Or Direct Deposit to: Account # 03442 003 1287499

2025 Board of Health Public Health Budget - Budget Summary Sheet

Budget Summary	Budget 2024	Forecast 2024	Budget 2025	Cost Sharing Percentage for 2025	Notes
Total Expenses	22,826,086	22,713,127	22,786,421		1
Less Program Revenues	485,840	635,695	481,041		2
Net Expenses	22,340,246	22,077,432	22,305,380		
Less: 100% Funding and One-Time Funding and Grants	4,979,566	5,099,701	4,695,094		3
Total Shareable Base	17,360,680	16,977,731	17,610,286		
Ministry of Health Share	13,565,310	13,259,608	13,701,054	77.80%	4
Municipal Share	3,795,370	3,718,123	3,909,232	22.20%	
Plus: 100% Municipal - Adult Dental	95,414	95,414	98,277		
Gross Municipal Levy	3,890,784	3,813,537	4,007,509		5
Contribution from Municipal Reserve	-74,108	0	0		
Net Municipal Levy	3,816,676	3,813,537	4,007,509		
Per Capita Municipal Population	106,394	106,394	106,394		
Per Capita Rate	36.57	35.84	37.67		6

Notes for Budget Summary

1	Total expenses include the cost of all Health Unit programs and services except for Infection Prevention and Control Hub funding.
2	Program revenues are generated through payments from the public or the government on a fee-for-service basis.
3	The forecast for 2024 includes all usual 100% funded programs from multiple sources and one-time funding for COVID-19 Vaccination, Respiratory Syncytial Virus (RSV) Vaccine, Strengthening Public Health (Merger) etc. Not all funds are officially confirmed.
4	The Ministry of Health's funding will increase by 1% over last year. Funding increases of 1% per year have been confirmed for 2024, 2025, and 2026. The new total of \$13,701,054 is 77.8% of the shareable base.
5	The municipal share is calculated using the 2024 levy plus 3% which amounts to a 5% increase to the municipalities' payments for 2025 since 2% of last year's levy increase was taken from the municipal reserve. The municipal share for 2025 is 22.2%.
6	As per the Health Protection and Promotion Act, R.S.O. 1990, c. H.7, O. Reg. 489-97 Allocation of Board of Health Expenses, populations used for calculations are current (2022) Municipal Property Assessment Corporation (MPAC) enumeration data. As per regulations from MPAC, their total population data may not be shared publicly.