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Budget 2024 delivers on your new government's commitments to rebuild health care and lower costs for families.

It reflects the values and priorities of everyday families across the province.

#### **Budget 2024 is focused on:**

- Rebuilding health care
- Lowering costs for families
- Healthier families and safer communities
- Growing our economy
- A government that works for you

### Rebuilding health care

Our government knows that you can't solve the problems in health care by simply spending more money – you also need a smarter approach. That is why Budget 2024 makes smart, targeted investments while increasing oversight of regional health authority and Shared Health spending.

- Hiring one thousand new health care workers: 100 doctors, 210 nurses, 90 paramedics and 600 health care aids
- \$309.5 million to recruit, retain and train more health care workers, including: \$66.7 million to increase bed capacity and reduce ER wait times, \$25.2 million to permanently increase critical care capacity (ICUs) and \$47.28 million to connect more Manitobans with a Family Doctor
- \$635 million in 2024 for health capital investments, including starting work to design and build a new Victoria Hospital Emergency Room
- \$17.6 million to open two new Minor Injury and Illness Clinics and to establish the first of five primary care clinics
- \$6.9 million in operating for better cancer care, including: access to cancer drugs, companion testing to better match cancer drugs with specific oncology patients and \$112,000 for pre-design work for a new CancerCare Headquarters
- \$22.3 million to provide better care for seniors including: providing more direct hours of care for seniors in Personal Care Homes, implementing the new Safe and Healthy at Home program to support aging in place and funding for the office of legislated, independent Seniors' Advocate



## A package of affordability measures to lower costs for families who need the most help.

- Extending the gas tax cut
- New \$1,500 Homeowners Affordability Tax Credit and an increased \$575 Renters Tax Credit and up to \$328 seniors top-up
- Doubling the maximum Fertility Treatment Tax Credit
- Free prescription birth control for all Manitobans
- \$10/day childcare all year round
- Five per cent lower auto insurance rates
- \$300 security system rebate for families and small businesses
- Broad middle-class tax cut and bigger paycheques that increases the personal income tax bracket thresholds
- \$4,000 rebate for new electric vehicles (EVs) and plug-in hybrids and \$2,500 rebate for used EVs and plug-in hybrids
- Increased financial support for low-income renters
- Increasing EIA supports for low-income families
- Increased financial aid for post-secondary students



Budget 2024 invests in children and new mothers, recreation and cultural programs, public safety measures and supports for the most vulnerable Manitobans.

- \$104.2 million in education funding to help every child reach their full potential, including \$30 million for a universal school nutrition program
- \$160 million in capital investments for construction, expansion, and improvements in school properties, including two new schools in Winnipeg
- **\$116 million** in funding to build and maintain social and affordable housing
- Doubling the pre-natal benefit to \$162.82, making it the highest in Canada
- Increase of nearly \$20 million for Community Living disABILITY services/ Children's disABILITY services
- \$58.9 million increase to lift the freeze on municipalities including an increase of \$51.6 million to the operating grants,
  \$7.3 million to capital grants
- \$3.9 million to establish a supervised consumption site, addiction treatment beds, and support harm reduction services



Our government is committed to growing our economy by building on Manitoba's advantage as a low-carbon leader with a motivated, highly skilled workforce. Budget 2024 invests in employment and skills training, fostering economic reconciliation, and creating good Manitoba jobs for Manitobans.

- \$540 million capital investments in highways and other transportation and water-related infrastructure
- \$146.9 million total in Business Risk Management programs, including for AgriInsurance, Wildlife Damage Compensation, AgriStability and AgriInvest
- **\$32.9 million** increase for the Federal/Provincial Investing in Canada Infrastructure Program to support continuing infrastructure projects
- \$10 million investments in New Flyer Inc.'s
   All Canadian Build facility to build more electric buses
   in Manitoba and create a centre of excellence
- \$20.9 million to support new child-care spaces and increase wages for childcare workers
- **\$43 million** to support post-secondary students training for their careers
- **\$1.5 million** to increase the number of apprenticeship training seats to help grow our skilled labour force
- \$135,000 for implementation of a Veterinary Strategy to help address a shortage of veterinary professionals in Manitoba
- \$200,000 to reopen two Manitoba Agricultural Services Corporation service centres



Manitobans work hard to provide for their families and give back to their communities. Manitobans deserve a government that works just as hard to deliver the programming and services that we all rely on.

- Eliminating the backlog at Vital Statistics for birth, marriage and other vital forms of identification
- Hiring more staff to process Manitoba Provincial Nominee Program applications
- Launching an inquiry into the Police Headquarters
- Getting the finances back on track with a responsible path to balance in four years
- Respecting the public service

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