

**Report to
Rapport au:**

**Ottawa Board of Health
Conseil de santé d'Ottawa
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SUBJECT: 2025 Operating and Capital Budget Q2– Board of Health for the City of
Ottawa Health Unit Status Report

OBJET: Rapport d'étape sur le budget de fonctionnement et d'immobilisations
2025 du t2 du Conseil de santé pour la circonscription sanitaire de la ville
d'Ottawa

REPORT RECOMMENDATION

**That the Board of Health for the City of Ottawa Health Unit receive the 2025 Q2
operating and capital budget status report for information.**

RECOMMANDATION DU RAPPORT

**Que le Conseil de santé de la circonscription sanitaire de la Ville d'Ottawa prenne
connaissance du rapport d'étape sur le budget de fonctionnement et**

d'immobilisations du T2 2025.**BACKGROUND**

The purpose of this report is to present to the Ottawa Board of Health the second quarter operating and capital budget results for Public Health Programs. Ottawa Public Health (OPH) management actively reviews quarterly results to ensure that their respective spending and revenue are on-track as planned, and not indicative of any underlying issues needing to be highlighted or addressed.

The 2025 operating budget second quarter results present actual year-to-date revenues and expenditures against the amounts budgeted for the corresponding period. The capital report provides a listing of the capital projects, the authorized expenditure budgets, along with the actual expenditures and commitments incurred to-date.

DISCUSSION**Q2 2025 Operating Results**

Document 1 outlines the adjusted operating results summary of OPH budget as of June 30, 2025. The year-to-date budget figures are prepared on a calendarized basis. Service Areas have allocated their 2025 budgets on a monthly and quarterly basis, established primarily according to historical trends.

The year-to-date (YTD) spending is 1% above the YTD budget due to seasonal trends, and it is anticipated these will level-out over the second half of the year. Spending under the Ontario Senior Dental Program is lower than anticipated due to clinic closures for renovation work. The COVID-19 program has no separate budget as it is fully integrated within the base-funded cost-shared program; however, spending is being tracked separately and reported in Q2. Similarly, the RSV program has no budget allocation, as it is funded through an in-year provincial allocation based on actual expenditures.

2025 Q2 Compensation Results

Document 2 outlines the operating status of OPH compensation expenditures as of June 30, 2025. The financial data shows that OPH has spent 52% of its annual budget for compensation and benefits and 40% of its overtime budget during the first two quarters of 2025, which is similar to previous years. The increased spending is primarily

due to annual month to month variation of compensation spending. OPH expects lower spending in Q3 to help offset the higher expenditures in Q1 and Q2.

2025 Q2 Budget Adjustments and Transfers

No budget adjustments were processed in the second quarter of 2025 through delegated authority given to the Medical Officer of Health (MOH).

2025 Q2 Capital Projects

Document 4 provides a list of provincially funded capital projects, detailing the total approved budget authority, expenditures up to June 30, 2025, and contractual obligations as of the same date. The total value of ongoing capital projects is \$5.77 million. The status of three projects supported by capital funding is:

- The renovation of the 40 Cobourg St. clinic, located in Downtown Ottawa, is now complete and the clinic reopened in April. Although the total project is showing as \$160,000 overspent based on the original approved budget, OPH has requested approval to carry-over of \$336,000 of the original funding from the Ministry of Health to the 2024-25 fiscal year. OPH is in conversation with the Ministry of Health about the funding of the cost overruns that occurred as a result of delays due to the COVID-19 pandemic and rising inflation.
- The construction of the new east-end dental clinic on Centrum Blvd. is now complete and the clinic opened in August. The total project was overspent by \$159,000 on June 30, 2025, based on the original approved budget. OPH has requested a carry-over of \$283,000 from the Ministry for costs incurred in 2024-25. OPH will request the amount from the Ministry as part of Q3 reporting.
- Renovation of 1580 Merivale Dental Clinic is complete, and the clinic has reopened. Due to the timing of funding approvals, the project is \$68,000 under budget overall based on the original approved project budget.

2025 Q2 Year-end Financial Outlook

When planning for 2025, OPH anticipated some budget pressures throughout the year so have implemented strategies such as gapping in Q1 and Q2 to keep compensation spending within reasonable limits and reallocating resources within non-compensation cost elements through monthly monitoring of spending. However, budgetary pressures are continuing through 2025 as OPH strives to meet the rising demand for public health services amidst rising service delivery costs. OPH is in discussions with the Ministry of Health as OPH is projecting overspending of \$687,000 in cost-shared mandatory programs for Case Management and Outbreak Management due to a significant and sustained increase in workload for surveillance, data entry, reporting and quality assurance as a result of the fall respiratory season.

RURAL IMPLICATIONS

There are no rural implications associated with this report.

CONSULTATION

The purpose of this report is administrative in nature and therefore no public consultation is required.

LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

There are no legal impediments to receiving the information in this report.

RISK MANAGEMENT IMPLICATIONS

There are no risk management implications associated with this information report.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Financial implications are as outlined in the report.

ACCESSIBILITY IMPACTS

There are no accessibility implications associated with this report.

SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION

Document 1: Ottawa Public Health 2025 2nd Quarter Adjusted Operating Results Summary June 30, 2025 (in thousands of dollars)

Document 2: Ottawa Public Health 2025 2nd Quarter Compensation Status Report

Document 3: Ottawa Public Health 2025 2nd Quarter Budget Adjustments & Transfers

Document 4: Ottawa Public Health 2025 2nd Quarter Capital Status Report

DISPOSITION

This report is provided for information.