# Social Services Department Budget 2016

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# **Consolidated Municipal Service Manager**

- The City of Stratford is one of the 47 Consolidated Municipal Service Managers in the Province of Ontario.
- The City Social Services Department manages and delivers the Ontario Works Programs, Public & Social Housing Services, Homelessness Prevention Programs, Child Care and Early Learning Services on behalf of the Province of Ontario to the residents of the County of Perth, the Town of St Marys and the City of Stratford.
- Operate a licensed day care for the City of Stratford
- Participate in community Emergency Services planning and service delivery

# Accountability

The Programs and Services fall under the Provincial legislation, regulations and jurisdictions of:

#### **ONTARIO WORKS PROGRAMS**

■ Ministry of Community & Social Services
Ontario Works Act, 1997

## PUBLIC AND SOCIAL HOUSING SERVICES

■ Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing

Housing Services Act, 2011

Residential Tenancies Act, 2006

## **CHID CARE & EARLY LEARNING SERVICES**

■ Ministry of Education

Child Care and Early Years Act, 2014

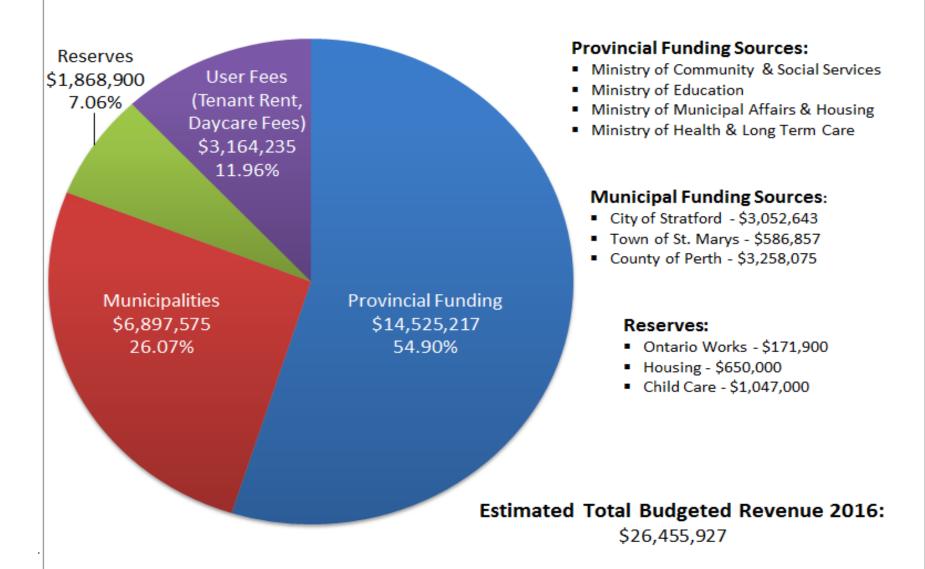
## ANNE HATHAWAY DAY CARE

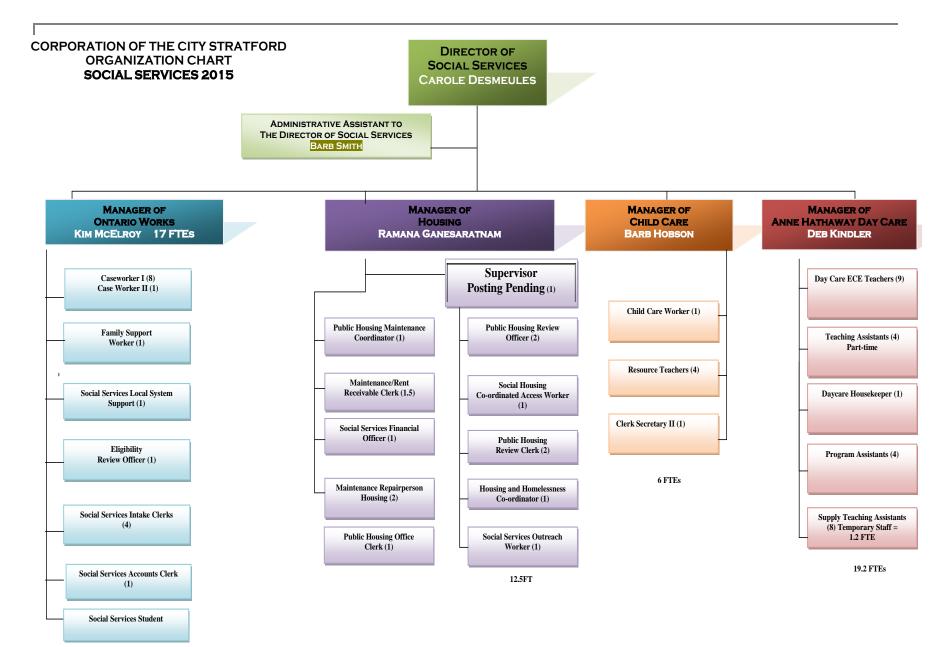
Ministry of Education

Child Care and Early Years Act, 2014

- Program administration agreements with Ontario Government
- Municipal Act
- By-Laws and Policies set by Council

## Social Services Budgeted Revenue 2016





# **Ontario Works Division**

#### **MANAGER OF**

**ONTARIO WORKS** 

KIM MCELROY

17 FTES

## ESTIMATES TOTAL BUDGET 2016 \$9,240,490

## **Funding Sources:**

- 80% Province or \$7,401,164
- 20% Municipal or \$1,839,326

10% County of Perth

9% City of Stratford

1% Town of St. Marys

Of the \$1,839,326 estimated municipal contributions, the cost-share portion for the City of Stratford estimated to be \$832,317, or 9% of the Municipal contribution.

A decrease of 7.15%, or \$64,084 over the 2015 City of Stratford Municipal contributions

# **Increases over 2015**

- 3.8% Salaries and Benefits
- 2% Computer Leasing costs & City administration charges
- 64% Increase in Training Costs, (from \$11,000 in 2015 to \$18,000)
- 25% Increase in Legal Costs (from \$12,000 in 2015 to \$15,000)
- Caseload has remained above historical highs, current average is 693-700
- Projecting an increase 8% of the caseload over 2015
- In November 2015, 1% increase of annual benefits

# **Public & Social Housing Division**

**MANAGER OF** 

Housing

RAMANA GANESARATNAM 13.5 FTES ESTIMATES TOTAL BUDGET 2016 \$9,575,644

## **Funding Sources:**

- 25.4% Federal & Province or \$2,437,200
- 25.5% User Fees or \$2,341,350
- 43% Municipal or \$4,147,114
   County of Perth 20.4%
   City of Stratford 18.7 %
   Town of St. Marys 4.2%
- 6.8% Capital Housing Reserves or \$650,000

Of the \$4.147,114 estimated municipal contributions, the cost-share portion for the City of Stratford estimated to be \$1,789,236 or 18.7% of the Municipal contribution.

An increase of 6.91 %, or \$115,685 over the 2015 City of Stratford Municipal contributions

# **Increases over 2015**

## **Operating Budget**

- 3.7% or \$72,500 for housing providers subsidy payments
- 2.9% or \$28,038 for Salary & Benefits
- 8.7% or \$176,000 overall increase for utilities (2.8%); tenants moving out (\$70,000 over 2015 budget); Landscape Removal Emerald Ash Borer trees; 3 to 4% Contractors costs; Pets control Bedbug.

## **Capital Budget**

Increase of \$ 363,500 from \$621,500 to \$985,000 (which, \$400,000 will come from housing capital reserve)

# Reductions

Office expenses and administrative expenditures total \$14,050

# **Child Care Division**

MANAGER OF
CHILD CARE
BARB HOBSON
6 FTES

# **ESTIMATES TOTAL BUDGET 2016** \$6,287,191

## **Funding Sources:**

- 86% Province or \$5,457,068
- 14% Municipal or \$830,123

6 % County of Perth

6 % City of Stratford

2% Town of St. Marys

Of the \$830,123 estimated municipal contributions, the cost-share portion for the City of Stratford estimated to be \$350,072 or 6% of the Municipal contribution.

An increase of \$19,234, or 5.8 % over the 2015 City of Stratford Municipal contributions.

## **Increases over 2015**

- Salary & Benefits as per the collective agreement
- All other administrative costs were maintained to the 2015 level

#### **Transfer from Reserve for Best Start**

\$1,047,000 previous funding allocation for Best Start projects

# **Anne Hathaway Daycare**

**MANAGER OF** 

ANNE HATHAWAY DAY

CARE

**DEB KINDLER** 

19.2 FTEs

ESTIMATES TOTAL BUDGET 2016 \$1,629,257

**Funding Sources:** 

Municipal 29.5%

Parent Fees 50.5%

Grants Subsidy Ministry of Education 20 %

An increase of \$81,015 or 4.39% over the 2015 City of Stratford Municipal contributions.

#### Increases over 2015

- Salary & Benefits as per the collective agreement
- 25% Increase cost for the manager, reduction of grant for this year
- Building maintenance costs by 1.79% CPI index
- Increase training cost Child Care and Early Year Act for First Aid and Vulnerable Sector Screen requirements

#### **Reductions over 2015**

Reduction of \$17,000 Salary Replacement of ECE – Teaching

#### Increases in revenue

- 0.5% Parent fees revenue of \$1,776
- Increase in grant subsidy by \$187,500 for wage subsidy, health and safety