


# 2024 FEDERAL BUDGET



## at your fingertips

There are proposals in the recent Federal Budget that are important to you, your family and your business. Here's our handy tip sheet to help you manage your finances.

Highlights	Budget Proposal	Implication of Change
 <p><b>Housing</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Secondary suite lending program               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Up to \$40,000 in low interest loans to convert existing space</li> <li>• Up to \$7,500 for new unit secondary suite for senior or adult with disability</li> </ul> </li> <li>• \$600 Million for homebuilding innovation</li> <li>• New \$6 Billion Canada Housing Infrastructure Fund</li> <li>• Canada Builds" \$15-billion top-up to the Apartment Construction Loan Program</li> <li>• Implement changes to mortgage regulations, including mortgage insurance rules plus 30 yr. mortgages for 1st time homebuyers</li> <li>• Launch: <b>Canadian Renters' Bill of Rights</b> and \$15M <b>Tenant Protection Fund</b>; plus \$1 billion in loans and \$477 million in contributions to fund; and \$1.5 billion <b>Canada Rental Protection Fund</b></li> <li>• <b>Home Buyers Plan enhancement</b>: eff. Apr, 16, 2024, can withdraw up to \$60,000 from RRSP towards home purchase</li> <li>• Payback into RRSP now begins 5 yrs. later for withdrawals made between 2022-25</li> </ul>	<p>Allow senior homeowners to age in place, optimize "vacant" space and generate income; offers more housing units.</p> <p>Allow homeowner to refinance insured mortgage to access home equity to convert part of home into rental suite</p> <p>Build 3.9 million homes by 2031</p> <p>Scale-up modular and prefabricated homes; change how we build homes</p> <p>Housing Accelerator Fund top up to \$4.4 Billion to speed up construction of \$12,000 new homes in 3 yrs.</p> <p>Housing infrastructure fund needs provincial buy-in; includes \$1 Billion waste, stormwater and solid waste infrastructure</p> <p>Top up Construction Loan Program</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Provide relief for 1st time homebuyers</li> <li>• Improve renter credit scores for those who pay in full and on time and preserve rent prices</li> </ul>

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 <p><b>Capital gains</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Capital gains inclusion</b> of 2/3 effective June 25, 2024, not prorated, so only on sales after this date <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• For <b>individuals</b> on capital gains &gt;\$250,000</li> <li>• <b>Corporations and trusts</b> subject to 2/3 inclusion rate on all capital gains, up from 1/2</li> </ul> </li> <li>• <b>Lifetime capital gains exemption</b> increasing to \$1.25 Million for qualifying businesses, July 1, 2024, indexing in 2026</li> </ul>	<p>Support massive pre-promised initiatives for housing, health, childcare of which &gt;\$17 billion are loan based</p> <p>Capital gains inclusion rate for individuals stays at 1/2 for sales up to \$250,000; two different rates apply for 2024</p> <p>Need for more individual and corporate tax planning; will impact sales of investment properties, vacation homes, corporately held investments</p>
 <p><b>Alternative Minimum Tax (AMT) amendments</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Revised tax treatment of charitable donations allowing individuals to claim 80% (vs. previous 50% of the Charitable Donation Tax Credit) when calculating AMT</li> <li>• Fully exempt Employee Ownership Trusts from AMT</li> </ul>	<p>Reduce punitive measure affecting charitable sector</p> <p>More amendments to permit more deductions (Guaranteed Income Supplement, social assistance, Workers Comp.); allow more credits eligible for AMT carry-forward</p> <p>AMT exemption for trusts benefiting Indigenous people</p>
 <p><b>Healthcare</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>National Pharmacare Act</b> phase one rollout</li> <li>• \$500 Million for <b>Youth Mental Health fund</b></li> <li>• Canadian Dental Plan information sharing</li> <li>• \$77.1 million over four years in 2025-26, to more effectively integrate internationally educated health care professionals into Canada's health workforce</li> <li>• Consultation launch on development of <b>National Caregiving Strategy</b></li> <li>• <b>Upgrade Health Canada's supply management capacity</b> for drugs and medical supplies</li> </ul>	<p>Universal single payor health coverage for most prescription diabetes meds and contraceptives; enhanced healthcare spending across Canada to cover full costs</p> <p>Help community organizations provide more care</p> <p>Updated process so CRA can share taxpayer information to help administer and enforce Canadian Dental Plan</p>

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 <p><b>National defence and Intelligence</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• \$8.1 billion over next five years; and</li> <li>• \$2.4 billion to build capacity in <b>artificial intelligence</b> (AI), mainly for computing capabilities and technical infrastructure <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Including \$200M to boost adoption of AI in health care, agriculture and clean technology</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<p>Part of long-term defence policy update to increase military spending to 1.76% of GDP by 2030</p> <p>Boost adoption of artificial intelligence in specific sectors to improve effectiveness and efficiency</p>
 <p><b>Childcare Centres</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• \$1 billion in loans and \$60 million in grants to <b>build or renovate childcare centres</b></li> <li>• \$48 million to <b>extend student loan forgiveness for early childhood educators</b></li> </ul>	<p>Improve child care support</p>
 <p><b>Energy transition</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Introduce or expand a variety of measures to help with the Government's energy transition strategies</li> <li>• Provide \$607.9 million over two years, starting in 2024-25, to Transport Canada to top-up the Incentives for Zero Emission Vehicles program</li> </ul>	<p>Encourage more people to buy zero emission vehicles</p>
 <p><b>Employee Ownership Trusts (EOT)</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Temporary tax exemption</b> for qualifying transfers to employee ownership trusts on first \$10 Million of capital gains realized on sale to EOT, subject to certain conditions; plus more details on other exemptions and conditions</li> <li>• Fully exempt Employee Ownership Trusts from AMT</li> </ul>	<p>For three years (2024-26)</p> <p>Provides exit option for business owners and opportunity for employees to maintain business with no upfront funding</p> <p>10 yr. capital gains reserve vs. normal 5 yrs.</p>
 <p><b>Disability Supports</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• New <b>Canada Disability Benefit</b> up to \$200/mo. for those with valid Disability Tax Credit certificate and be exempt as income from provincial/territorial supports</li> <li>• <b>Expanding the Disability Supports Deduction</b></li> </ul>	<p>Income for low income persons with disabilities ages of 18-64</p> <p>Additional expenses eligible for the deduction, subject to certain conditions; including trained service animals, alternative computer input devices, ergonomic work chairs and bed positioning devices</p>

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 <p><b>Cracking down on auto theft</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Amend Criminal Code introducing new offences and aggravating factor if offender involved young person</li> <li>• Regulate the sale, possession, distribution, and import of devices used to steal cars</li> </ul>	<p>Addressing harms to Canadians, rising insurance rates, replacing vehicles and out of pocket costs</p>
 <p><b>Supporting the Trades</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• \$10 million over two years, starting in 2024-25, for the Skilled Trades Awareness and Readiness Program to encourage Canadians to explore and prepare for careers in the skilled trades</li> <li>• \$90 million over two years, starting in 2024-25, for the Apprenticeship Service to help create placements with small and medium-sized enterprises for apprentices</li> </ul>	<p>To encourage more people to pursue a career in the skilled trades</p>

 **Talk to your advisor for more advice and information on managing your finances.**

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