



MUNICIPALITIES NOT IMMUNE TO COVID-19

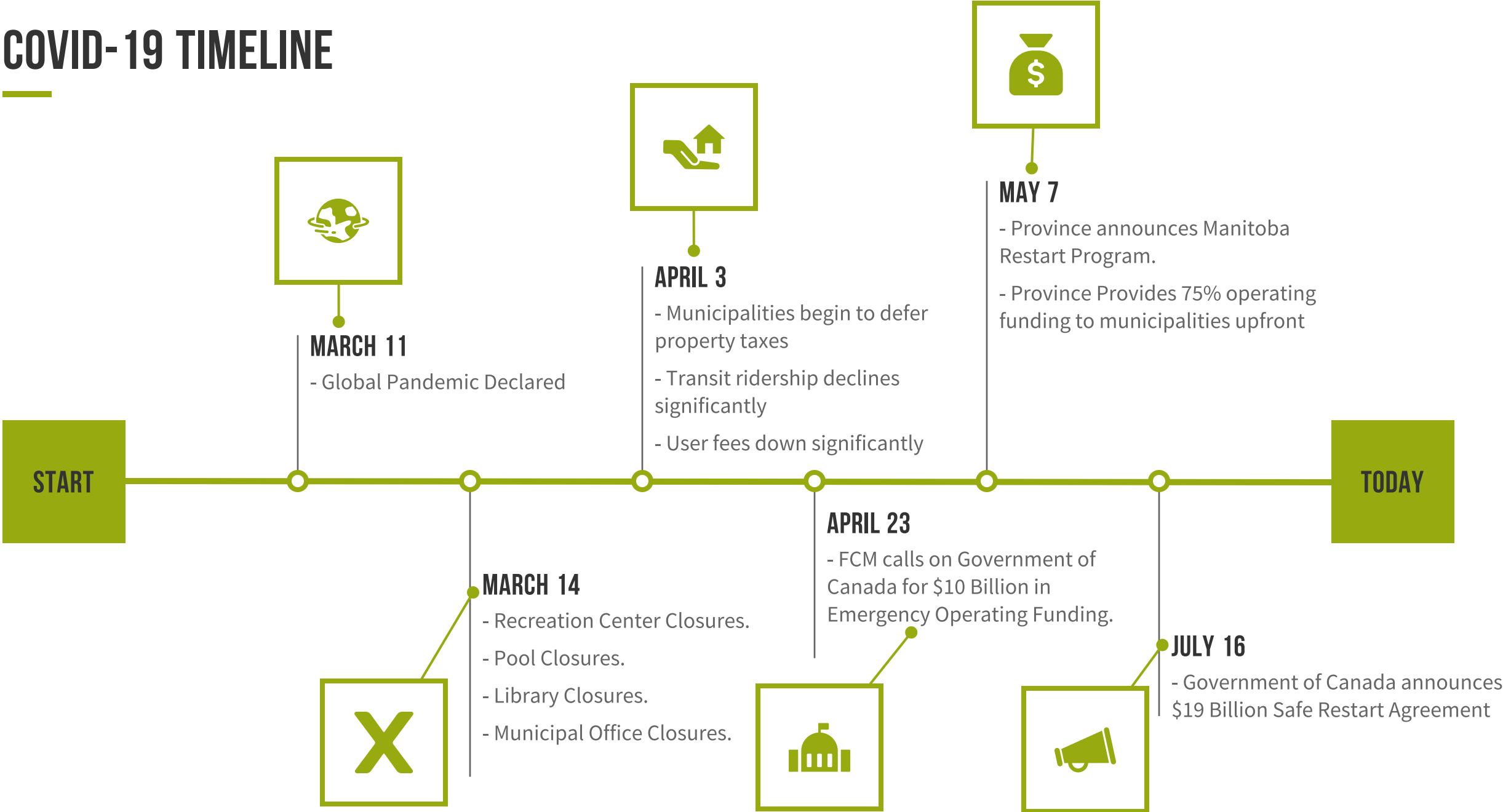

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COVID-19 TIMELINE



HOW HAVE MUNICIPALITIES RESPONDED TO COVID?



- **PROTECTING LOCAL COMMUNITIES**

As municipalities remain on the front lines.

- **DELIVERING ESSENTIAL SERVICES**

Such as fire protection, police services, clean water filtration and waste management.

- **PROACTIVELY REVIEWING BUDGETS**

To find efficiencies and cost savings to help local communities

- **UTILIZING LIMITED RESOURCES**

To mitigate service delivery reductions

- **DEFERRING PROPERTY TAXES, UTILITY & OTHER FEES**

To support struggling residents.

HOW HAVE MUNICIPALITIES RESPONDED TO COVID?



- **REDEPLOYING STAFF**

To avoid staff layoffs/tax increase despite revenue shortfall

- **HOLDING ONLINE COUNCIL & COMMITTEE MEETINGS**

To ensure municipal governance continuity and accountability

- **SUPPORTING LOCAL BUSINESSES & INDUSTRIES**

By working together with local Chambers of Commerce

- **IDENTIFYING & PRIORITIZING**

Shovel-ready infrastructure projects to lead the economic recovery when the pandemic ends.

- **APPEALING TO PROVINCIAL & FEDERAL GOVERNMENTS**

For greater financial and economic assistance.

MUNICIPAL IMPACTS



MUNICIPAL REVENUE

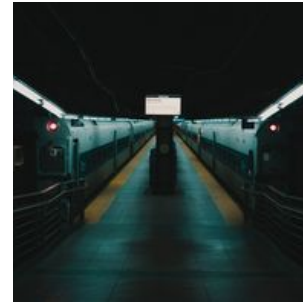
The main source of municipal revenue is through property taxes. With municipalities deferring property taxes and other civic fees to help residents, fiscal pressures arise.



FISCAL PRESSURES

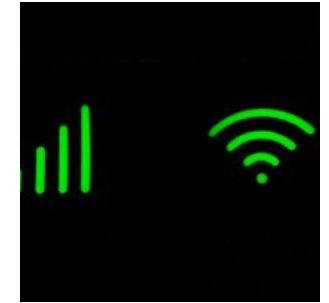
All municipalities must balance their budgets as they are not allowed to run deficits.

Limited financial and economic support from both the provincial and federal governments continues to cause additional pressures.



ECONOMIC SLOWDOWN

Decreased public transit ridership, closure of recreation centers, cleaning supplies and increased need for PPE, additional funding for technological services, decrease in tourism are a few examples of increased financial municipal pressures.



DIGITAL DIVIDE

Greater need for reliable Internet connectivity so that all residents can work from home, access school options or government supports.

Many communities experience poor broadband connectivity.



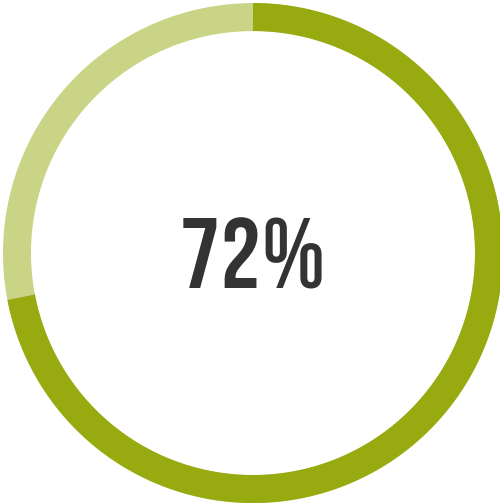
WORLD

**THE WORLD IS
TEMPORARILY CLOSED**

**MUNICIPALITIES
ACROSS CANADA ARE
COLLECTIVELY FACING
AN ESTIMATED \$10-15
BILLION OPERATING
SHORTFALL DUE TO THE
COVID-19 PANDEMIC.**

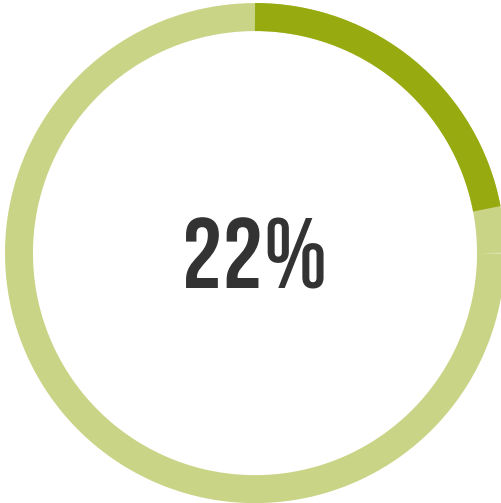
COVID-19 SURVEY RESULTS

● THE AMM DEVELOPED A SURVEY TO HELP WITH ADVOCACY EFFORTS MOVING FORWARD.



OF RESPONDENTS

Estimated \$100 - \$499K in financial losses



OF RESPONDENTS

Estimated \$500 - \$999K in financial losses



OF RESPONDENTS

Estimated some amount of financial losses/costs

KEY SURVEY THEMES



WE ASKED WHAT MUNICIPALITIES CONSIDER THE HIGHEST PRIORITY IN THE COMING WEEKS/MONTHS AS MANITOBA AIMS TO RECOVER?

- **CONTINUATION OF SERVICES**
- **SAFETY OF EMPLOYEES**
- **INCREASED INFORMATION SHARING**
- **CONSISTENT MESSAGING FROM GOVERNMENT**
- **FUNDING TO EASE FINANCIAL PRESSURES**
- **OPERATION OF RECREATION FACILITIES**
- **ENOUGH SUPPLY OF PPE**
- **NO COMPLACENCY**

FINANCIAL RECOVERY

- WE ASKED HOW LONG MUNICIPALITIES EXPECT TO FINANCIALLY RECOVER TO PRE-CRISIS COVID LEVELS?



ONE TO TWO YEARS

24%

ONE TO THREE
YEARS

10%

THREE TO FIVE
YEARS

5%

MANY YEARS

8%

UNSURE

25%

OTHER

29%

WHAT HAS THE AMM DONE TO HELP MUNICIPALITIES DURING THIS CRISIS?

- DEVELOPED A COVID-19 SURVEY TO ASSIST WITH ADVOCACY EFFORTS.
- SENT OUT COVID-19 MEMBER ADVISORIES WEEKLY, TO NOW BI-WEEKLY TO KEEP MEMBERS INFORMED.
- ENCOURAGED CONSTANT COMMUNICATION BETWEEN THE PROVINCE OF MANITOBA AND MUNICIPALITIES.
- THE AMM HAS WRITTEN LETTERS TO VARIOUS PROVINCIAL AND FEDERAL MINISTERS CALLING FOR:
 - THE GOVERNMENT OF CANADA TO EXPEDITE THE GAS TAX FUND TOP-UP
 - CALLED ON THE GOVERNMENT OF CANADA TO ACCELERATE FUNDING AND THE APPLICATION PROCESS UNDER THE UNIVERSAL BROADBAND FUND (UBF)
- CALLED ON THE PROVINCE OF MANITOBA TO IMMEDIATELY DEPOSIT MUNICIPAL BASKET OPERATING FUNDING
- EXPEDITE INVESTING IN CANADA INFRASTRUCTURE PROGRAM (ICIP2)
- EXTEND THE EMERGENCY WAGE SUBSIDY TO MUNICIPAL GOVERNMENTS.
- MANITOBA'S PLANS FOR ITS SHARE OF THE \$19 BILLION FEDERAL-PROVINCIAL SAFE RESTART AGREEMENT.
- SEEK ADDITIONAL CLARITY ON MANITOBA'S PLAN FOR THE NEW COVID-19 COMMUNITY RESILIENCE FUNDING STREAM
- THE INCLUSION OF MUNICIPAL EMPLOYEES IN THE MANITOBA RISK RECOGNITION PROGRAM.



QUESTIONS?