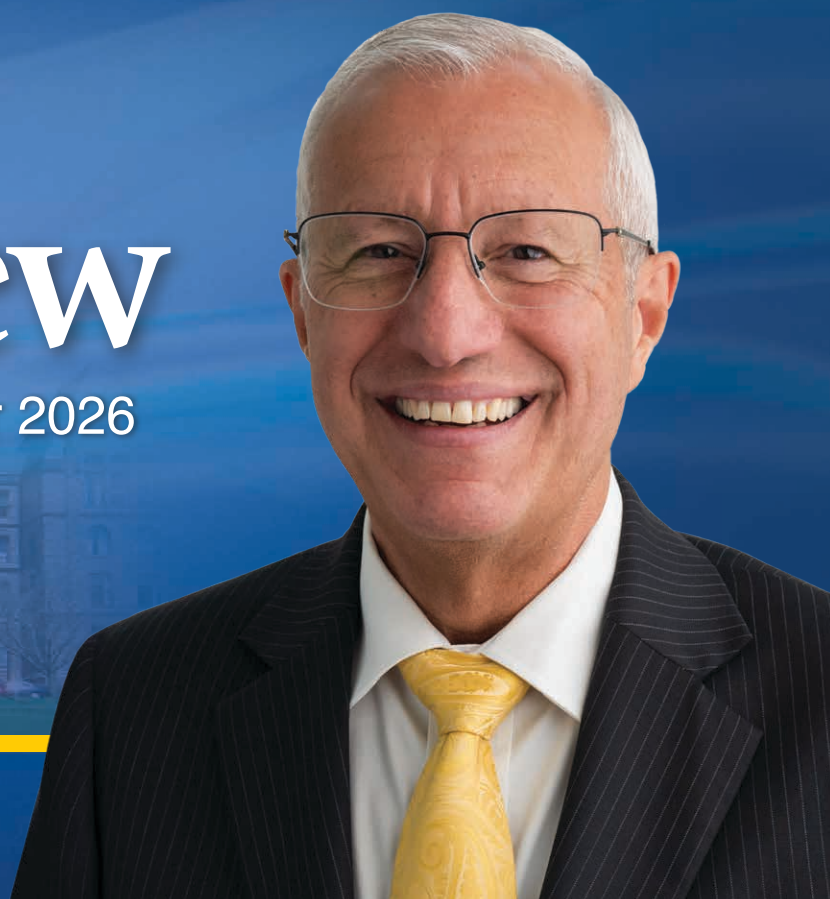


Nipissing Point of View

Winter 2026



Vic Fedeli MPP



2025 IN REVIEW

The year began with the U.S. President's 'Liberation Day' declaration, which put tariffs on countries all around the world. This has caused massive disruptions in global supply chains, resulting in uncertainty in the business community, and causing job losses in certain sectors around the country.

But it has also resulted in a show of Canadian patriotism that has brought the country together, and provided many opportunities for companies to pivot and to re-shore what they were once purchasing from the U.S. The same can be said for families, who continue to look at labels to determine where the products are manufactured, and put them back on the shelves in favour of ones that are Canadian-made.

Here in Nipissing, we've had another banner year with over **\$96 million** in additional investments from the province; another outstanding show of support for our families. These included millions of additional dollars for our non-profits, educational institutions, municipalities, veterans, First Nations, businesses, and so many more groups.

But no investments have been more important than those made to expand our Health Services. The \$35 million that's been announced is all extra funding that has come into Nipissing this past year – in response to the calls and recommendations we hear from you, through our Constituency Office. Yes, there is more that can, and will, be done.



Local non-profit organizations enrich the lives of the people in Nipissing while playing an important role in building a strong and prosperous Ontario economy. Some of the funding includes the following:

- **\$540,000** for Les Compagnons des francs loisirs through the Ontario Trillium Foundation's (OTF) Grow Grant stream to reinforce and enrich the development of French language culture
- **\$370,000** to several Senior Active Living Centres, including: The Village Community Hub in Canadore College, Les Jeunes de Coeur a North Bay avec Les Compagnons, The North Bay Golden Age Club, Club Action 50+ East Ferris, the Mattawa Senior Citizens Club, the Callander Elderly Persons' Centre and the Powassan Seniors in Action Program to help seniors stay fit, active and social
- **\$184,400** for the Nipissing Regional Community Residential Hospice, Municipality of Powassan, and OUTloud, through OTF's Seed Grant
- **\$64,500** to Aanmitaagzi through OTF's Multi and Inter-Arts Organizations: Operating Program for fusing art-creation with education
- **\$48,000** for three Senior organizations: The City of North Bay's Seniors Fitness Program, the Sisters of St. Joseph, and the North Bay Public Library, through the Seniors Community Grants Program, to keep seniors active, engaged, and socially connected
- **\$17,250** to North Bay Symphony Orchestra through OTF's Music Production and Presentation Projects Program for its 2025-26 artistic season
- **\$15,000** for the On the Edge Fringe Festival in North Bay through the Ontario Arts Council

With the Ukulele Club at 250 Clark Community Hub in Powassan



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\$35 Million to Support Health Care Services



The Ontario government will continue to connect Ontario Families to the health care they need, when and where they need it, in their community and closer to home. There have been major additional investments to support our families.

North Bay Regional Health Centre Additional Funding:

- **\$10,202,100** to support bed capacity including \$8 million in base funding (to replace 1-time funding) to support 40 beds at the new Cartier facility, new funding to support 7 Alternate Level of Care (ALC) beds, and base funding (to replace 1-time funding) to support 15 ALC beds
- **\$6,700,000** to support performing human papillomavirus (HPV) laboratory testing
- **\$4,609,000** to support hospital operations, a 1.9% increase, in addition to the previously-announced increased base funding of **\$9.1 million**
- **\$2,021,476** through the Health Infrastructure Renewal Fund and the Community Infrastructure Renewal Fund, to address their urgent infrastructure needs
- **\$235,000** to support the Sexual Assault and Domestic Violence Treatment Centre and one-time funding to support operating hours of the CT department



Additional regional Health Care funding includes:

- **\$7,939,800** for Local Ambulance Services, representing a \$1 million increase over last year, to connect more people to emergency care faster and increase the availability of paramedics and ambulances
- **\$1,200,000** to connect up to 1,950 people to primary care at the North Bay Nurse Practitioner-Led Clinic and the North Bay Indigenous Hub – Giiwedno Mshkikiwgamig
- **\$914,400** to Support Emergency Departments at the NBRHC and Mattawa Hospital through the Emergency Department Pay-for-Results Program
- **\$800,000** through the Ontario Autism Program's workforce capacity fund to two local programs, helping more children and families access clinical services. Recipients include HANDS, The Family Help Network, and One Kids Place
- **\$250,200** to support hospital operations at the Mattawa Hospital
- **\$250,000** for the K'Tigaaning Midwives – Victorian Order of Nurses for Canada, supporting maternal and child health by providing culturally-appropriate care to Indigenous families
- **\$250,000** to Cassellholme, Eastholme, and Algonquin Nursing Home through the Local Priorities Fund. This is designed to connect people with the right care, while reducing emergency department visits and hospital stays
- **\$57,960** to the Mattawa Hospital through the Health Infrastructure Renewal Fund to address their urgent infrastructure needs



\$7 Million in Investments for Local Employees, Employers, and Municipalities

The Ontario government is committed to prioritizing investments through the Northern Ontario Heritage Fund Corporation (NOHFC) that will protect Northern industries and jobs, mitigate the impacts of U.S. tariffs and trade disruptions, and secure new opportunities for the long-term prosperity of Northern Ontario.

The renewed focus is enhancing competitiveness and ensuring the North remains a leader in Ontario's economy. This new direction is in addition to the province's recently announced \$30 million investment over the next three years, bringing the NOHFC's annual budget to \$110 million. Together, these initiatives will benefit communities of all sizes, both rural and urban, including Indigenous communities.

- **\$2,000,000** for the City of North Bay's new Community and Recreation Centre at the Omischl Sports Complex
- **\$2,000,000** to Canadore College to modernize its School of Aviation Technology campus, which is the only facility of its kind in Northern Ontario
- **\$479,300** to the Nosbonsing Curling Club to replace the roof, heating systems, and vapour barrier over the ice pads, increase the lounge and bar areas, and make the area more accessible
- **\$415,800** for the Town of Mattawa to upgrade its Fitness Centre, creating a more efficient space while improving the user experience
- **\$2,100,000** to help 68 job seekers across Nipissing gain valuable work experience that will benefit them in their future careers. This funding is from the NOHFC's Internship program. Here are some examples:
 - **\$70,000** for Fabrene to hire an Industrial Mechanic (millwright) Apprentice and a Construction & Maintenance Electrician Apprentice
 - **\$35,000** for Nipissing First Nations Mnogin Greenhouse to hire a System Operator Intern
 - **\$25,869** for MetricAid to hire a scheduler
 - **\$19,342** for Stroma Automation Solutions to hire an Electrical & Instrumentation Technician at their facility in Callander



\$53 Million to Support Nipissing Communities



The Nipissing district spans a large geographic area, with 11 municipalities and various community-based services that support our safety, infrastructure, education, and recreational needs. In 2025, community investments included:

- An increase of **\$2.5 million** to our 11 municipalities through the Ontario Municipal Partnership Fund so they can deliver critical services
- **\$6,900,000** to the City of North Bay for transit infrastructure projects, including sidewalks, stormwater improvements, and hybrid buses
- **\$6,100,000** to our 11 municipalities to help renew and rehabilitate critical infrastructure
- **\$6,000,000** to Canadore College and Nipissing University to modernize infrastructure, plus **\$2,977,100** for STEM Funding
- **\$5,700,000** to ONTC to complete the Rail Bypass, marking a major milestone in the province's plan to bring back Northlander passenger rail service to Northern Ontario
- **\$4,750,000** to Samuel de Champlain Provincial Park after the extensive damage caused by the severe storm in June, plus **\$405,000** to the Township of Calvin in disaster relief funding
- **\$3,000,000** to the City of North Bay to rehabilitate Trout Lake Road from Highway 11/17 to Kingsway Avenue, plus **\$2,000,000** for the Seymour Street Reconstruction project
- **\$2,874,900** to The Canadian Institute of Forestry to support workers to get the skills they need to land good-paying, in-demand jobs in forestry, logging, and agriculture-related services
- **\$1,675,000** to the City of North Bay, to build their first Cricket Pitch at the Omischl Sports Complex
- **\$1,632,500** to the City of North Bay for critical infrastructure to facilitate the construction of up to 880 new homes in the city
- **\$1,292,000** to the North Bay Police Service Board to upgrade the 9-1-1 system plus **\$843,300** to help protect families and the North Bay community
- **\$785,000** to the City of North Bay through the Gas Tax Program to support transit and expand ridership
- **\$600,000** to Victim Services of Nipissing District to deliver the Child Victim Witness Program to help empower young victims and witnesses, under the age of 18 years

- **\$400,000** to the City of North Bay for achieving at least 80% of their provincially-designated housing targets
- **\$314,000** to the Municipality of East Ferris, to replace the Community Centre elevator, to improve programming and the usability of the space.
- **\$311,300** to ten area fire departments, to support cancer initiatives
- **\$272,400** to PADDLE to support operations
- **\$240,000** to the North Bay OPP to enable police to work with crisis workers to provide specialized supports when interacting with people who are experiencing mental health-related crises, plus **\$120,000** to provide specialized support to people experiencing a mental health crisis
- **\$144,000** to Canadore College to expand nursing enrollment
- **\$115,000** to Community Living Mattawa, Children's Aid Society, and the Mattawa Women's Resource Centre to complete necessary renovations and repairs
- **\$110,000** to Mattawa Voyageur Days and the Carnaval des Compagnons through the Experience Ontario 2025 program
- **\$96,500** to Nipissing First Nation to restore the Beaucage Park dock and boat launch area
- **\$93,000** to the Municipalities of Bonfield and Chisholm to strengthen emergency preparedness
- **\$90,000** to the North Bay Police Service, City of North Bay, and DNSSAB's Emergency Health Services through the Mental Health Supports for Public Safety Personnel program to provide specialized support for staff
- **\$55,000** to Canadore College to help Canadian Armed Forces members turn the skills they developed during their service into post-secondary credits they need to receive in-demand jobs
- **\$32,600** to Eastholme to purchase more diagnostic equipment and staff training
- **\$30,000** to local entrepreneurs: Northern Himalayan Café, Tech Repair North, and Amritsari Bites through the Racialized and Indigenous Supports for Entrepreneurs grant program, to scale up their businesses



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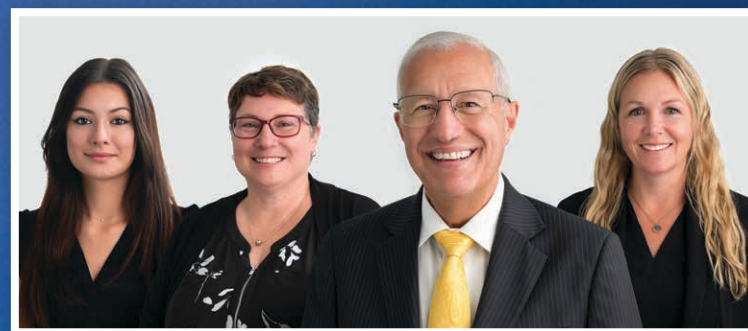
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