

City of Kingston 2021 Interim tax bill



Property tax assistance

Recognizing the financial hardship caused by COVID-19, the City has adopted several measures to provide property owners with some relief.

- Postponing the interim property tax bill from February to March.
- Permitting residents on the monthly preauthorized payment plan to defer two monthly payments, upon request. If you have not already signed up for pre-authorized payments or applied for this deferral, you may do so before March 15 by emailing <u>Tax@CityofKingston.ca</u>
- Reintroducing the COVID-19 Hardship Deferral Program to assist small business property owners, hotels and motels experiencing financial hardship due to the pandemic.

Owners of commercial properties with a total assessed value of \$2 million or less, as well as all hotels and motels, will be eligible to apply. Review the eligibility criteria and apply at CityofKingston.ca/Tax to take advantage of this deferral program.

For additional programs to assist businesses impacted by COVID-19, visit CityofKingston.ca/Tax

Additional property tax assistance programs

The City has the following property tax assistance programs for ratepayers. Please note that ratepayers may need to meet specific criteria.

Tax deferral program (up to \$1,000):

Property owners receiving benefits under the Ontario Disability Support Program or the Ontario Works Act, or senior citizens receiving a Guaranteed Income Supplement, may apply for the 2021 tax year by April 30, 2021.

Seniors property tax grant program (\$100):

This program is for senior citizens receiving the *Guaranteed Income Supplement*.

Tax increase deferral program for assessmentrelated increases:

Senior citizens receiving the *Guaranteed Income* Supplement, or persons receiving assistance under the Ontario Disability Support Program or Ontario Works Act, may apply for the 2021 tax year by April 30, 2021.

Registered charity property tax rebate:

This rebate is for registered charities that pay commercial or industrial property taxes for premises they lease or own. The deadline to apply for the 2020 tax year is March 1, 2021.

How can I apply?

Applications for all tax rebate and tax assistance programs are available at:

CityofKingston.ca/TaxRebates

You can also contact customer service at **613-546-0000** or **Tax@CityofKingston.ca**

How was my 2021 interim tax bill calculated?

Your 2021 interim tax bill is based on 50 per cent of your 2020 final tax levy. If applicable, past due amounts shown on this tax bill include precalculated interest, which is due if your account was not paid in full on or before Feb. 28, 2021. If you made a payment on your account between the billing date and Feb. 28, 2021, please call customer service at **613-546-0000** for an updated balance before paying your 2021 interim tax bill.



Pay from Home:

Consult the back side of your property tax bill for at-home payment options.

You may also join the **Pre-authorized Payment Plan.** This plan is a convenient, worry-free and secure option to pay property taxes over 10 monthly installments.



City Hall, 216 Ontario St.

<u>Tax@CityofKingston.ca</u>

Monday - Friday, 8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

City of Kingston – Taxation PO Box 640, Kingston ON K7L 4X1





Contact Us

Customer Experience agents are here to help you. Submit a service request, ask about hours of operation, and more!

613-546-0000

ContactUs@CityofKingston.ca

Monday - Friday, 8 a.m. - 5 p.m.

City Meetings

Tune into Council and Committee meetings from home by following Kingston City Council on YouTube at YouTube.com/c/KingstonCityCouncil

Learn more about your Council and stay up to date at CityofKingston.ca/Council-Meetings

Get Involved Kingston

Until we can gather in person, engage with us online, by phone or by mail.

To learn more, call **613-546-0000** ext. **1800** and ask about public engagement or visit **GetInvolved.CityofKingston.ca**

Public Health reminder

Stay up-to-date on the latest public health requirements by following KFL&A Public Health online at **KFLAPH.ca/CoronaVirus**

Tips to stay safe during the COVID-19 pandemic, include:

- Maintain a physical distance of at least two metres.
- Wear a face covering in public spaces and when physical distancing is not possible.
- Wash your hands.
- If you are sick, stay home.

Setting collective goals in your City's budgeting process

Did you know the City is committed to an ongoing open budgeting process? Learn more about our plan for achieving this, and how recent public engagements helped shape the 2021 budgets.

Learn more at **GetInvolved.CityofKingston.ca**

A roadmap to carbon neutrality

The City aims to be carbon neutral no later than 2040. In order to achieve this ambitious target, we need a plan and we need your help! Learn more about the work that's underway and how you can get involved. Visit **GetInvolved.CityofKingston.ca**

Never forget waste collection day again!

Sign-up to receive weekly waste and recycling collection reminders at CityofKingston.ca/

Collection You will be reminded if it's:

- a blue or grey box week.
- a two-bag week.
- a holiday week.
- time to put your brush, leaves or batteries out for collection.

What3Words – for help during an emergency

Download what3words, the smartphone application that has assigned a three-word address to every 3 metre x 3 metre square in the world. You will never be lost again and can confidently communicate your whereabouts to family, friends – and all Kingston emergency response services.

app.what3words.com/kingston-ca

Possible Made Here

Explore job postings from Brockville to Napanee using our interactive job map:

PossibleMadeHere.org/Map

Latest City updates

Stay up to date on the latest COVID-19 impacts to City services, facilities, programs, and learn about resources to help support you. Visit CityofKingston.ca/COVID19



If you require accessibility information about a City of Kingston service or facility, or if you require information in an alternative format, contact 613-546-0000, weekdays 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. or email ContactUs@CityofKingston.ca