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City of Mississauga Programs						
Seniors and Disabled Property Tax Rebate Program	The City of Mississauga offers a tax rebate on annual property taxes for low income seniors and low income persons with disabilities who own and occupy their own home. The rebate is applied to your tax account to offset property taxes. This program replaces the previous loan programs offered by the City and the Region of Peel.	<ul> <li>Owned a home in municipality for at least 1 year</li> <li>Living in the residence at time of application</li> <li>Every owner must be an eligible person or spouse of eligible person</li> <li>Must be Residential Class (farm included)</li> <li>1 application per year</li> <li>Application cannot be submitted by an owner for more than one property per year</li> <li>A new application must be completed every year</li> <li>Seniors</li> <li>65 or older</li> <li>Receiving GIS and must be able to provide a copy of their prior year's T4A (OAS) slip issued by Service Canada Low-Income Disabled</li> <li>Owner and/or spouse receiving ODSP</li> </ul>	2018 Rebate is \$411	Applications must be received by December 31 <sup>st</sup> of the current year		

Form Site: https://www7.mississauga.ca/documents/formsonline/2536\_018.pdf



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Stormwater Subsidy Program	Low-income seniors and low-income persons with disabilities may be eligible for a subsidy to offset their stormwater charge. The subsidy is based on the City's Tax Rebate Program and staff will use the existing property tax rebate process and eligibility to automatically identify property owners who will be eligible.	Recipients of the City's Tax Rebate program automatically qualify for the stormwater charge subsidy	100% of the annual stormwater charge	December 31 <sup>st</sup> of the current year (in accordance with the Seniors and Disabled Property Tax Rebate Program)
Website: http://	www.mississauga.ca/portal/stormwate	er/residential-charge		
Outdoor Maintenance Subsidy Program	The City of Mississauga offers financial assistance for outdoor maintenance. Outdoor maintenance means garden work including the care of lawns, plants and trees in the yard of a residence and snow removal. The program is for financial assistance only; the City does not perform any maintenance service for residents.	<ul> <li>Must be 65 years or older, in receipt of the GIS and able to provide a copy of their T4A (OAS) for the claimed subsidy period or;</li> <li>Physically disabled and in receipt of an allowance, benefits or income support under the ODSP and;</li> <li>Reside as an owner, spouse or tenant in a residential property and not live in a high-rise or similar multi-unit building</li> <li>Applicant must not be able-bodied and must not have any able-bodied individuals living at the residence</li> <li>Provide original invoices or receipts for the grass cutting and/or snow clearing services provided.</li> </ul>	Beginning in 2019 the maximum annual subsidy will be \$350, (increased from \$200).  For the 2018 part year subsidy period of April 1 to December 31, 2018, the maximum subsidy is \$260.	March 31 <sup>st</sup> of the year following the subsidy year

Website: <a href="http://www.mississauga.ca/portal/cityhall/outdoor-maintenance-subsidy">http://www.mississauga.ca/portal/cityhall/outdoor-maintenance-subsidy</a>
Form site: <a href="http://www7.mississauga.ca/documents/FormsOnline/2768.pdf">http://www7.mississauga.ca/documents/FormsOnline/2768.pdf</a>



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Active Assist Program	Program Mississauga's fee assistance program gives residents living in	•	<ul> <li>Have a total net individual or combined family income below the Low Income Cut Off amounts (Statistics Canada)</li> </ul>		•	\$275 per qualifying person, per year	Applications are accepted all year
	low-income households the chance to participate in Recreation and Culture activities.	•	Family Size 1 person 2 persons 3 persons 4 persons 5 persons 6 persons 7 or more persons	Max. Qualifying Net   Income   \$ 20,386   \$ 24,811   \$ 30,895   \$ 38,544   \$ 43,890   \$ 48,675   \$ 53,460			

Website: <a href="http://www.mississauga.ca/portal/residents/activeassist">http://www.mississauga.ca/portal/residents/activeassist</a>

Form site: <a href="http://www7.mississauga.ca/Departments/Rec/active-assist/img/ActiveAssit\_Application\_Form.pdf">http://www7.mississauga.ca/Departments/Rec/active-assist/img/ActiveAssit\_Application\_Form.pdf</a>



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Driveway Windrow Snow Clearing Program	Helps residents by clearing space in the snow windrow at the end of their driveway.	<ul> <li>Resident of Mississauga</li> <li>65 years and older in 2017 (i.e. born in 1952 or earlier) or someone who is physically disabled as verified by a regulated health professional</li> <li>No abled-bodied person(s) living at the same residence where driveway windrow snow clearing assistance is required</li> <li>Residents who live on a private road or in a high-rise, multi-unit building, condominium or within a commercial property are not eligible to apply.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Free for individuals who are eligible for financial assistance</li> <li>\$200 for seniors/persons with disabilities who are above the low income cut off</li> </ul>	August 8, 2017 - November 10, 2017

Website: <a href="http://www.mississauga.ca/portal/residents/drivewaywindrowprogram">http://www.mississauga.ca/portal/residents/drivewaywindrowprogram</a>

Form site: <a href="http://www7.mississauga.ca/documents/tw/seasonalservices/windrowfiles/Driveway Windrow Snow Clearing Application Form-2017\_08\_09.pdf">http://www7.mississauga.ca/documents/tw/seasonalservices/windrowfiles/Driveway Windrow Snow Clearing Application Form-2017\_08\_09.pdf</a>

MiWay Affordable	The MiWay Affordable Transit Program provides low-income	Residents that fall within the Low Income Measure (LIM) thresholds	The program subsidizes the cost of adult and
Transit	residents living in Mississauga with	reported by Statistics Canada.	senior monthly passes
Program	access to affordable public transit.		by 50%.
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Website: <a href="http://www.povertyinpeel.ca/task-forces/affordable-accessible/members.htm">http://www.povertyinpeel.ca/task-forces/affordable-accessible/members.htm</a>



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MiWay Senior One Dollar Cash Fare – Off-Peak	MiWay offers a \$1.00 cash fare to seniors during off-peak hours.	Age 65+ (may be required to show valid photo identification or a MiWay issued senior identification card to bus driver)	\$1.00 cash fare valid on Weekdays (from 9:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. and after 7 p.m.) and all day on Saturdays, Sundays and Holidays	Valid all year

Website: <a href="http://www.mississauga.ca/portal/miway/busfares">http://www.mississauga.ca/portal/miway/busfares</a>

# **Region of Peel Programs**

Peel	The Region of Peel offers funding	age 65 or older	funding of up to \$15,000	April 4 - 21, 2017
Peel Renovates Program	The Region of Peel offers funding to eligible homeowners to cover the cost of home repairs, accessibility improvements and creation of second units.	<ul> <li>age 65 or older</li> <li>annual household income of no more than \$60,000</li> <li>Canadian citizen or landed immigrant</li> <li>Own your own home in Peel, with a maximum value of:         <ul> <li>Brampton: \$487,165</li> <li>Caledon: \$685,189</li> </ul> </li> <li>Mississauga: \$546,203</li> </ul>	**First-come, first-served basis. Applications will not be accepted after the funding has run out**	April 4 - 21, 2017
		<ul> <li>Require renovations or repairs in at least one of the following areas: accessibility, safety, structural, electrical, plumbing or heating</li> </ul>		

Website: <a href="https://www.peelregion.ca/housing/peelrenovates/">https://www.peelregion.ca/housing/peelrenovates/</a>

Form site: <a href="http://www7.mississauga.ca/Departments/Rec/older-adult/docs/Peel%20Renovates%20Assistance.pdf">http://www7.mississauga.ca/Departments/Rec/older-adult/docs/Peel%20Renovates%20Assistance.pdf</a>



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Dental lo de temperatura de la decembra de la decem	This program was created to help ow income seniors who have no dental insurance and cannot afford the cost of dental care.  This program does not cover all dental services and it is not an insurance plan.	<ul> <li>To be eligible, seniors must meet all six criteria:</li> <li>65 years or older</li> <li>live in Brampton, Caledon or Mississauga</li> <li>Canadian citizen or permanent resident</li> <li>have no access to any form of dental coverage (including government programs such as Ontario Disability Support Program (ODSP),Ontario Works (OW), and Non-Insured Health Benefits)</li> <li>have no previous dental care that was paid for by the Region of Peel's Seniors' Dental Program</li> <li>have an income of less than \$20,675 for one person household or \$25,163 for a two person household (effective July 1, 2017)</li> </ul>	Free basic dental care including cleanings, fillings, dentures, etc.	Not applicable

Website: https://www.peelregion.ca/health/topics/commdisease/dental/seniors-dental-program.htm

Form site: <a href="https://saapply.mcss.gov.on.ca/CitizenPortal/cw/PlayerPage.do">https://saapply.mcss.gov.on.ca/CitizenPortal/cw/PlayerPage.do</a>



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Provincia	l Programs			
GAINS: Ontario Guaranteed Annual Income System	GAINS ensures a guaranteed minimum income for Ontario seniors by providing monthly payments to qualifying pensioners. GAINS is a top-up for low-income Ontario residents age 65 or older who receive GIS.	<ul> <li>living in Ontario</li> <li>65 years of age or older</li> <li>receiving deferral OAS and federal GIS</li> <li>living in Ontario for past 12 months or for total of 20 years since turning 18</li> <li>have 10 or more years of Canadian Residency</li> <li>total income below level guaranteed by province</li> </ul>	Monthly GAINS payment will range between \$2.50 and \$83.00 and will decline as private income increases.	Every year, you must either file an income tax return or complete a GIS application to receive the maximum benefits available for Ontario seniors.
Website: https:/	//www.fin.gov.on.ca/en/credit/gains/			
Ontario Disability Support Program (ODSP)	Financial assistance to help with essential living expenses; benefits, including prescription drugs and vision care; help finding and keeping a job, and career advancement.	<ul> <li>at least 18 years old</li> <li>Ontario resident</li> <li>be in financial need</li> <li>meet the program's definition of a person with a disability, or be a member of a Prescribed Class</li> </ul>	Financial assistance provided each month to help with the costs of basic needs, such as food, clothing and shelter. Income support also includes benefits, such as drug coverage and vision care, for clients and their eligible family members Employment Support: Services and supports to help clients with disabilities find and keep a job, and advance their careers.	No deadline



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Ontario Drug Benefit (ODB) Reduced Co- Payment for Lower Income Seniors	The Ontario Drug Benefit covers most of the cost of more than 4,300 prescription drugs. Persons 65 years or older qualify for the ODB. Lower income seniors can qualify for a reduced co-payment.	<ul> <li>a single senior with an income of less than or equal to \$19,300</li> <li>a senior couple with a combined income of less than or equal to \$32,300</li> </ul>	no annual deductible and a co-payment of up to \$2 for each prescription.	You can apply any time in the program year and up to 2 months after it ends (September 30 <sup>th</sup> )
		rams/drugs/programs/copayment/copayment. prms/ssbforms.nsf/FormDetail?openform&ENV		
Ontario energy and property tax credit (OEPTC)	The Ontario energy and property tax credit (OEPTC) is designed to help low- to moderate-income Ontario residents with the sales tax on energy and with property taxes.	<ul> <li>rent or property tax for your principal residence in Ontario was paid by or for you for 2016</li> <li>accommodation costs for living in a public or non-profit long-term care home in Ontario were paid by or for you for 2016</li> <li>home energy costs (for example, electricity, heat) for your principal residence on a reserve in Ontario were paid by or for you for 2016</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>up to \$1,023* if you are a non-senior         (\$796* to help with property taxes and \$227* to help with sales tax on energy)</li> <li>up to \$1,165* if you are a senior (\$938* to help with property taxes and \$227* to help with sales tax on energy)</li> <li>up to \$227* if you live on a reserve or in a public long-term care home</li> <li>*These amounts are adjusted for inflation each year.</li> </ul>	April 30 <sup>th</sup> each year in accordance with income tax filing



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			The amount is based on the amount of rent or	
			property tax you paid for your principal residence in Ontario or on the amount	
			of energy costs paid for your principal residence on a reserve in Ontario. The credit will be reduced by	
			two per cent of your adjusted family net income over:	
			<ul> <li>\$22,746 for individuals under the age of 64</li> <li>\$28,433 for single</li> </ul>	
			<ul><li>seniors</li><li>\$28,433 for families, including single parents, and</li></ul>	
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Website: <a href="https://www.fin.gov.on.ca/en/credit/oeptc/">https://www.fin.gov.on.ca/en/credit/oeptc/</a>



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Low-Income Energy Assistance Program (LEAP)	Provides low-income customers up to \$500 in emergency financial assistance to pay their gas or electricity bills	In order to qualify, an applicant must have a family income that falls below a certain limit. The amount of income it takes to qualify as low-income depends on two factors:  • how many people live in the house and • your combined household income	Low-income customers can get <b>up to \$500</b> in emergency assistance for your electricity bills ( <b>\$600</b> if your home is heated electrically) and <b>\$500</b> for gas bills.	Not applicable

Website: https://www.oeb.ca/rates-and-your-bill/help-low-income-consumers/low-income-energy-assistance-program

https://www.oeb.ca/sites/default/files/LEAP\_Utility-Agency\_Partners.pdf

3.33 percent of net income over \$45,000.
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Website: <a href="https://www.fin.gov.on.ca/en/credit/shptg/">https://www.fin.gov.on.ca/en/credit/shptg/</a>

Form site: <a href="https://www.canada.ca/en/revenue-agency/services/forms-publications/tax-packages-years/general-income-tax-benefit-package/ontario/5006-tg.html">https://www.canada.ca/en/revenue-agency/services/forms-publications/tax-packages-years/general-income-tax-benefit-package/ontario/5006-tg.html</a>



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Ontario Seniors' Public Transit Tax Credit	The Ontario Seniors' Public Transit Tax Credit is a refundable tax credit to help seniors with public transit costs.	<ul> <li>65 years old or older at the beginning of the year that you're claiming the credit</li> <li>live in Ontario by the end of that year</li> </ul>	You can claim up to \$3,000 in eligible public transit expenses and receive up to \$450 each year.	April 30 <sup>th</sup> each year in accordance with income tax filing	
Website: https:/	/www.ontario.ca/page/ontario-seniors	-public-transit-tax-credit			
MPAC Senior or Disabled Property Tax Relief	Section 3(1)22 and 3(1)22.1 of the Assessment Act and section 45.2 of Ontario Regulation 282/98 provides a tax exemption for a portion of a residential property where a senior or disabled person is living.	<ul> <li>65 years old or have a disability</li> <li>must live in the home as their personal residence</li> <li>must be in the residential property class and must not have more than three residential units</li> <li>must not be in the business of offering care to senior or disabled persons</li> <li>alterations, improvements or additions were made after May 15, 1984</li> </ul>	Only the assessed value of the alterations, improvements or additions constructed for the purpose of providing housing is exempt from property taxation. This is in place only for as long as the senior or disabled person lives in the home as his/her personal residence.  Property owners who have built a new home to provide a place to live for a senior or a person with a disability can get partial property tax exemption of 10 per cent of the value of their home.	Not applicable  TayReliefInOntario	
Website: <a href="https://www.mpac.ca/PropertyTypes/PropertyAssessmentProcedures/AssessmentProcedureForSeniorOrDisabledPropertyTaxReliefInOntario">https://www.mpac.ca/PropertyTypes/PropertyAssessmentProcedureForSeniorOrDisabledPropertyTaxReliefInOntario</a>					

Information as of October 15, 2017



Program	Description	Eligibility	Support Amount	Deadline
Home and Vehicle Modification Program	Provides home or vehicle modifications to eligible individuals and families to enable persons with disabilities that restrict mobility to continue living safely in their homes.	<ul> <li>permanent Ontario resident</li> <li>person with substantial impairment caused by bodily injury, birth defect or illness that is ongoing/ or recurring and is expected to last one year or more</li> <li>the impairment impedes mobility and affects daily living activities</li> </ul>	Maximum \$15,000 per client for home modifications and/or \$15,000 per client for vehicle modifications.	Not applicable

Website: <a href="http://www.mcss.gov.on.ca/en/mcss/programs/social/hvmp.aspx">http://www.mcss.gov.on.ca/en/mcss/programs/social/hvmp.aspx</a>

http://www.marchofdimes.ca/EN/programs/hvmp/Pages/HowtoApply.aspx

Form site: http://www.marchofdimes.ca/EN/programs/hvmp/Documents/HVMP Applicant Assessment Form Aug2016.pdf

# **Federal Income Programs**

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Guaranteed	The Guaranteed Income	in receipt of an Old Age Security	The amount of the GIS	You only need to
Income (GIS)	Supplement (GIS) provides a	<u>pension</u>	received depends on	apply once for the
Supplement	monthly non-taxable benefit to Old Age Security (OAS) pension recipients who have a low income and are living in Canada.	annual income (or in the case of a couple, combined income) is lower than the maximum annual threshold	marital status and previous year's income (or in the case of a couple, combined income).	benefit and will not need to re-apply, as long as you file an income tax return each year.

Website: https://www.canada.ca/en/services/benefits/publicpensions/cpp/old-age-security/guaranteed-income-supplement.html

Form site: https://catalogue.servicecanada.gc.ca/apps/EForms/pdf/en/ISP-3025A.pdf

Form site: <a href="https://catalogue.servicecanada.gc.ca/apps/EForms/pdf/en/ISP-3025.pdf">https://catalogue.servicecanada.gc.ca/apps/EForms/pdf/en/ISP-3025.pdf</a>



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Allowance and Allowance for the Survivor	The Allowance for the Survivor is a benefit available to people aged 60 to 64 who have a low income, who is living in Canada, and whose spouse or common-law partner has died.	<ul> <li>aged 60-64</li> <li>reside in Canada and have resided in Canada for at least 10 years since the age of 18</li> <li>your spouse or common-law partner has died and the applicant not remarried or entered into a common-law relationship</li> <li>annual income is less than the maximum annual threshold</li> </ul>	The amount of the Allowance for the Survivor received depends on their previous year's income.	No earlier than 11 months before your 60 <sup>th</sup> birthday
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Website: <a href="https://www.canada.ca/en/services/benefits/publicpensions/cpp/old-age-security/guaranteed-income-supplement/allowance-survivor.html">https://www.canada.ca/en/services/benefits/publicpensions/cpp/old-age-security/guaranteed-income-supplement/allowance-survivor.html</a>