



2018 Budget Community Open House

What Budgets Should Do...

- **Make sure the “every day” work of the town is funded to support and maintain desired service levels in an efficient manner.**
- **Identify major projects and specific goals that support the Town’s strategic priorities and move the Town forward.**
- **Identify short and long-term goals that facilitate long-term planning (3 year financial plan; 10 year capital plan).**
- **Be balanced. The Municipal Government Act requires municipalities to operate on a balanced budget every year.**
- **Implement positive, proactive steps to position Ponoka for future growth.**

A budget is not just a collection of numbers, but an expression of our values and aspirations.

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