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Alberta Treasury Board and Finance Seeking Input for Budget 2020

Provide your input on ways to balance Alberta's budget

Alberta Treasury Board and Finance is seeking input on how to balance the 2020 provincial budget and create jobs while ensuring Albertans continue to have access to the supports they need. **Budget 2019** focused on three key priorities:

- Getting Albertans back to work
- Making life better for Albertans
- Standing up for Alberta

RMA understands the Government of Alberta's goal to balance the budget, however, this should be done in a manner that minimizes the impact to Albertans and municipalities. RMA suggests member submissions reference:

- The importance of sustainable municipal funding for service provision
- The important role municipally-managed roads and infrastructure play in providing access to Alberta's natural resources, and the need for funds to maintain them
- Funding for education, healthcare, and community services are vital for maintaining high quality of life in rural Alberta. Funding decreases may lead to a difficulty to attract jobs to rural communities

There are two ways to provide input on Budget 2020:

A) **Telephone Town Halls:** Join Finance Minister Toews on a telephone town hall to share your thoughts. Information on how to participate will be announced by the government closer to the event:

- Northern Alberta (North of Red Deer) on **Monday, January 27 from 6:30 - 8:00 pm**
- Southern Alberta (including Red Deer) on **Tuesday, January 28 from 6:30 - 8:00 pm**

B) **Online:** The [survey](#) will be available until **Friday, February 7 at 4:30 pm**

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