
\$2.3 Million Rehabilitation project support received for Marlene Stewart Streit Park

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Pelham, ON – Marlene Stewart Streit Park (MSSP), a central hub for community activity in Pelham, will become the home of Pelham’s second splash pad, a dedicated pavilion area and a fully updated swimming pool thanks to the support from the Investing in Canada Infrastructure Program (ICIP).

The project, set to take place over the next 5 years is funded through the \$2.3 Million investment received by the Town through the ICIP: Community, Culture and Recreation Stream - Rehabilitation and Renovation Intake grant. Marlene Stewart Streit Park currently houses the Isaac Riehl Memorial Skate Park, outdoor mural installation, a playground, exercise equipment and the Pelham pool. The current pool, which is over 60 years old, is home to the Pelham Penguins swim team, aqua Zumba classes, public and private swimming lessons, and family swims, is open from early June to the end of August.

“With the Investing in Canada Infrastructure Program addressing recreational renewal, Pelham is grateful to have received funding for the Marlene Stewart Streit Park project.” said Vickie vanRavenswaay, director of Recreation Culture and Wellness for Pelham. “The substantial support received for the park will allow Pelham residents to enjoy dynamic spaces in the park, with updated amenities that continue to provide the foundation for strong communities.”

Funding for the \$3,193,750.00 project is provided by a 40% federal contribution of \$1,277,500.00 and 33.33% provincial contribution of \$1,064,477.88. The Town of Pelham will provide the remaining 26.67% of the project with \$851,772.12, allocated from the long-term capital-planning budget. The initial phase of the project will begin in the 2021/22 year and see the installation of the splash pad and pavilion, with the pool replacement set to take place in 2026. The project fit well into the Town’s strategic priorities, notably building strong communities and cultural assets.

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