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Federal Budget Could Affect New Projects

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The Mohawk Council of Kahnawá:ke is still uncertain how Canada's new Federal Budget will affect the Community.

"Until we receive and assess the final Federal Budget, we are uncertain of the direct impacts to services in Kahnawá:ke," said Grand Chief Michael Delisle jr.

The MCK is currently heading into the third year of a five year Funding Arrangement with the Canada. The finances included in that arrangement are inadequate to begin with and does not meet all of Kahnawá:ke's current needs.

Though it is premature to speculate on the new Federal Budget, it appears as though it will not provide relief to the current shortfalls experienced by the MCK for programs and services. Potentially affected is 'Targeted Funding', which is used for new projects that rely specifically on Federal dollars.

While it's been reported that (some) other First Nations are predicting protests in reaction to the Federal Funding announcements, the MCK has made no such predictions.

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