



# Redeemer University College Submission: City of Hamilton Development Charges

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Audit, Finance and  
Administration Committee  
Meeting

# About Redeemer

- ✓ A Christian undergraduate university offering Bachelor of Arts, Bachelor of Science and Bachelor of Education degrees
- ✓ Located on 88 acres of land on Garner Road
- ✓ A publicly chartered and privately funded not-for-profit university
- ✓ Member of Universities Canada

# About Redeemer

- ✓ Approximately 700 students
- ✓ Recently announced a 42% reduction in undergraduate tuition for Canadian students
- ✓ Anticipates doubling enrolment over the next five years
- ✓ Over 6000 alumni, many whom are deeply committed to seeing Hamilton thrive

# Principles of Co-operation

*In 2013, the City of Hamilton, McMaster, Mohawk and Redeemer signed an agreement called the “Principles of Co-operation: Post-Secondary Education”*

- ✓ Working in Collaboration
- ✓ Access to Education
- ✓ Expanding Impact
- ✓ Community Building

# Not-for-Profit Institution

*Redeemer advances knowledge through excellence in teaching and in scholarship*

- ✓ Most Ontario municipalities provide full exemption from development charges for academic spaces
- ✓ Development charges would affect the level of resources required to support our core mission

# Equity among post-secondary institutions

*Colleges and universities should be treated equally in the City of Hamilton*

- ✓ Both Mohawk College and Brock University would be exempt from DCs, while Redeemer and McMaster would have to pay full DCs
- ✓ Most municipalities exempt **both** colleges and universities

# Ontario post-secondary academic spaces comparator chart

Municipality	Exemption	Notes
City of Barrie	100% exemptions universities	
City of Guelph	100% exemption universities	
City of Kingston	0% exemption for universities	
City of London	50% exemption for universities	
City of Mississauga	100% exemption for universities	
City of Oakville	100% exemption for universities	
City of Ottawa	0% exemption for universities	Carleton University (Section 10) and the University of Ottawa (Section 21) are <b>exempt</b> through their Charters
City of Toronto	100% exemption for universities	
City of Windsor	100% exemption for universities	
Niagara Region	0% exemption for universities	Brock University (Section 19) is <b>exempt</b> through their Charter
Region of Waterloo	100% municipal exemption (within “academic zones”); 0% regional exemption	

# Economic Impact in Hamilton

Annual expenditures	\$20 million
Number of students <i>320 on campus; remainder off campus</i>	700+
Estimated annual student expenditures locally <i>Accommodation, food, entertainment, transport, clothing</i>	\$6.6 million
Number of regular employees <i>Staff and faculty</i>	130
Number of work-study employees <i>Student employment – academic year and summer</i>	300
Jobs directly supported <i>Contracted work – food services, trades, security, marketing, fundraising, finance</i>	50
Annual visitors to campus <i>2018 – conferences, sports and cultural events</i>	50,000



# Community Impact

## *Examples of partnerships:*

- ✓ CityLAB
- ✓ Sustainable Hamilton Burlington
- ✓ Chedoke Watershed monitoring
- ✓ Our Future Hamilton
- ✓ Ancaster Soccer Club

## *Examples of alumni impact:*

- ✓ Indwell
- ✓ Barefoot Babies
- ✓ Relay Coffee
- ✓ New Hope Bikes

# Estimated Cost/Projections

New development charges for planned or potential new facilities on campus			
Facility	Year	Size (ft <sup>2</sup> )	New development charges*
Student residence 1	2021	80,000	\$850,800 (50%)**
Academic building	2022	100,000	\$2,127,000
Athletics facility	2022	60,000	\$1,276,200
Health innovation facility	2023	150,000	\$3,190,500
Student residence 2	2024	80,000	\$850,800**
<b>Total</b>		<b>470,000</b>	<b>\$8,295,300</b>

\*At current rate of \$21.27/ft<sup>2</sup>  
 \*\*Current student residences have a 50% exemption. This chart recognizes the additional development charges of 50%

# Redeemer's Request

Redeemer requests the following:

1. That not-for-profit post-secondary institutions continue to be fully exempt from development charges for academic spaces, for the purposes of teaching, learning and research
2. Further, for the 50% exemption for development charges on student residences to be grandfathered in for Redeemer for the remainder of any projects started on or before 2021