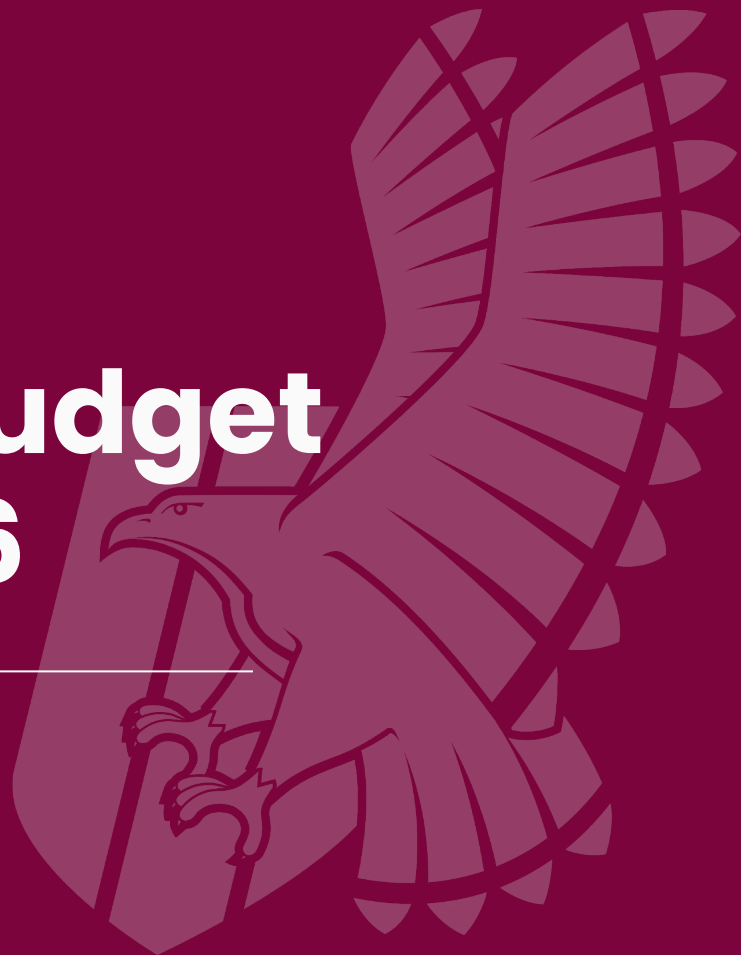




Municipal Pre-Budget Submission 2026

The McMaster Students Union



HOUSING

1.1. The CoH should expand the landlord licensing program to 5+ bedrooms and establish an accessible, web-based, reporting mechanism for rental violations.

70%

McMaster students
rent in Hamilton

50%

Live with 5 or more
roommates

Priority 3: Healthy & Safe Communities
Hamilton is a safe and supportive city
where people are active, healthy, and
have a high quality of life.

Student Safety

2.2. The City of Hamilton should provide funding and establish a Harm Reduction Network.



12%

Respondents have never explored Hamilton beyond McMaster campus

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STUDENT RETENTION

3.3. The CoH should work on the creation of an Urban Fellows program.

45%

Respondents are not considering staying in Hamilton after graduation

Priority 1: Community Engagement & Participation
Hamilton has an open, transparent and accessible approach to City government that engages with and empowers all citizens to be involved in their community.

Priority 2: Economic Prosperity & Growth
Hamilton has a prosperous and diverse local economy where people have opportunities to grow and develop.

Your City Survey

The Your City Survey collected 500+ responses on topics such as housing, transit, food security, policing, and more.

The report will share these insights, compared to results from previous Your City Surveys.