



SIMCOE COUNTY
Vacant Unit Rebate Stakeholder & Public Input Survey

Part 1: Respondent Information

A. Name (Optional) _____

B. Email Address or Phone Number (Optional) _____

C. Please confirm that you have not submitted a previous response to this survey

D. Please indicate all municipalities in which you reside, conduct business and/or pay property taxes. Check all that apply.

| Local Area Municipality | Own /Operate Business | Reside | Pay Property Tax |
|-----------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|
| Adjala-Tosorontio | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Bradford - West Gwillimbury | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Clearview | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Collingwood | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Essa | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Innisfil | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Midland | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| New Tecumseth | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Oro-Medonte | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Penetanguishene | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Ramara | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Severn | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Springwater | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Tay | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Tiny | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Wasaga Beach | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |

E. Are you responsible for the payment/administration of property taxes for a commercial or industrial class property within Simcoe County? Yes No

F. Please indicate one (1) stakeholder category that you feel best represents your perspective in completing this survey:

Residential Property Owner

Commercial / Industrial Property Owner / Occupant

Commercial / Industrial Landlord

Commercial / Industrial Tenant

Tax Agent / Taxpayer Representative

Other (Specify): _____



Part 2: Program Knowledge / Experience

A. Which best describes your familiarity with the Vacant Unit Rebate Program?

Not previously aware of this program

Generally aware of the program

Current or past applicant

Potential applicant

B. What best describes your personal experience with the Vacant Unit Rebate Program over the past 5 taxation years?

I have not applied for a rebate during this time

I have applied periodically over this time

I have applied for each of the past five years

I have applied for rebates on behalf of clients

I have applied for rebates in jurisdictions other than Simcoe County

C. If you have made an application under this program within the past 5 years, what is the approximate annual/ average value of rebate(s) received from Simcoe County Municipalities?

Application Not Approved (\$0)

Less than \$1,000

\$1,000 to \$2,500

\$2,500 to \$5,000

\$5,000 to \$10,000

Greater than \$10,000

D. If the program were available would you expect to make an application for all or part of the 2018 taxation year? Yes No Unsure at this time

Part 3: Input and Perspective

The Province of Ontario has provided municipalities with broad flexibility to tailor the treatment of vacant commercial and industrial units in response to local community circumstances, priorities and needs.

A. The County and local municipalities are considering the discontinuation of the Vacant Unit Rebate Program. Would you support or oppose this change?

Strongly Support

Support

No Opinion

Oppose

Strongly Oppose



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B. How do you believe such a change might impact (positively/ negatively) any or all of the following?

- Your own business / property
- The broader business community
- Commercial / Industrial vacancy rates
- Active / occupied businesses
- The non-business taxpayers of Simcoe or other groups

C. General Comments: Please provide any general comments or additional information that you feel could not be expressed within the context of the survey questions above.

Survey Submission: Completed Surveys may be submitted in one of the following ways.

- 1) Fax to: 905-878-9092,
- 2) Scan and e-mail to: simcoesurvey@mte.ca,
- 3) Return to County Administration Centre or the tax counter at your local municipality, or
- 4) This survey may be completed on-line by visiting <https://secure.mte.ca/simcoecounty>

The deadline to make a submission is Monday May 28th, 2018.