



## **1.1 City of Oshawa**

### **1.1.1 Introduction**

The City of Oshawa is one of 8 lower-tier municipalities within the Regional Municipality of Durham, and is responsible for the delivery of local government services such as the provision of recreation programs and facilities, parks and green space, community planning, road infrastructure and maintenance, active transportation infrastructure, parking, fire services, communications and community engagement, bylaw enforcement, and waste collection.

Services such as public transit, social services and social housing, recycling, sewer and water, EMS and policing are under regional jurisdiction and not under the City of Oshawa's purview.

TeachingCity project proposals should be directed to and address services under the lower tier's mandate.

### **1.1.2 City of Oshawa Interest**

The City of Oshawa is interested in TeachingCity projects/initiatives that fall into one of the following broad categories:

#### **1.1.2.1 Social Needs**

The City is interested in exploring research and collaborative projects aimed at meeting the social needs of the community.

Possible areas of study, but not limited to:

##### **Poverty reduction & Equity**

- Issues of food insecurity
- Economic and social disparity between neighbourhoods
- Affordable housing

##### **Unsheltered Residents & Issues of Mental Health/Addiction/Substance Abuse**

- Public Safety
- Connection to community services

##### **Increasing Diversity of the City**

- Aging population
- Increasing newcomers

#### **1.1.2.2 Data and Technology**

The City is interested in research, strategies or solutions that use data and technology to create efficiencies, improve sustainability, create economic development, and enhance

## Open Data and Data Management

Utilization of artificial intelligence and technology to increase efficiency, transparency and connection to the community

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The City is interested in research projects or solutions aimed at promoting environmental sustainability.

Possible areas of study, but not limited to:

Climate change mitigation & adaptation

- o Reduction of GHG emissions
- o Encouraging Active Transportation
- o Urban resiliency

Invasive Species

Water and Air Quality

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