

Town of Grand Valley Operating Budget 2025

Cemeteries

The Town is responsible for all management and operations of Union Cemetery, St Alban's Cemetery (partially closed), South Luther Cemetery (closed) and McDougall Cemetery (closed). Staff provide trustee services for the Monticello Cemetery, which is otherwise operated by its own board of management.

When expenses from the cemeteries exceed revenues in a given year, the Town levy covers the costs. In 2024, Union Cemetery was able to cover its operating costs, and the Town paid for capital repairs to the mausoleum and entrance gates. The Cemetery will repay the Town for this work as funding permits.

Union Cemetery will have a budget established, which will factor in the increased fees approved in 2024, so that the Town levy has less financial burden. At St. Alban's, the Town charges for and provides burial services for the spouses of those already interred in the cemetery; otherwise, St. Alban's cemetery does not generate revenue.

Continued exploration of funding models for these cemeteries is required.