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# Ontario Flows Gas Tax Funding to Municipalities

Investment will be used to support public transit systems across the province

January 14, 2021

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TORONTO — Today, Caroline Mulroney, Minister of Transportation, announced that Ontario is providing \$375 million through the Gas Tax program to help 109 municipalities across the province operate and expand public transit. The province will flow the funding as soon as possible in 2021.

"Our government is committed to helping municipalities sustain and improve public transit throughout the province," said Caroline Mulroney, Minister of Transportation. "Supporting transit systems is more important than ever as municipalities across Ontario struggle during the COVID-19 pandemic. This funding will help ensure people have access to safe, reliable transportation to get to work or pick up essential items like a prescription."

Funding for the Gas Tax program is determined by the number of litres of gasoline sold in the province during the previous year. Municipalities supporting public transit services in their community receive two cents per litre of provincial gas tax revenue collected. This funding can be used to extend service hours, buy transit vehicles, add routes, improve accessibility or upgrade infrastructure.

"Transit systems again thank this government for its unwavering support. From keeping existing service running safely and conveniently to building transit for tomorrow, Minister Mulroney has been an ally of transit systems and our riders. Ontario has placed immense value on public transit to help frontline workers get to and from work each day throughout the pandemic," said Kelly Paleczny, Chair of Ontario Public Transit Association and General Manager of the London Transit Commission. "This funding is crucial to communities across the province in the fight against COVID-19 and will play an important role in Ontario's economic recovery."

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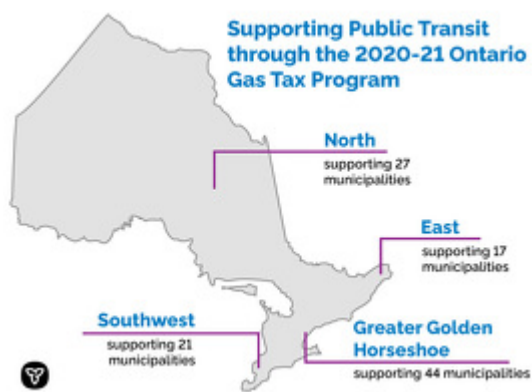
## Quick Facts

- The 109 municipalities receiving funding through the Gas Tax program deliver public transit service to 144 communities representing more than 92 per cent of Ontario's total population.
  - In July 2020, the province [announced up to \\$2 billion](#) from the provincial and federal governments under the Safe Restart Agreement to support municipal transit systems with operating costs like vehicle maintenance and employee wages, revenue losses as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic and other costs like installing driver protection barriers.
  - Ontario is developing regional plans that will help build a better transportation system across the province. The province has released draft regional transportation plans for [Northern Ontario](#) and [southwestern Ontario](#), and planning is underway for the Greater Golden Horseshoe and eastern Ontario.
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Ontario Flows Gas Tax Funding to Municipalities

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# 2020-21 Gas Tax Funding by Municipality

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Ontario's Gas Tax program supports public transit in municipalities across Ontario by providing two cents per litre of provincial gas tax to improve and expand transit.

The following 109 municipalities will receive the amounts listed below:

	Municipality	2020-21 Allocation
1	Atikokan	\$ 9,317
2	Bancroft (Hastings Highlands, Wollaston)	\$ 78,816
3	Barrie	\$ 2,248,027
4	Belleville	\$ 835,335
5	Blind River	\$ 16,191
6	Bracebridge	\$ 155,993
7	Bradford West Gwillimbury	\$ 378,054
8	Brampton	\$ 15,549,111
9	Brant County	\$ 169,524
10	Brantford	\$ 1,484,809
11	Brockville	\$ 224,734

12	Burlington	\$ 2,368,930
13	Caledon	\$ 379,401
14	Chapleau	\$ 18,630
15	Chatham-Kent	\$ 988,813
16	Clearview	\$ 128,126
17	Cobourg	\$ 203,868
18	Cochrane	\$ 40,630
19	Collingwood (The Blue Mountains)	\$ 347,662
20	Cornwall	\$ 682,276
21	Cramahe (Alnwick/Haldimand, Hamilton Township)	\$ 52,274
22	Deseronto (Greater Napanee, Hastings County, Tyendinaga)	\$ 148,417
23	Dryden	\$ 42,005
24	Durham Region	\$ 9,313,642
25	Dysart et al	\$ 23,618
26	Elliot Lake	\$ 130,900
27	Espanola	\$ 45,360

28	Fort Erie	\$ 293,379
29	Fort Frances	\$ 72,298
30	Greater Sudbury	\$ 2,862,852
31	Greenstone	\$ 23,481
32	Guelph	\$ 3,242,087
33	Halton Hills	\$ 568,711
34	Hamilton	\$ 11,687,199
35	Hanover (Arran-Elderslie, Brockton, Chatsworth, Huron-Kinloss, Kincardine, Saugeen Shores, Southgate, West Grey)	\$ 740,828
36	Hearst	\$ 46,221
37	Huntsville	\$ 95,869
38	Ingersoll	\$ 55,595
39	Innisfil	\$ 376,027
40	Kapuskasing	\$ 75,560
41	Kawartha Lakes	\$ 640,774
42	Kenora	\$ 143,366
43	Kingston	\$ 3,270,336

44	Lanark County	\$ 427,774
45	LaSalle	\$ 286,250
46	Leamington (Kingsville)	\$ 231,587
47	London	\$ 11,145,262
48	Loyalist Township	\$ 186,487
49	Machin	\$ 8,984
50	Marmora and Lake (Centre Hastings, Madoc, Stirling-Rawdon, Tweed)	\$ 87,851
51	Meaford	\$ 65,797
52	Midland	\$ 175,777
53	Milton	\$ 1,289,602
54	Mississauga	\$ 18,957,329
55	Muskoka	\$ 89,528
56	New Tecumseth	\$ 101,447
57	Niagara Falls	\$ 1,600,569
58	Niagara-on-the-Lake	\$ 168,753
59	Niagara Region	\$ 1,088,569

60	Norfolk County	\$ 244,393
61	North Bay	\$ 912,567
62	North Grenville	\$ 45,750
63	North Perth	\$ 80,090
64	Oakville	\$ 2,864,686
65	Orangeville	\$ 287,668
66	Orillia	\$ 543,980
67	Ottawa	\$ 38,456,862
68	Owen Sound	\$ 245,810
69	Parry Sound	\$ 58,123
70	Peel	\$ 494,598
71	Pelham	\$ 58,855
72	Pembroke (Laurentian Valley)	\$ 103,817
73	Penetanguishene	\$ 87,771
74	Perth East	\$ 73,121
75	Peterborough City	\$ 1,919,520



76	Peterborough County	\$ 40,846
77	Point Edward	\$ 20,728
78	Port Colborne	\$ 150,380
79	Port Hope	\$ 168,161
80	Prince Edward County	\$ 89,624
81	Quinte West (Brighton)	\$ 541,241
82	Renfrew (Admaston/Bromley, Bonnechere Valley, Greater Madawaska, Horton, Whitewater Region)	\$ 251,211
83	Russell	\$ 176,604
84	Sarnia	\$ 1,157,697
85	Sault Ste Marie	\$ 1,221,595
86	Schreiber (Terrace Bay)	\$ 22,774
87	Simcoe County	\$ 1,390,254
88	Sioux Lookout	\$ 51,219
89	St. Catharines	\$ 2,655,529
90	St. Marys (Perth South, Thames Centre, Zorra)	\$ 142,538
91	St. Thomas	\$ 419,784

92	Stratford	\$ 467,239
93	Tecumseh	\$ 73,220
94	Temiskaming Shores (Cobalt)	\$ 140,745
95	Thorold	\$ 271,151
96	Thunder Bay	\$ 2,262,966
97	Tillsonburg	\$ 73,883
98	Timmins	\$ 668,033
99	Toronto	\$ 185,200,996
100	Trent Hills	\$ 38,140
101	Wasaga Beach	\$ 222,282
102	Waterloo Region	\$ 11,795,463
103	Wawa	\$ 25,891
104	Welland	\$ 672,182
105	West Elgin (Newbury, Southwest Middlesex)	\$ 30,563
106	West Perth	\$ 31,307
107	Windsor	\$ 4,546,653

108	Woodstock	\$ 534,162
109	York Region	\$ 16,943,429

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## Federal gas tax fund

Learn how the program to support local infrastructure is implemented in Ontario.

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### Overview

The federal gas tax fund is money the federal government gives the Association of Municipalities, the City of Toronto and province twice a year to support local infrastructure.

Municipalities can pool, bank and borrow against the funding. They can also use it to improve:

- public transit
- solid waste management
- capacity building
- short-line rail
- broadband and connectivity
- tourism
- wastewater infrastructure
- community energy systems
- highways
- short-sea shipping
- brownfield redevelopment
- sport
- drinking water
- local roads and bridges
- local and regional airports
- disaster mitigation
- culture
- recreation

### How funding is distributed

In Ontario, the federal gas tax fund is distributed and administered by the:

1. [City of Toronto \(https://www.toronto.ca/city-government/accountability-operations-customer-service/city-administration/city-managers-office/intergovernmental-affairs/federal-gas-tax-fund/\)](https://www.toronto.ca/city-government/accountability-operations-customer-service/city-administration/city-managers-office/intergovernmental-affairs/federal-gas-tax-fund/)
2. [Association of Municipalities of Ontario \(https://www.amo.on.ca/AMO-Content/Gas-Tax/Canada-s-Gas-Tax-Fund\)](https://www.amo.on.ca/AMO-Content/Gas-Tax/Canada-s-Gas-Tax-Fund)
3. [Ministry of Transportation \(https://www.library.mto.gov.on.ca/SydneyPLUS/Sydney/Portal/default.aspx?component=AAAAY&record=5328e4bb-5ec1-42db-a868-9d597c9c500d&lang=en-US\)](https://www.library.mto.gov.on.ca/SydneyPLUS/Sydney/Portal/default.aspx?component=AAAAY&record=5328e4bb-5ec1-42db-a868-9d597c9c500d&lang=en-US)

The Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO) manages funding for all municipalities except for Toronto. The City of Toronto and AMO receive and allocate funds on a **per capita** basis. That means the amount of money a municipality gets depends on how many people live there.

The Ministry of Transportation receives funds on a per capita basis for unincorporated areas and allocates funds based on kilometers of public roads managed by a [Local Roads Board](https://www.mndm.gov.on.ca/en/northern-development/community-support/local-services-board) (<https://www.mndm.gov.on.ca/en/northern-development/community-support/local-services-board>).

## Role of the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing

We signed the fund's [administrative agreement](https://www.infrastructure.gc.ca/prog/agreements-ententes/gtf-fte/2014-on-eng.html) (<https://www.infrastructure.gc.ca/prog/agreements-ententes/gtf-fte/2014-on-eng.html>) on behalf of the province and work with Infrastructure Canada, the Association of Municipalities of Ontario and the City of Toronto to implement it.

We do not allocate or administer the funding.

## Oversight committee

Under the administrative agreement, there must be an [oversight committee](http://www.infrastructure.gc.ca/prog/agreements-ententes/gtf-fte/2014-on-eng.html#sect7) (<http://www.infrastructure.gc.ca/prog/agreements-ententes/gtf-fte/2014-on-eng.html#sect7>) that includes 2 members from the:

- City of Toronto
- federal government
- the Province of Ontario
- Association of Municipalities of Ontario

The oversight committee:

- monitors the implementation of the administrative agreement
- provides a forum to address and resolve issues arising from the agreement

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### Related

[Municipal guides and programs](https://www.ontario.ca/page/municipal-guides-and-programs) (<https://www.ontario.ca/page/municipal-guides-and-programs>)



# The Federal Gas Tax Fund



**i** On June 1, 2020, the Government of Canada announced that the allocation of \$2.2 billion under the federal Gas Tax Fund would be accelerated this year and provided in a single payment in June to help Canadian communities recover from the COVID-19 pandemic as quickly as possible while respecting public health guidelines.

Learn more about how the federal Gas Tax Fund is working in your province or territory:

- Alberta [PDF](#) (205.39 KB) [HTML](#)
- British Columbia [PDF](#) (590.49 KB) [HTML](#)
- Manitoba [PDF](#) (169.36 KB) [HTML](#)
- New Brunswick [PDF](#) (155.43 KB) [HTML](#)
- Newfoundland and Labrador [PDF](#) (173.23 KB) [HTML](#)
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- Quebec [PDF](#) (145.59 KB) [HTML](#)
- Saskatchewan [PDF](#) (532.14 KB) [HTML](#)
- Yukon [PDF](#) (202.24 KB) [HTML](#)

The federal Gas Tax Fund (GTF (Gas Tax Fund)) is a permanent source of funding provided up front, twice-a-year, to provinces and territories, who in turn flow this funding to their municipalities to support local infrastructure priorities. Municipalities can pool, bank and borrow against this funding, providing significant financial flexibility.

The federal Gas Tax Fund delivers over \$2 billion every year to 3600 communities across the country. In recent years the funding has supported approximately 4000 projects each year. Communities select how best to direct the funds with the flexibility to make strategic investments across the following 18 different project categories:

- public transit
- wastewater infrastructure
- drinking water
- solid waste management
- community energy systems
- local roads and bridges
- capacity building
- highways
- local and regional airports
- short-line rail
- short-sea shipping
- disaster mitigation
- broadband and connectivity
- brownfield redevelopment
- culture
- tourism
- sport

- recreation

Under the agreement for the federal Gas Tax Fund, the provinces and territories are accountable for reporting to the federal government on the projects that were funded and the benefits that were achieved.

► Learn more about GTF (Gas Tax Fund) projects across Canada here:

## Additional resources

- [Federal Gas Tax Fund agreements](#)
- [Federal Gas Tax Fund allocation table](#)
- [Service Standards for Infrastructure Canada's funding programs](#)

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## SAULT STE. MARIE REGION CONSERVATION AUTHORITY

### 2021 Annual General Meeting Agenda Tuesday, January 19, 2021 @ 4:45 p.m. Electronic Meeting

#### 1. Declaration of Conflict of Interest

#### 2020 Business

##### 2. Finance and Administration

- December 15, 2020 Minutes
- Accounts Payable to December 31, 2020

##### 3. Water and Related Land Management

- Development, Interference with Wetlands and Alterations to Shorelines and Watercourses

##### 4. Chair's Remarks

#### 2021 Business

##### 5. Finance and Administration

- Election of Officers
- Appointments for 2021
  - ❖ Banking Agents & Borrowing Arrangements
  - ❖ Appointment of Auditor
  - ❖ Appointment of Legal Council
  - ❖ CA Representatives on Conservation Ontario Council
- Accounts Payable
- January Health and Safety Meeting Minutes
- 2021 Meeting Schedule
- Code of Conduct

##### 6. Board Member Orientation Presentation

##### 7. Water and Related Land Management

- Development, Interference with Wetlands and Alterations to Shorelines and Watercourses

##### 8. New Business / Other

- Correspondence from Minister Yurek
- Summary of Property Inquiries for 2020

##### 9. Adjournment

For members of the public interested in attending this meeting, please contact the General Manager, Corrina Barrett, at [cbarrett@ssmrca.ca](mailto:cbarrett@ssmrca.ca) to make arrangements. Thank you in advance for your cooperation.



**SAULT STE. MARIE SOURCE PROTECTION AUTHORITY  
2021 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**

**Tuesday January 19, 2021  
Electronic Meeting  
Agenda**

**2020 Business**

- 1. Declaration of Conflict of Interest**
- 2. Administration**
  - Minutes of Meeting October 20, 2020

**2021 Business**

- 3. Administration**
  - Appointment of Officers
- 4. Program Update**
  - Section 36 Update: Review and Approval
- 4. Adjournment**

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# NEW COVID-19 PROVINCIAL EMERGENCY DECLARED, UPDATED COVID-19 MODELLING, AND CONSERVATION AUTHORITY WORK GROUP

January 12, 2021

## Second Provincial Emergency Declared to Address the 2<sup>nd</sup> COVID-19 Wave

Ontario Premier Doug Ford followed the release of new modeling projections (see below) this morning with the declaration of a second provincial emergency for Ontario under s 7.0.1 (1) of the *Emergency Management and Civil Protection Act* (EMCPA) that will be effective immediately.

This declaration means that the government will now make orders under the EMCPA. This action comes as a measure to help curb the rising COVID-19 cases and deaths across the Province by targeting the reduction in the levels of mobility.

Highlights from today's announcement include:

- **As of Thursday, January 14, 2021 at 12:01 a.m., a stay-at-home order comes into effect** requiring everyone in Ontario to remain at home with exceptions for essential purposes (i.e., trips to the grocery store or pharmacy, accessing health care, for exercise, or essential work).
- **Individuals are now required to wear a mask or face covering in the indoor areas of businesses or organizations that are open.** Additionally, a mask is now recommended outdoors when physical distancing of two metres is not possible.
- **New enforcement measures are set to allow Provincial offences officers, including Police, Municipal Bylaw officers, and First Nations Constables to issue tickets** to individuals, employees, or corporations who do not comply with the stay-at-home order. Additionally, all enforcement personnel now have the authority to close a premise or disperse individuals in contravention of an order.
- **The Province has updated the essential business list** with a few additional closures, but it remains largely unchanged due to already being in a lockdown setting. This means status quo for municipal construction projects that will continue to remain on the essential business list. For more information, call the "Stop the Spread" business information line.
- **The Small Business Support Grant will be accepting applications in the coming days** for small businesses who are impacted by the lockdown and meet the criteria to receive this support.
- The Ministry of Labour, Training and Skills Development is launching the "Stay Safe All Day" campaign that focuses workplace inspections in areas of high transmission (i.e., lunch or break rooms).

An emergency declaration pursuant to s. 7.0.1 under *Emergency Management and Civil Protection Act* (EMCPA) is terminated 14 days after being made and may be extended for up to a further 14 days by the Lieutenant Governor in Council. Thereafter, extensions require approval of the Legislature for additional periods of up to 28 days.

The orders currently in force under the *Reopening Ontario (A Flexible Response to COVID-19) Act, 2020* (ROA)

remain in effect until January 20, 2021. Under the ROA, orders can be extended for up to 30 days at a time, and the government must continue to report on all order extensions to the Select Committee on Emergency Management Oversight.

A full list of emergency orders under the EMPCA as well as orders under the ROA can be found on the e-Laws website.

Ontario is now in a second provincial emergency due to COVID-19 with a series of orders coming into effect over the next two days. AMO will provide regular updates as more orders of a municipal interest come forward under the EMCPA.

### **COVID-19 Science Advisory Table Update**

The COVID-19 Science Advisory Table updated their modelling given trends with recent population data.

Today's presentation provides compelling data on the people and health care system impacts if these trends continue unchecked.

Their Key Findings include:

- Growth in COVID19 cases has accelerated and is over 7% on the worst days.
- Over the last 4 weeks, there has been a:
  - 72.2% increase in COVID hospitalizations
  - 61.2% increase in COVID ICU patients.
- Almost 40% of long-term care homes have active COVID-19 outbreaks. Since January 1<sup>st</sup>, 198 LTC residents and 2 LTC staff have died of COVID-19. Forecasts suggest more deaths in wave 2 in long-term care than in wave 1.
- COVID-19 ICU occupancy is now over 400 beds. Surgeries are being cancelled and the access to care deficit will continue to increase with real consequences for health.
- Mobility and contacts between people have not decreased with the current restrictions. Survey data show that the majority of Ontarians are helping limit spread by following them. However, case numbers will not decline until more of the population follows their example.
- A new variant of concern of SARS-CoV-2 (B117) (UK variant) could drive much higher case counts, ICU occupancy and mortality if community transmission occurs. The doubling time for cases could drop by more than 2/3. This new variant is now in Ontario.
- Without significant reductions in contacts, the health system will be overwhelmed, and mortality will exceed the first wave totals before a vaccine has time to take effect.

### **Conservation Authorities Working Group**

The Minister of Environment, Conservation and Parks (MECP) has established a multi-stakeholder Working Group to consider proposed regulations impacting conservation authorities and municipalities. Early work will focus on the mandatory programs and services to be delivered by conservation authorities and the MOUs between CAs and municipal governments for non-mandatory programs and services paid for by municipalities.

MECP has posted details of the Working Group's tasks and membership. AMO will be represented on this working group by Cathie Brown, Senior Advisor.

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AMO's COVID-19 Resources page is being updated continually so you can find critical information in one place. Please send any of your municipally related pandemic questions to [covid19@amo.on.ca](mailto:covid19@amo.on.ca).

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# NEW COVID-19 ONTARIO REGULATIONS, ONTARIO GAS TAX FOR TRANSIT ALLOCATIONS, ONTARIO HERITAGE ACT AMENDMENTS UPDATE, AND FIREFIGHTER TRAINING CHANGES

January 14, 2021

## New COVID-19 Ontario Regulations under ROA and EMCPA

- Ontario regulation 10/21 under *Reopening Ontario (A Flexible Response to COVID-19) Act, 2020*
  - Amending O. Reg. 82/20 RULES FOR AREAS IN STAGE 1 Filed: January 13, 2021
- Ontario regulation 11/21 under the *Emergency Management and Civil Protection Act*
  - O. Reg. 11/21 STAY-AT-HOME ORDER Filed: January 13, 2021
- Ontario regulation 12/21 made under the *Provincial Offences Act*
  - Amending Reg. 950 of R.R.O. 1990 Filed: January 13, 2021
  - PROCEEDINGS COMMENCED BY CERTIFICATE OF OFFENCE – offences under an EMCPA order
- Ontario regulation 13/21 made under the *Emergency Management and Civil Protection Act*
  - O. Reg. 13/21 RESIDENTIAL EVICTIONS Filed: January 13, 2021

The Ontario government has issued an emergency order through the above regulation to temporarily pause the enforcement of residential evictions to make sure that people are not forced to leave their homes during this provincial declaration of emergency and while the stay-at-home-order is in force.

A full list of emergency orders under the EMCPA as well as orders under the ROA can be found on the e-Laws website.

## Ontario Gas Tax for Transit Allocations Announced

The Honourable Caroline Mulroney announced the 2020-21 Ontario Gas Tax funding allocations to support Ontario municipal transit systems. The Province will provide \$375 million to 109 municipalities as soon as possible in 2021. This funding is in addition to Safe Restart Agreement funding for transit systems and other supports.

The Ontario Gas Tax provides 2 cents/litre of fuel from provincial revenue to fund municipal transit capital and operations across the province. Funding from the Ontario Gas Tax is critical to supporting municipal transit systems in Ontario, especially as they work to adapt to challenges brought by the COVID-19 pandemic.

See AMO's background information on the evolution of the Ontario Gas Tax, Ontario Community Infrastructure Fund (OCIF), and other critical infrastructure programs for more details on the importance of the suite of provincial supports to municipal governments.

## Update on *Ontario Heritage Act* Amendments

A proposed regulation under the *Ontario Heritage Act* and the legislative amendments made through the *More Homes, More Choice Act, 2019*, were due to come into force on January 1, 2021.

In response to municipal requests, due to ongoing pandemic considerations which have limited the ability to prepare to implement these changes, the proclamation of the amendments and the regulation **have been delayed**. No new proclamation date has been announced.

The Ministry will be posting drafts of the updated Ontario Heritage Tool Kit guide for public consultation at a later date and will communicate further on a proposed proclamation date. Should you have questions the Ministry recommends you contact your regular Ministry contacts or send an email to [heritage@ontario.ca](mailto:heritage@ontario.ca) and the appropriate staff person will respond.

### Firefighter Training Changes

Yesterday, the Province announced it is expanding firefighter training opportunities across the province, and modernizing the program to bring fire training closer to home. The Ontario Fire College, which has not hosted on-site training since the onset of COVID-19 in March 2020, will be decommissioned and replaced with 20 regional training centres to deliver on-site and online fire safety training in communities where firefighters serve. The Office of the Fire Marshal is also investing in two mobile units that will bring live fire training to local fire services.

The shift to local training opportunities is expected to increase capacity for training and reduce the need for municipal fire departments to pay for travel and costs related to overtime and shift backfills.

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January 14, 2021

## In This Issue

- AMO signs MOU with Ontario Federation of Indigenous Friendship Centres.
- The Rural Economic Development program now open.
- Don't regret missing ROMA 2021.
- Second chance for Energy Reporting.
- Municipal Group Buying Program balloons to 150 participants!
- Careers: Simcoe, Durham, Amherstburg, Nipigon, Algonquin Highlands & Machin.

## AMO Matters

In late 2020, AMO and the OFIFC signed an MOU that brings both organizations to the table on issues that matter to our communities. The MOU will help strengthen the relationship between Ontario's Indigenous and non-Indigenous communities.

## Provincial Matters

The Rural Economic Development program is now open and accepting applications. To be eligible for the program you must be: a municipality; a not-for-profit entity; an Ontario Indigenous community or organization; a Local Services Board. This intake will close on February 1, 2021.

## Eye on Events

Ministers' Forums, political analysis, Zone meet ups, concurrent sessions digging into the biggest issues your communities face are all on the ROMA agenda. With a little over a week to register, don't think twice, register here.

## LAS

Did you miss the O.Reg. 507/18 annual energy reporting deadline last year? The portal may be closed, but the Ministry of Energy will still accept your 2018 consumption data. Simply email your organization's report or any questions you might have to BPSsupport@ontario.ca. Next deadline is July 1, 2021 to report on 2019 consumption data.

The number of participants in the Municipal Group Buying Program exploded from 14 to 150 in 2020! We're thrilled to see how our municipalities have embraced this program and glad we can help save time and money on the things you buy every day. Contact us for more information.

## Careers

Manager, Public Housing - County of Simcoe. Reports to: Director, Social Housing. Employment Status: Permanent Full-Time. Reference Code: 1018. Location Midhurst. Closing Date: January 25, 2021. View the job description and submit your application online at County of Simcoe.

Manager of the Rapid Transit Office (RTO) - Region of Durham. The Region of

Durham is the fastest growing area in the Greater Golden Horseshoe. The Region understands Rapid Transit is key to accommodate this growth, and connects people to opportunities in a sustainable way. Job ID 13894. Close Date: January 29, 2021. To apply, please visit Durham Region [Job Postings](#).

Planner (Temporary Full-Time) - Town of Amherstburg. Position Term: Up to 2 years. Reports to: Manager of Planning Services. Visit Employment Opportunities on the [Town's website](#) for a detailed job description. Qualified applicants are invited to submit a resume no later than Monday, February 1, 2021 at 4:30 p.m. to [resumes@amherstburg.ca](mailto:resumes@amherstburg.ca).

Treasurer - Township of Nipigon. Interested applicants are invited to review the Treasurer-Tax Collector job description on the Township of Nipigon's [website](#) and forward resumes marked "Confidential" prior to 12 noon on Friday, February 5, 2021 by regular mail, personal delivery or email to: Attention: Kelly Paakkunainen, CAO/Clerk, Township of Nipigon, 52 Front Street, PO Box 160, Nipigon, Ontario P0T 2J0. Email: [kellyp@nipigon.net](mailto:kellyp@nipigon.net).

Operations Manager - Township of Algonquin Highlands. Reports to the Chief Administrative Officer. Please visit the Township's [website](#) for the full job description. Please submit your cover letter and resume in confidence mark" to: Dawn Mugford-Guay, Human Resources Coordinator, Township of Algonquin Highlands, 1123 North Shore Road, Algonquin Highlands, ON K0M 1J1. Email: [dmugfordguay@algonquinhighlands.ca](mailto:dmugfordguay@algonquinhighlands.ca).

Economic Development Officer - Municipality of Machin. Employment Start Date: February 1, 2021. Position Status: full-time, 3 year contract. Deadline: Posting will remain open until a suitable candidate has been selected. Direct Applications to: The Municipality of Machin, Attn: Tammy Rob, Box 249, Vermilion Bay, ON P0V 2V0 Email: [clerktreasurer@visitmachin.com](mailto:clerktreasurer@visitmachin.com), Phone: 807.227.2633 ext.22, Fax: 807.227.5443.

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December 18, 2020

Dear City Council;

I am so sad about the stairs on MacDonald Ave, being close. However, I'm also excited about what you will do to fix the stairs! 😊  
When I was very young the stairs were made of wood. The Improvements through the years are so appreciated I am thankful of the city workers; painting, welding, cutting grass and branches, spraying weeds as well as shoveling and sanding all those stairs. The lighting is great and there is even a pail for litter. Many people that travel by foot or even bike or stroller use the stairs. Some people jog up and down for a handy workout. Other people go to school, shopping, swimming, hockey, to the park and work use these stairs. Some people sit and enjoy the view of the river.

Please do not wait too long to fix the stairs. In this area there have been bear, deer and of course coyote, for raccoons and other critters and birds that may want to take over the vacant area. Be watchful of vandals and hankie panky, in this closed area too!

Thank You, The Cardiff's



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December 21, 2020

TO:  
The Honourable Doug Ford ([premier@ontario.ca](mailto:premier@ontario.ca))  
Premier of Ontario

AND TO:  
Minister of Health Hon. Christine Elliott ([christine.elliott@pc.ola.org](mailto:christine.elliott@pc.ola.org))

Board of Health for the Windsor-Essex County Health Unit  
Attention: Lee Anne Damphouse, Executive Assistant to the Medical Officer of Health,  
CEO, and Board of Health ([ldamphouse@wechu.org](mailto:ldamphouse@wechu.org))

The Windsor-Essex County Health Unit ([wahmed@wechu.org](mailto:wahmed@wechu.org))  
Attention: Dr. Wajid Ahmed  
Medical Officer of Health, Windsor-Essex County Health Unit

Dear Premier:

**RE: Letter of Support for Small Businesses**

At its Regular Meeting held on December 14, 2020 Kingsville Council passed the following Resolution:

"704-2020

Moved By Councillor Kimberly DeYong  
Seconded By Councillor Larry Patterson

Attention: Premier Doug Ford

WHEREAS the health and safety of Ontarians is the number one priority and health is a state of physical, mental and social well-being, not merely the absence of disease;

AND WHEREAS many businesses rely on the holiday season for their financial strength and whereby these businesses have faced unprecedented difficult times throughout 2020 due to the COVID-19 pandemic restrictions;

AND WHEREAS closing our small local businesses during the holiday season means many will not survive and business owners and their employees will lose their livelihoods;

AND WHEREAS the Town of Kingsville's commercial businesses are predominately made up of small independently owned businesses and closing them will force residents to travel out of town into larger crowds increasing their exposure to COVID-19;

AND WHEREAS our small independent businesses have every reason to keep customers safe and are able to ensure limited capacity, customer contact tracing and disinfecting in-between customers and may be able to offer curb-side and delivery.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Town of Kingsville calls upon the Premier of Ontario, Doug Ford, as well as the Ontario cabinet and Health officials, to protect the health of Ontarians and our small businesses by allowing them to remain open to in-store sales and service with limited capacity and increased safety measures;

AND THAT this resolution be forwarded to: All Ontario municipalities; Minister of Economic Development, Job Creation and Trade Hon. Victor Fedeli; Associate Minister of Small Business and Red Tape Reduction Hon Prabmeet Singh Sarkaria; Minister of Health Hon. Christine Elliott; Minister of Finance Hon. Rod Phillips; Associate Minister of Mental Health and Addictions Hon. Michael A. Tibollo; MPP Taras Natyshak; the Windsor-Essex County Health Unit Board of Health; and the Windsor-Essex County Health Unit Medical Officer of Health Dr. Wajid Ahmed.

CARRIED"

Yours very truly,



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Associate Minister of Mental Health and Addictions Hon. Michael A. Tibollo  
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