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That the Correspondence Package No. I-23-FEB-03 be received as information and filed accordingly.

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NEWS RELEASE

New “As of Right” Rules a First in Canada to Attract More Health Care Workers to Ontario

Changes will automatically recognize the credentials of health care workers registered in other provinces and territories

January 19, 2023

[Office of the Premier](#)

WINDSOR – With new “As of Right” rules, the Ontario government will allow health care workers registered in other provinces and territories to immediately start working and caring for people in Ontario.

“As we connect people to more convenient care, we need to be bold, innovative and creative,” said Premier Doug Ford. “With our new “As of Right” rules, Ontario is the first province in Canada to allow health care workers from across the country to immediately start providing care. That’s the kind of innovative solutions that will cut down unnecessary bureaucratic delays and help bring reinforcements to the frontlines of our health care system.”

The government will introduce legislative changes in February 2023 that, if passed, will allow Canadian health care workers that are already registered or licensed in another Canadian jurisdiction to practice in Ontario immediately, without having to first register with one of Ontario’s health regulatory colleges. These changes will help health-care workers overcome bureaucratic delays that have made it difficult to practice in Ontario.

“Our government is making health care more accessible for Ontarians, which means recruiting more health care professionals to bolster our health care system and making it easier for them to start working,” said Sylvia Jones, Deputy Premier and Minister of Health. “A highly-skilled health care worker from British Columbia or Nova Scotia shouldn’t have to pause their career or face barriers to practice here in Ontario.”

In addition, Ontario will also be helping hospitals and other health organizations temporarily increase staffing when they need to fill vacancies or manage periods of high patient volume, such as during the COVID-19 pandemic. In February, the government will introduce legislation that, if passed, will increase staffing levels on

a short-term basis by allowing health care professionals, including nurses, paramedics, respiratory therapists, and others, to work outside of their regular responsibilities or settings, as long as they have the knowledge skill, and judgement to do so. This will provide hospitals and other settings with more flexibility to ensure health care professionals are filling the most in-demand roles at the right time.

As a part of the government’s focus on making health care more convenient for Ontarians, the province is hiring more health care professionals to better connect Ontarians to the care they need, when and where they need it. This work is on top of other initiatives to recruit more health care workers, such as making it easier for internationally-educated nurses to join Ontario’s workforce and investing to upskill nurses currently working in the province. As Ontario continues to expand its health workforce, patients can expect more services in their community, shorter wait times and greater access to high-quality care.

Quick Facts

- These changes, if passed, will mark the first step towards a pan-Canadian portable registration model, the first of its kind for health care professionals in Canada.
- Under this proposal, health care professionals from outside the province will only be eligible and permitted to work in Ontario if they have provided safe, competent, and ethical health care in their home province or territory.
- Information on practicing in Ontario as an out-of-province health care professional can be found on the [HealthForceOntario](#) website.
- The Ontario government is expanding medical school education. Ontario is adding 160 undergraduate seats and 295 postgraduate positions over the next five years, the largest expansion of undergraduate and postgraduate education in over 10 years.

Additional Resources

- [Ontario Doing More to Further Expand Health Workforce](#)
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SPEECH

Premier Doug Ford's Speech at the Rural Ontario Municipalities Association 2023

January 23, 2023

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TORONTO — Premier Ford delivered the following remarks at the 2023 Rural Ontario Municipal Association conference.

“Well, good morning.

Thank you, Jeyan, for your introduction.

And thank you to the Rural Ontario Municipal Association and all its members for having me here today.

And isn't it great to be here, together in person, for the first time in two years.

Navigating the COVID-19 pandemic was a once-in-a-century challenge especially for small and rural communities.

I'm so proud of how Team Ontario responded.

From our heroes on the frontlines to every one of Ontario's 444 municipalities, we came together to keep our province safe.

I want to thank you all for the work you did and continue to do to help keep our communities safe and healthy.

As I've said before the small communities and townships of Ontario are the lifeblood of this province and our government will always have your backs.

Because we know that if our rural communities are successful and prosperous then all of Ontario is successful and prosperous.

My friends, our government has a plan that's building all of Ontario.

Whether you live in Downtown Toronto, Sudbury, Thunder Bay or Goderich and everywhere in between, we're making sure every inch of Ontario, every person and community benefits from our investments to support economic growth and protect jobs.

Our plan to build Ontario starts with building a stronger economy.

As you all know under the previous government, Ontario saw over 300,000 jobs vanish, as businesses fled to other jurisdictions.

Skyrocketing energy costs and over-regulation made it impossible for businesses here to compete.

They left in the thousands.

Each of you know best...how devastating it can be...on smaller towns and communities when companies leave.

Families struggle.

Other businesses are just as hurt.

But those days are over.

They're done.

We're making electricity more affordable and cutting red tape.

We've kept taxes and fees low.

And the result is we have reduced the cost of doing business in Ontario by seven-billion dollars a year.

That's right. \$7 billion...with a B...each and every year.

And, since our government took office in 2018, we have created over 500,000 new jobs all over the province.

These jobs...these investments...that's money that goes back to the businesses in your community so they can invest in growth and create new jobs.

Our government is also revitalizing our auto sector helping to make Ontario an auto-manufacturing powerhouse once again.

We're securing billions of dollars in new investments including Honda's \$1.4 billion investment to retool its Alliston assembly plant and Stellantis and LG's historic, \$5 billion investment to build Canada's first ever electric vehicle battery plant.

I was thrilled to be on hand at General Motors last December in Ingersoll...

As the first full scale electric vehicle plant opened and trucks came off the production line.

But friends the real opportunity for Ontario...for all of Ontario...is realizing the full value of the electric vehicle supply chain.

From start to finish...from mining to manufacturing...we're going to build the cars of the future right here in Ontario, across Ontario.

Last year in Thunder Bay, I had the opportunity to stand shoulder to shoulder with some amazing miners as our government launched Ontario's first-ever critical minerals strategy.

A five-year roadmap to better connect the industries, resources and workers in our province's north to our manufacturers in the south.

We're also strengthening the manufacturing sectors in eastern and southwestern Ontario.

Through our Regional Development Program, we've invested more than \$70 million, since 2019 to help create more than 1,400 jobs.

And we're investing in our province's Agri-food sector with a goal to increase Ontario food production by 30 per cent over the next 10 years helping to ensure our province's food supply chain remains safe, strong and stable.

Another priority for our government is to find more ways to keep costs down for Ontario families.

Our government will always look for ways to put more money back in Ontarian's pockets.

We eliminated fees for license plate stickers.

And we cut the gas tax...a tax that impacts rural and remote communities most.

The cost of gas impacts every single product and service as trucks, trains and planes bring us the things we rely on.

Cutting the gas tax cuts the cost of these products and services.

It's never been more important to offer hard-working people a bit of relief.

And my friends, we can't talk about affordability, without talking about building homes.

As you know we are currently facing a housing crisis, decades in the making as previous governments refused to build the housing we needed.

With our population expected to grow by over 2 million over the next decade we need more homes, built faster.

That's why our government is taking bold action to build 1.5-million new homes across Ontario by 2031 including a mix of ownership and rental housing types that meet the needs of all Ontarians.

It's simple economics...it's supply and demand.

We need to work together, to build new homes to make home ownership more attainable for people.

This plan includes building more homes in every part of Ontario.

Ontario's small towns...our rural communities...they're also growing.

As they do, we want to make sure that people can continue to enjoy the beauty of... and set down roots in...Ontario's rural communities.

And as our communities grow, we know that our infrastructure needs to keep up.

That's why we're investing a historic \$86.6 billion over ten years to build and expand roads, highways, and transit infrastructure across Ontario.

And we're pleased to be supporting our Indigenous partners in communities around the ring of fire in their work to finally build an all-season roadway, not only to support development, but also improve access to every-day essentials like fuel, groceries and health care.

This year through the Ontario Community Infrastructure Fund, we're providing \$400 million to 425 small, rural and northern communities to renew and rehabilitate critical infrastructure including roads, bridges, water and wastewater projects.

Another critical piece of infrastructure that has been long ignored is connecting all Ontarians to modern broadband internet.

When I speak to people in Toronto, some are shocked to learn that not everyone in our province has access to high-speed internet.

We need to fix that...and we are.

As part of our nearly \$4 billion, multi-year investment, we're bringing reliable high-speed internet access to every region in Ontario by the end of 2025.

And finally, I want to speak briefly about health care infrastructure and how we're connecting all Ontarians including those who live in rural communities to more convenient care closer to home.

I know our all-star Deputy Premier and Health Minister is up next and I'll let her speak about specific initiatives.

But I do want to say that our government is making historic investments in health care.

We are adding 3,000 more hospital beds, across the province with 50 major hospital infrastructure projects under way including many outside of major cities like Bracebridge and Huntsville, Collingwood, Brant and Grand River to name just a few.

People who live in more rural and remote parts of Ontario deserve to receive care in modern, state-of-the-art hospitals just like anyone else.

And as we build new hospitals, we're expanding Ontario's health care workforce with increased funding to recruit, retain, and train nurses and other staff including for our rural and remote communities where hiring health care workers has always been more difficult.

Last week, Minister Jones, Minister Dunlop and I unveiled our plans to expand the popular Learn and Stay grant.

This grant pays for the full cost of tuition, books and other supplies for students in high-demand fields including nurses, paramedics, and lab-techs, in return for agreeing to work in underserved areas of the province including our rural and remote communities.

And we're making it easier, faster, and more convenient for Ontarians everywhere to access quality care, close to home.

My friends, our government is creating the conditions for jobs to grow and businesses to succeed.

We're working to make life more affordable for Ontarians.

And, to keep in line with the theme of this year's conference, we're breaking new ground on new homes and new infrastructure projects in every community in this province.

From North Bay to Palmerston to Owen Sound and everywhere in between.

But...as we navigate global economic uncertainty...we know there is more to do.

We must stay focused and we can't take anything for granted.

I look forward to working with all of you to build a stronger Ontario and to make sure that every community in Ontario is the best place to live, work and raise a family.

Thank you...enjoy the rest of this conference.

And may God Bless the people of Ontario.

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NEWS RELEASE

Building All of Ontario

Government's investments supporting economic growth, protecting jobs and building infrastructure in rural communities

January 24, 2023

[Municipal Affairs and Housing](#)

TORONTO — The Ontario government is working with its rural municipal partners to build housing, encourage economic growth and development, reduce red tape, strengthen the agri-food sector and promote rural municipalities as great places to live, work and do business.

“Our government has a plan that’s building all of Ontario,” said Premier Doug Ford. “No matter the size of your community or where you live, we’re making sure every inch of Ontario benefits from our investments to support economic growth and protect jobs, including by building infrastructure in rural communities. We want every part of Ontario to be the best place to live, work and raise a family.”

During the Rural Ontario Municipal Association (ROMA) conference, Steve Clark, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, announced that the government is providing more than \$936 million in much-needed funds to municipal service managers and Indigenous program administrators in 2023-24 and 2024-25 through initiatives under the National Housing Strategy to maintain and create more community housing. This includes an increase of over \$23 million in funding under the Canada-Ontario Housing Benefit for women and children fleeing violence. These funds are the result of Ontario’s ongoing advocacy and recent negotiations with the federal government to help ensure our partners in the housing sector have the resources needed to protect, renew and expand community housing across the province.

Minister Clark also announced the province is extending the deadline for implementation projects approved under Intake 3 of the Municipal Modernization Program (MMP) to streamline, digitize and modernize their services, including managing and approving applications for residential developments. Ontario is also extending the deadline for final reports for projects under the Streamline Development Approval Fund.

“Rural communities are the backbone of Ontario’s success and key to the province’s economy,” said Minister Clark. “Our government sees a bright future for rural Ontario with opportunities for growth, enhanced education and training, and increased workforce productivity – all while providing a high quality of life and housing options that Ontario families can afford.”

Lisa Thompson, Minister of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs also announced the launch of a new intake of the Rural Economic Development (RED) program. The RED program supports projects that help increase economic opportunities, create and retain jobs, and support the economic growth and resilience of rural and Indigenous communities. Applications for the new RED intake will be accepted until February 23, 2023. This program aligns with the government’s priorities of removing barriers to investment, opening doors to rural economic development and creating good jobs across the province.

The ROMA conference is an important opportunity for provincial and municipal leaders to discuss and collaborate on rural priorities. This year’s conference was held in-person in Toronto for the first time since 2020, and rural municipal officials had an opportunity to interact face-to-face with Ministers, Associate Ministers and Parliamentary Assistants. They exchanged ideas, discussed opportunities and identified ways to address some of the key priorities facing rural municipalities today, including increasing housing supply, strengthening local infrastructure, tackling homelessness, improving mental health supports, economic development and more.

Quotes

“Rural Ontario has always played an essential role in the prosperity of this province. The Rural Economic Development program provides rural municipalities, Indigenous communities, and not-for-profits with the tools they need for projects that contribute to local economic vitality,” said Minister Thompson. “Going forward our government will continue to build on rural successes.”

“Rural communities and those who call them home are what make Northern Ontario an incredible place to live, work and raise a family,” said Greg Rickford, Minister of Northern Development and Minister of Indigenous Affairs. “Our government is focused on a robust approach to promoting economic development across the North and we are supporting rural businesses as they look to grow their operations and workforces.”

“Rural Ontario is full of untapped potential. ROMA has spent the past two years exploring ways to ensure rural municipalities recover from the pandemic and realize their promise,” said ROMA Chair and Mayor of the Village of Westport, Robin Jones. “We thank the Ontario Government for participating in the ROMA conference and we look forward to partnering to find creative solutions that will strengthen our communities for a more prosperous Ontario where no one is left behind.”

Quick Facts

- The National Housing Strategy (NHS) bilateral agreement between Ontario and Canada provides more than \$5.75 billion over nine years to protect, renew and expand community housing and deliver direct affordability support to Ontarians in need of housing.
 - The Ontario government has invested nearly \$4.4 billion over the past three years to grow and enhance community and supportive housing, respond to COVID-19 and address homelessness for vulnerable Ontarians – including over \$1.2 billion to service managers and Indigenous program administrators through the Social Services Relief Fund.
 - Since 2019, Ontario has committed more than \$17.2 million to fund 308 economic development projects through the RED program.
 - Ontario is providing up to \$28 million through Intake 3 of MMP to support 321 projects led by small and rural municipalities.
 - In January 2022, the province launched the Streamline Development Approval Fund to provide more than \$45 million to help Ontario’s 39 largest municipalities modernize local approval processes for residential developments.
 - Ontario is investing nearly \$4 billion to bring access to reliable high-speed internet to every community across the province by the end of 2025.
 - Ministers, Associate Ministers and Parliamentary Assistants held more than 320 delegation meetings with rural municipalities and municipal organizations at the 2023 ROMA conference.
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NEWS RELEASE

Ontario Expanding Mental Health Services for Children and Youth in Every Corner of the Province

“One Stop Talk” program connects youth to mental health counselling by phone, video, text and chat

January 25, 2023

[Health](#)

WHITBY — The Ontario government is investing \$4.75 million to expand the “One Stop Talk” virtual “walk-in” counselling program to connect children, youth and their families with more convenient and timely ways to access mental health counselling no matter where they live.

“Our government is making it easier and more convenient for children and youth in every corner of the province to access mental health care,” said Sylvia Jones, Deputy Premier and Minister of Health. “This program offers modern, convenient options for youth to connect to help in ways that they’re used to communicating.”

The “One Stop Talk” service offers convenient ways to talk to a clinician by phone, video conference, text and chat without an appointment. The program began as a pilot in November 2022 with six participating mental health organizations and is now being expanded to additional organizations and their waitlisted patients. When fully implemented, the program will eventually be available to all children, youth and their families.

The government is also significantly expanding the number of [Youth Wellness Hubs](#) across the province to make it faster and easier for young people to connect to mental health and substance use support, primary care, social services, and more. Through the [Addictions Recovery Fund](#), the government is adding eight new youth wellness hubs to the 14 that were created since 2020, bringing the total to 22 across the province.

These hubs help fill the gap in youth addictions services and also provide children and youth aged 12 to 25 a range of other services, such as vocational support, education services, housing and recreation and wellness.

“Through our *Roadmap to Wellness*, we are focused on fixing our complicated and disjointed mental health and addictions care system once and for all,” said Michael Tibollo, Associate Minister of Mental Health and Addictions. “Significantly expanding our network of Youth Wellness Hubs is one more way we’re creating a system where Ontarians of all ages have convenient access to the highest-quality mental health and addictions supports, when and where they need them.”

Ontario’s [Roadmap to Wellness](#) plan – the province’s mental health and addictions strategy – has so far provided \$525 million to use innovative solutions to improve the quality and access to mental health supports while shortening wait times and removing gaps in service. The plan is built on four central pillars – improving quality, expanding existing services, implementing innovative solutions and improving access – that are designed to work together to support the delivery of the services people need, where and when they need them.

Quick Facts

- The eight new Youth Wellness Hubs will be in Algoma Region, Kingston Frontenac Lennox and Addington, London-Middlesex, Sagamok Anishnabek First Nation, Sarnia-Lambton, Sudbury, Thorncliffe Park, and West Toronto.
- One of these new Youth Wellness Hubs will be located at Sagamok Anishnabek First Nation and will offer culturally safe and appropriate primary care, mental health and addictions services to Indigenous youth in and around that community
- Ontario’s mental health and addictions strategy, [Roadmap to Wellness](#), was released in March 2020. It sets out a vision for an Ontario where everyone has access to high quality mental health and addictions treatment and support, when and where they need it.
- The [Roadmap](#) was developed from the ground up, based on conversations with Ontarians.
- Once fully implemented, the One Stop Talk service will provide immediate, low barrier access to brief counselling services through a single virtual access point from anywhere in the province.

Quotes

"We recognize that more than ever before, many students face mental health challenges, which is why we are expanding access to care both in Ontario schools and across our communities. By making it easier for children and youth to access mental health services through a 'One Stop Talk' service, our government is investing to increase access to care so that students are healthy and supported while they learn."

- Stephen Lecce
Minister of Education

"Children's Mental Health Ontario is pleased to see this investment in child and youth mental health. Children, youth, and their families are waiting too long to get the supports they need and the expansion of One Stop Talk, designed and driven by community-based child and youth mental health agencies, will play a role in reducing those wait times and improving access to care."

- Tatum Wilson
CEO, Children's Mental Health Ontario

"Millions of Ontarians struggle with their mental health or substance use every year. Investing in improving access to supports is critical – especially for our children and youth. It is also critical that we continue to advance the work of the Roadmap to Wellness. We look forward to continuing to work with the Ontario government to build a comprehensive and connected mental health and addiction system in Ontario."

- Alisha Tharani
CEO, Addictions and Mental Health Ontario

"The walk in, low-barrier services offered through Youth Wellness Hubs are critical in improving Ontario's mental health and addiction services for youth and their families. These additional sites will ensure more young people across the province receive the help and support they need."

- Camille Quenneville
CEO Canadian Mental Health Association, Ontario Division

"We are pleased to be a part of a province-wide, system-level response to meet the mental health crisis. In addition to providing in the moment care, One Stop Talk/Parlons maintenant connects young people to local services when needed. We are excited to scale the program so that young people across the province will benefit, and we thank the Ministry of Health and our Lead Agency Consortium partners for their support in bringing this vision to reality."

- Janet McCrimmon
President and CEO, Strides Toronto

Additional Resources

- [Roadmap to wellness: a plan to build Ontario's mental health and addictions system](#)
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Ontario Connecting Long-Term Care Home Residents to More Diagnostic Services

Two new pilot projects will connect residents with faster, convenient access to diagnostic services

January 31, 2023

[Long-Term Care](#)
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TORONTO — The Ontario government is connecting long-term care residents to faster and convenient access to diagnostic services such as x-rays and ultrasounds. Improved access to care will help improve residents' quality of life and reduce avoidable emergency department visits or hospital stays.

“Ontario is fixing long-term care so that every resident experiences the best possible quality of life, supported by safe, high-quality care,” said Paul Calandra, Minister of Long-Term Care. “By providing faster and more convenient access to diagnostic services, we will reduce the number of avoidable emergency department visits and in-patient hospital admissions, helping long-term care residents live happier and healthier lives.”

To start, the province is partnering on pilot projects with Humber River Hospital in Toronto and Royal Victoria Regional Health Centre in Barrie to increase access to more diagnostic services for long-term care residents, including assessment, diagnostic testing and timely interpretation of their results.

Enhanced services offered through Humber River Hospital will include:

- Increasing the number of hours for pre-booked appointments for x-ray and ultrasound services;
- Non-urgent resident transport for x-ray and ultrasound services at Humber River Hospital; and
- Increasing the number of hours a long-term care home can connect with a nurse navigator that supports long-term care homes with needs assessments and coordinating with other health care teams.

Enhanced services offered through the Royal Victoria Regional Health Centre will include:

- Increasing access to x-ray services for long-term care residents who fall and require a non-urgent x-ray;
- Access to a nurse navigator at the hospital to support the long-term care resident to navigate services; and
- Non-urgent resident transport for x-ray services at Royal Victoria Regional Health Centre.

As a next step, the province will work with partners such as hospitals and community labs on a broader provincial plan to provide faster and more convenient access to care for all long-term care residents across Ontario. This may include finding creative and innovative ways to connect residents with services inside their long-term care home, instead of travelling to a hospital or clinic.

“Our government believes in the importance of being able to connect to high-quality care that people expect, closer to home,” said Sylvia Jones, Deputy Premier and Minister of Health. “These investments will ensure long-term care residents can maintain their quality of life, spend more time in their community with loved ones, and avoid unnecessary trips to the hospital.”

As part of its plan to fix long-term care, the province is also making significant investments in specialized services for residents with complex needs, building nearly 60,000 much-needed new and upgraded long-term care beds in the province by 2028, and strengthening staffing to reach our legislated goal of providing an average of four hours of direct care per resident per day by 2025.

Quick Facts

- The province will initially invest \$350,000 and \$1,875,000 annually over the next two years in the two initiatives announced today.
- The Ontario government is making significant investments in specialized services and supports for long-term care residents with complex needs like bariatric, behavioural and dialysis, so they can get the care they need while avoiding unnecessary hospitalization. This includes a \$20 million investment in 2022-23 for a new Long-Term Care Local Priorities Fund to be administered by Ontario Health, an additional \$5 million for Behavioural Supports Ontario (BSO), \$2.6 million for the Baycrest Virtual Behaviour Medicine program, \$4.5 million in one-time funding for [a new, 56-unit, mixed-market seniors' housing complex](#) in Kenora, and \$5.91 million to [create four new Behavioural Specialized Units](#) at long-term care homes in Ajax, Penetanguishene and Scarborough.

- Through a \$6.4 billion investment, Ontario has 31,705 new and 28,648 upgraded beds in the planning, construction and opening stages of the development process. This will help increase overall bed capacity, address long-term care waitlists and hallway health care, and provide our seniors the care they deserve.

Quotes

"Humber River Hospital is pleased to partner with our area long-term care homes to provide faster, more direct access to long-term care residents who need x-rays and ultrasounds. This is a true win for all – a win for long-term care homes and a win for hospitals."

- Barb Collins
President & CEO of Humber River Hospital

"This partnership is critical to ensuring residents in our area long-term care homes are getting the care they need in a timely manner. We are proud to work with our partners at the County of Simcoe and with area long-term care homes to eliminate unnecessary visits to our emergency department. By getting these vulnerable patients access to diagnostic imaging studies in a more streamlined manner, we are able to provide a better patient experience for long-term care residents in our region."

- Nancy Savage
RVH Executive Vice President and Clinical & Regional Vice President,
Ontario Health (Cancer Care Ontario)

Additional Resources

- [*A Better Place to Live, A Better Place to Work: Ontario's Long-Term Care Staffing Plan.*](#)
- [*Providing More Care, Protecting Seniors and Building More Beds Act Receives Royal Assent*](#)

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Warden Peter Emon acclaimed as EOWC chair for 2023

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Renfrew County Warden Peter Emon (left) and Peterborough County Warden Bonnie Clark were acclaimed as chair and vice-chair respectively of the Eastern Ontario Wardens' Caucus for 2023 during the organization's inaugural meeting in Kingston.

EOWC Appoints 2023 Chair and Vice-Chair

EASTERN ONTARIO - The Eastern Ontario Wardens' Caucus (EOWC), during its annual inaugural meeting on January 12 and 13, appointed Renfrew County Warden Peter Emon to serve as the Chair and Peterborough County Warden Bonnie Clark to serve as the Vice-Chair for 2023, both by acclamation.

"It is an honour to sit on the Caucus once again and be appointed as the 2023 Chair," said Chair Emon. "The EOWC has a strong track record of working together effectively on behalf of rural eastern Ontario and its communities. I look forward to the year ahead where we will continue to advance the region's priorities."

Chair Emon was born and raised in the Ottawa Valley, went to Calabogie Elementary School, attended Renfrew Collegiate Institute and graduated from University of Windsor with a Bachelor's Degree in Social Work. He is active in his community as the Warden for Renfrew County and the Reeve of the Town of Renfrew. Previously he was the Mayor of

Greater Madawaska Township. For over two decades Chair Emon has served his communities with a focus on people and economic development.

Vice-Chair Clark noted she already sees the impressive value that the EOWC brings to the table on behalf of municipalities and their residents.

"I look forward to using my experience to champion EOWC's priorities alongside Chair Emon, our caucus colleagues and staff," she said.

Vice-Chair Clark took office as the Warden of Peterborough County in December 2022. Her career in public service began more than 20 years ago as a Township Councillor for then Otonabee Township. She has served as Deputy Mayor of the amalgamated Otonabee-South Monaghan Township and as a member of County Council since 2018. She has previously served as Chair of the Otonabee Region Conservation Authority and Peterborough Housing Corporation. Vice-Chair Clark is part of a proud farming family. She made her career in the healthcare industry as a registered nurse for 28 years. Vice-Chair Clark seeks to encourage collaboration with public, private and community organizations for the benefit of all people.

EOWC hosts Federal and Provincial Members of Parliament

During the inaugural meeting, the EOWC met with Members of Federal and Provincial Parliament from across eastern Ontario, as well as the Ontario Government's Associate Minister of Housing, to discuss joint priorities around housing and the EOWC's '7 in 7' regional housing plan, broadband and economic development, among others.

EOWC Priorities

For the purposes of good continuity, the EOWC will stay the course of its 2022 priorities for the initial months of 2023. This will inform advocacy during EOWC's delegation meetings at the 2023 Rural Ontario Municipal Association (ROMA) Conference, being held on Sunday, January 22 to Tuesday, January 24, 2023 in the City of Toronto.

The Caucus will re-evaluate its strategic plan and priorities during the priority-setting EOWC meeting held in March 2023, as it has done in the past.

The EOWC's priorities heading into 2023 include:

- Attainable and affordable housing
- Health care human resources
- Ontario Health Team's governance and structure

About the EOWC

The EOWC is a non-profit organization comprised of the Heads of Council of 13 upper and single-tier municipalities across rural eastern Ontario. The Caucus supports and advocates on behalf of 103 municipalities and approximately 800,000 residents. The EOWC covers an area of nearly 50,000 square kilometres from Northumberland County to the Québec border. The EOWC has gained support and momentum by speaking with a united voice to champion regional municipal priorities and work with government,

business leaders, media, and the public. For more information, visit EOWC's website at www.eowc.org or Twitter account at @EOWC_ON.

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Three-time Olympian Melissa Bishop-Nriagu named Ontario Winter Games Ambassador

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Three-time Olympian and Eganville native Melissa Bishop-Nriagu is the Games Ambassador for the Renfrew County 2023 Ontario Winter Games. She is speaking at both Opening Ceremonies for the Games (February 2 and 9 at Ma-te-Way Park, Renfrew). Here she is showing off her Ontario Winter Games merchandise.

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Renfrew County's own Melissa Bishop-Nriagu has been named the Ambassador for the Renfrew County 2023 Ontario Winter Games as she aims to inspire the next generation of local athletes.

Born and raised in the Ottawa Valley, Bishop-Nriagu hails from Eganville and is a three-time Olympian in Track and Field in the 800-metre event. She competed at the 2012, 2016 (finishing fourth) and 2020 Summer Olympics and won a silver medal at the 2015 World Championships. The silver medal win was the first ever medal in the 800m by a Canadian woman and she currently holds the Canadian record in the 800m.

Bishop-Nriagu graduated from the University of Windsor with degrees in Human Kinetics and Education. She also competed in the Ontario Summer Games in 2009 and knows first-hand the excitement, development and fun to be had over the course of these Games.

The three-time Olympian will be addressing the athletes during both outdoor Opening Ceremonies February 2 and February 9 at Ma-te-Way Park in Renfrew. Her message to the athletes at the Games is to compete well, but also to have fun with a smile on their faces and to create memories that will last a lifetime.

"I am so thrilled our community gets to host the Ontario Winter Games this year, growing up I had no idea that I would be a role model in my community but as I take on this role, I understand how important it is for our youth to see that anybody can make it on the world stage," said Bishop-Nriagu. "You too can have big dreams, come from a small community, like Renfrew County, and make it. Just remember to be ambitious and be persistent with what your dreams are."

Renfrew County Warden Peter Emon, Chair of the Games Organizing Committee, is extremely excited to have Bishop-Nriagu serve as the 2023 Ontario Winter Games Ambassador.

"Melissa has such a compelling story of dedication and hard work which will resonate with many of our young athletes coming to Renfrew County and with our friends, families and neighbours," said Emon. "Her success as an athlete and her genuineness as a person has been an ongoing point of community and individual pride for many of us."

Emon believes Bishop-Nriagu is an excellent example of the Ontario Winter Games' values.

"Every day Melissa has exemplified our Games' values of respect, integrity, teamwork, responsibility, accountability and excellence as a successful high-performance athlete, as a student and as a person," said Emon.

The Ontario Winter Games are coming to Renfrew County from February 2-5 and February 9-12, 2023. The Games will feature 2,200 young athletes competing in 22 different sports at venues across Renfrew County and into Kanata. The event will be run with the help of more than 750 volunteers.

Please visit the Ontario Winter Games Social Media channels for a number of special messages from Bishop-Nriagu as the Ontario Winter Games Ambassador.

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Snowboard withdraws from Renfrew County 2023 Ontario Winter Games

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January 25, 2023

The Provincial Sport Organization for Snowboard has withdrawn from the Renfrew County 2023 Ontario Winter Games.

Unfortunately, the Snowboard venue for Ontario Winter Games, Calabogie Peaks Ski Resort, experienced a fire on January 3 which destroyed the pump house and damaged snow making equipment beyond immediate repair.

While the venue operator has been working on a variety of solutions, Games Ontario and the Games Organizing Committee were notified January 19 that replacement parts would not arrive and be operational on time to guarantee a quality course could be constructed in time for the Games.

"This is really unfortunate for these athletes, but circumstances are out of our control," said Games Manager Cindy Burwell. "We regret this outcome and will be communicating further in the coming weeks about a plan to award Ontario Winter Games medals at alternate snowboard events later this season."

The third day of the Alpine competition, taking place at Calabogie Peaks the second weekend of the Games, has also been cancelled.

The Renfrew County 2023 Ontario Winter Games are being hosted by the County of Renfrew February 2-5 and February 9-12. The Games will feature 22 different sports with approximately 2,300 athletes ranging in age from 11-20, participating in both able-bodied and para-sports.

Hundreds of volunteers are required to make these Games a success. There are still volunteer opportunities, with more information and volunteer registration available at www.renfrewcounty2023.ca.

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Ontario Winter Games release details about medals

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The gold, silver and bronze medals that Ontario athletes will earn at the Ontario Winter Games were designed by Renfrew County resident Erin Mask.

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January 30, 2023

Medal winners at the Renfrew County 2023 Ontario Winter Games will be going home with a little piece of Renfrew County.

The Games medals were inspired by the forestry industry, which is a key part of the heritage of Renfrew County and a major player in the local economy.

"We are really pleased with the medals, which were handcrafted by an independent jeweller and are inspired by the forests of our region, while reinforcing the important values of the Games," said Cindy Burwell, Games Manager.

The medals were designed by Erin Mask, a graphic artist from Madawaska Valley, with the Ontario Winter Games logo and coniferous trees, indigenous to our area, on the front of the medals and the County of Renfrew logo and the Games' Values on the back. The medals were fabricated by a small Ontario jeweller, Personal Illusion Jewelers.

"I would say that the clean, simple image of the trees on the front of the medal represents, to me, the best our area has to offer – industry, space, beauty and abundant opportunities to enjoy the great outdoors," said Mask. "We are privileged to live here."

Mask's family moved from Toronto to Barry's Bay when she was just eight years old, after they visited a cottage on Kaministiquia Lake for a few summers and decided to trade the city life in for the rural beauty and pace of the Madawaska Valley. She went to George Brown College for Graphic Design and Advertising, returned to the Madawaska Valley and came back to the Valley to raise her family 12 years later. She works full time with the Renfrew County District School board and does freelance graphic design work on the side.

"I hope the medals remind the visiting athletes of their great accomplishments here in Renfrew County surrounded by vast beauty and opportunities that will draw them back to visit often," added Mask. "I am thankful for the opportunity to contribute to this great event!"

The medal ribbon colours also have special meaning; on the gold medal is red which represents "inspiration" and Team Ontario's official colour; the silver medal ribbon is blue, which represents "community" and green ribbon for the bronze medal represents "opportunity".

An important part of these Renfrew County Games are the Games' Values, sponsored by Canadian Nuclear Laboratories (CNL). CNL has long served as a major employer in Renfrew County, and as a trusted and reliable partner to local communities and businesses. The Games have adopted CNL's core values and seek to abide by these values and share them with all participants. The six core values encompass the back of the medal, surrounding the Renfrew County logo in the centre: Safety, Integrity, Respect, Teamwork, Accountability and Excellence.

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The Ontario Winter Games gold medal is pictured with a pile of lumber behind it, the medals' design incorporates the forestry industry, which is a key part of the history of Renfrew County.

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County of Renfrew seeking partners on Rapid Housing Initiative

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The County of Renfrew is looking for partners on a new housing funding initiative.

The Rapid Housing Initiative is funded through the Federal Government's National Housing Strategy and is delivered by the Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation. This initiative can provide funding to support new affordable housing construction or the conversion of non-residential land and buildings to affordable housing.

The County of Renfrew is promoting the Rapid Housing Initiative to seek expressions of interest from non-profit organizations or developers who may be interested in partnering with the County to apply for Rapid Housing Initiative funding.

Anyone interested in this program is asked to submit their organization's or company's expression of interest by emailing the [manager of Housing and Homelessness](#) by February 10, 2023.

More information about the program can be found at <https://bit.ly/3ZO0jRE>.

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2022 Warden's Community Service Awards presented

Posted on Friday, January 27, 2023



Darrel O'Shaughnessy of Arnprior was recognized as the winner of the individual category of the Warden's Community Services Awards. Taking part in the award presentation (from left) were County Councillor Dan Lynch, Town of Arnprior; Betty O'Shaughnessy; Darrel O'Shaughnessy; Renfrew County Warden Peter Emon and County Councillor Mark MacKenzie, Township of McNab/Braeside.

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January 27, 2023

The County of Renfrew presented the 2022 Warden's Community Service Awards, recognizing an individual, not-for-profit sector and for-profit business at the January 25, 2023 session of County Council. These awards are a meaningful way to recognize and thank the recipients for their numerous community contributions.

The recipient of the individual award was Darrel O'Shaughnessy of Arnprior, the Eganville Leader was honoured in the business category and the Ottawa Valley Cycling and Active Transportation Alliance (OVCATA) was recognized in the not-for-profit category.

Mr. O'Shaughnessy, a lifelong volunteer and constant force for positive change in the Greater Arnprior community, was nominated by Arnprior Mayor Lisa McGee.

Over the years, Mr. O'Shaughnessy has brought his passion for volunteerism and tremendous leadership to various causes including the Arnprior Dragon Boat Club, Greater Arnprior Seniors Council, Seniors Active Living Centre, Men's Shed and the Town's Corporate Services Advisory Committee, among many others.

The Eganville Leader was nominated by William Enright, who highlighted the newspaper's positive impact on the community through various fundraising efforts. Most recently, Eganville Leader publisher Gerald Tracey and a team of volunteers organized an event in June 2022 to celebrate the 120th anniversary of the newspaper which served as a fundraiser for the Ukraine. The event raised \$110,000; \$80,000 of which was presented to the Ukrainian Ambassador to be forwarded to UNITED24, an initiative started by President Volodymyr Zelenskyy of Ukraine to assist with needs in the country, with the remaining \$30,000 staying in Renfrew County to assist Ukrainian refugees fleeing the war who have settled in the County.



The Eganville Leader was honoured with the Warden's Community Service Award in the business category for organizing a fundraiser for Ukraine last summer. Taking part in the award presentation (from left) were fundraiser organizing committee members Zig Mintha, Tetyana Moiseyeva, Renfrew County Warden Peter Emon, Eganville Leader Publisher Gerald Tracey and William Enright, who prepared the award nomination.

OVCATA, a volunteer group providing a voice for cyclists and all active transportation enthusiasts in the Ottawa Valley advocating for safe and good conditions, bringing people together and encouraging participation, was nominated by Gerry Morris of Pembroke and McNab/Braeside Deputy Mayor Lori Hoddinott.

In 2022, OVCATA made a big impact with some big activities – the Trail Town Relay, the Tour de Bonnechere, the Tour de Whitewater, and its own unique Bike Bank of Renfrew County. Volunteers from across Renfrew County collected, refurbished and distributed 44 bikes to local residents who needed them during the second year of operation for the Bike Bank.

Following the presentation of the awards, Renfrew County Warden Peter Emon congratulated the recipients and thanked them for their numerous contributions which help improve and strengthen the quality of life we all enjoy in the Ottawa Valley

"We have some very generous people who have donated time, thought and effort to improving our communities. We are very fortunate to have them working with us and for us on different initiatives across Renfrew County," he said.

Renfrew-Nipissing-Pembroke MPP John Yakabuski also attended the Warden's Community Service Awards, speaking about the contributions of the recipients and presenting them with certificates of appreciation.



The Ottawa Valley Cycling and Active Transportation Alliance (OVCATA) was recognized with the Warden's Community Service Award in the not-for-profit category. Taking part in the award presentation were (front from left) County Councillor Keith Watt, OVCATA members Bob Peltzer, Andy Kalnins and Debbie Macdonald, Renfrew County Warden Peter Emon, OVCATA cochair Ron Moss, County Councillor Debbi Grills, former County Councillor Bob Sweet and (back from left) County Councillors Gary Serviss, Rob Weir, Dan Lynch and Michael Donohue.

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A Call for Provincial Action on Property Assessments

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Property assessments are typically updated every four years. This process was paused during the height of the pandemic to help municipal governments focus on responding to COVID-19.

Through recent correspondence and engagement with the Ministry of Finance, AMO has expressed very strong support for a timely return to the assessment cycle.

The province's latest economic statement was silent on the assessment cycle, leaving the sector eager to understand the government's intentions regarding the 2024 tax year and beyond.

With the ROMA conference now just over a week away, AMO continues to call on the government for urgent action. We encourage members to re-iterate the following messages to their local MPPs and during discussions with the province at ROMA:

- Municipal governments recognize how important it was to pause the planned 2020 reassessment during the height of the pandemic.
- Municipalities are now eager to hear that the government will authorize the reassessment without further delay and in time for the 2024 tax year.
- Municipalities and property taxpayers understand the necessity of a modern, up-to-date, and reliable assessment system.
- The system provides stability and predictability for municipalities and for residential and commercial property taxpayers.
- A well-functioning, up-to-date assessment system is the foundation of the municipal tax system that supports strong, vibrant, and growing communities.

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ROMA 2023 Conference

Over the past three days, more than 1500 delegates from across Ontario gathered at the first in-person Rural Ontario Municipal Association (ROMA) conference since 2020. The conference is an important annual event in Ontario's public policy calendar.

Housing and infrastructure remain at the forefront of the provincial-municipal relationship and featured prominently at the conference:

- ROMA chair Robin Jones highlighted the need for provincial-municipal collaboration, and a plan that goes beyond municipal planning and approvals to focus on expanding municipal infrastructure and services and removing provincial policy barriers.
- AMO President Colin Best called for the province to fully offset financial impacts of Bill 23 on municipalities, work in partnership with municipalities, and course correct where necessary.
- Premier Doug Ford and Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing Steve Clark spoke to the importance of working collaboratively with municipalities to build affordable housing and acknowledged the need for investments in municipal infrastructure. Minister Clark signaled an openness to innovative solutions from municipalities to implement Bill 23 and inform future legislation.

Municipal representatives highlighted the need for urgent provincial action on homelessness as part of the housing crisis:

- A commitment to improving mental health and addictions services and expanding community and supportive housing was highlighted both by a mainstage panel on rural housing and homelessness, to be broadcast on TVO's The Agenda, and by Minister of Health Sylvia Jones as part of the Ministers' Forum.
- Minister Clark announced Ontario's 2023-24 and 2024-25 allocation under the federal-provincial National Housing Strategy, totalling \$936 million. This includes an additional allocation of \$23 million for the Canada-Ontario Housing Benefit.

Other areas of focus included property assessment, Indigenous relations, energy, waste management, and railway crossings and drainage:

- AMO President Colin Best highlighted the need to proceed with re-assessment to ensure a stable and predictable property tax system.
- Mississaugas of the Credit Chief Stacey Laforme, former ROMA Chair and mayor Allan Thompson, and Indigenous advocate and broadcaster Jesse Wentle all talked about the role of truth and reconciliation at the municipal level.
- Minister of Energy Todd Smith, the Independent Electricity System Operator and others highlighted the critical role of municipal councils in the future of Ontario's energy system, and the need for them to be informed and prepared.
- Minister of Environment, Conservation and Parks David Piccini highlighted the need for an on-schedule Blue Box transition to full producer responsibility.
- Minister of Agriculture and Rural Affairs Lisa Thompson and Minister Clark recognized the impact on municipalities of railways failing to pay for crossing and drainage costs and committed to action.

Intake Open for New Projects Through Disaster Mitigation and Adaptation Fund

The Government of Canada is accepting applications until July 19, 2023 for new construction and infrastructure projects through the Disaster Mitigation and Adaptation Fund.

Eligible projects must have a minimum total cost of \$1 million and include new public infrastructure or the modification of existing public infrastructure that will help communities withstand natural disasters and climate-related risks.

Municipal, local, provincial or territory governments, public sector bodies, Indigenous organizations, not-for-profits or for-profit organizations in partnership with eligible applicants outside the private sector are all eligible to apply for the more than \$1 billion available in the fund for eligible projects.

AMO has been advocating for an extension of the fund on behalf of Ontario municipalities and is pleased to see the new intake open. Interested applicants can click [here](#) for more information.

New Rural Economic Development Program Intake Now Open

On January 23, 2023, the Minister of OMAFRA announced the next intake of the Rural Economic Development program is open until February 23, 2023. For more information click [here](#).

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AMO Matters

AMO is soliciting applications to fill seven Caucus vacancies on the AMO Board of Directors; positions for elected officials and municipal employees are open. Application package can be found [here](#). Deadline: February 10, 2023.

A complete list of AMO's responses to environmental and regulatory postings to the *More Homes Built Faster Plan* are posted [here](#).

Provincial Matters

Apply between January 11 - March 6 for Seniors Community Grants to support the delivery of programs and learning opportunities for seniors. Applications will be accepted through the [Transfer Payment Ontario](#) site.

Eye on Events

AMO's Foundations in Planning and Deeper Dive training prepares elected officials in understanding planning concepts and requirements as well making strategic decisions on the complex issues you will face over the coming term. Register [here](#) and [here](#).

AMO training examines the realities, responsibilities, challenges and opportunities of municipally elected officials in today's context. Essential information on legislation, policy, roles, responsibilities and managing relationships are only some of the things attendees will gain insight and tools on. Register today for [New Councillor training](#).

Following on the success of the 2022 Symposium, this in-person event will once again bring information and insight to all the energy issues on your mind. Information on the location of the Symposium, registration and how to submit a proposal to present is coming soon.

Navigating Conflict for Elected Officials training is an opportunity to gain skills in building collaborative relationships and negotiating difficult ones in your role as an elected municipal official. This virtual, interactive workshop, explores the constructs,

traps and pitfalls of conflict relationships, why relationships may go wrong and how to approach, plan and execute relationships successfully using practical tips, tools and real-world examples. [Register here](#). Space is limited.

Join AMO and our partner of a barrier free web solution, [GHD Digital](#), for a [webinar on January 26](#) at noon to see Govstack, the newest content management system for your municipal website. Learn about the exclusive AMO offer, key features and capabilities of the new platform, and get an understanding of why Govstack is your best move in digital transformation.

LAS

In 2022, global industries were forced to adapt and respond to emerging risks and disasters. [Read our latest blog](#) to learn how your municipality can be more resilient in 2023.

Canoe now offers commercial kitchen equipment! We're pleased to welcome [Bargreen Ellingson](#) who can supply a wide range of supplies and equipment to help your kitchens operate efficiently and effectively. [Contact Simon](#) to learn more.

[Grainger](#) is one of the most popular suppliers in Ontario under the Canoe program. Join us to hear about their newly updated contract. [Contact Tanner](#) for an invitation.

Municipal Wire*

The Township of Lucan, Ontario won the Kraft Hockeyville competition in 2018. The grand prize winner will have an opportunity to host an NHL preseason game and receive \$250,000 for arena upgrades. Each Second Prize includes \$25,000 toward Arena upgrades. To submit a nomination visit the [Kraft Hockeyville website](#).

Careers

[Board Coordinator - ONE Investment](#). Provides legislative support to facilitate effective and efficient operations of ONE's Boards and Committees and prepares and distributes meeting notices, agendas, reports; takes and prepares minutes for both public and closed meetings. Deadline: 4:00 PM February 17. Email applications to: careers@amo.on.ca.

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- New dates available for AMO's Navigating Conflict for Elected Officials training.
- Webinar: A Barrier Free Website Builder for Municipalities.
- 4 easy steps to use Canoe through LAS.
- LAS spring webinars are just around the corner!
- AdvantAge Ontario Long-Term Care webinar for councillors.
- Careers: ONE, MOT, Hamilton, HCRA, Ombudsman Ontario, Ajax, and Kingston.

AMO Matters

AMO is soliciting applications to fill seven Caucus vacancies on the AMO Board of Directors; positions for elected officials and municipal employees are open. Application package can be found [here](#). Deadline: February 10, 2023.

Provincial Matters

Apply between January 11 - March 6 for Seniors Community Grants to support the delivery of programs and learning opportunities for seniors. Applications will be accepted through the [Transfer Payment Ontario](#) site.

Since June 2021, MTO has been piloting golf cars in Huron-Kinloss and Pelee Island. It is now exploring expansion and offering municipal [consultation](#) on February 1.

The Ministry of Transportaion has published a new [Transit Technology Toolkit](#) for small and medium sized municipalities, indigenous communities, and transit systems. The kit helps communities to navigate new transit technologies. For more information, contact: mto.smart.mobility@ontario.ca.

A new intake for Rural Economic Development (RED) funding is open until February 23. For more information, click [here](#).

The Streamline Development Approval Fund deadline has been extended from February 28 to November 1, 2023. Contact municipal.programs@ontario.ca with any questions.

The deadline for implementation of projects approved under Intake 3 of the Municipal Modernization Program has been extended to December 1, 2023.

Eye on Events

AMO's Foundations in Planning and Deeper Dive training prepares elected officials in understanding planning concepts and requirements as well making strategic decisions on the complex issues you will face over the coming term. Register [here](#) and [here](#).

AMO training examines the realities, responsibilities, challenges and opportunities of municipally elected officials in today's context. Essential information on legislation, policy, roles, responsibilities and managing relationships are only some of the things attendees will gain insight and tools on. Register today for [New Councillor training](#).

Following on the success of the 2022 Symposium, this in-person event will once again bring information and insight to all the energy issues on your mind. Information on the location of the Symposium, registration and how to submit a proposal to present is coming soon.

Navigating Conflict for Elected Officials training is an opportunity to gain skills in building collaborative relationships and negotiating difficult ones in your role as an elected municipal official. This virtual, interactive workshop, explores the constructs, traps and pitfalls of conflict relationships, why relationships may go wrong and how to approach, plan and execute relationships successfully using practical tips, tools and real-world examples. [Register here](#). Space is limited.

Join AMO and our partner of a barrier free web solution, [GHD Digital](#), for a webinar on [January 26 at noon](#) to see Govstack, the newest content management system for your municipal website. Learn about the exclusive AMO offer, key features and capabilities of the new platform, and get an understanding of why Govstack is your best move in digital transformation.

LAS

In just 4 easy steps, you can use Canoe Procurement Group to buy your everyday items: (1) Make sure your purchasing by-laws allow for group buying. (2) Post a [Notice of Participation](#) on your website. (3) Send in your [opt-in form](#). (4) Contact any of the [many vendors](#) and mention you want to buy through Canoe! Still got questions? Contact [Tanner Watt](#) for more info.

LAS' Spring webinar series kicks off next week with an informative session on net zero arenas with Canoe vendor Cimco. [Check out our events page](#) to register for this and other informative webinars - covering exciting topics from organic waste processing to electric vehicles. You won't want to miss these!

Municipal Wire*

[Registration](#) is open for AdvantAge Ontario's free Long-Term Care orientation webinar for municipal councillors. The webinar will be February 15 from 12-1pm. A [brief](#) on municipalities and LTC is also available.

Careers

[Board Coordinator - ONE Investment](#). Provides legislative support to facilitate effective operations of ONE's Boards and Committees and prepares and distributes meeting notices, agendas, reports; takes and prepares minutes for both public and closed meetings. Deadline: 4:00 PM February 17. Email applications to: careers@amo.on.ca.

[Team Lead - Ministry of Transportation](#). Oversees the Agency Relations Team, which provides strategic communications support on items related to the Ministry's agencies. [Apply online](#), only, by February 10, entering Job ID 193218.

[Manager, Partner and Relationships Office - Ministry of Transportation](#). Lead a team who provide strategic guidance, and engagement advice to support fostering

meaningful relationships with Indigenous communities. [Apply online](#), only, quoting Job ID 187566, by February 6.

Financial Analyst - Township of Hamilton. Responsible for accounting duties, asset management, customer service, and internal control analysis. Forward a PDF copy of cover letter and resume (1 document) to the attention of the Human Resources Department at hr@hamiltontownship.ca by February 3.

General Counsel - Home Construction Regulatory Authority. Provide support to the Board of Directors to uphold governance framework while ensuring compliance with statutory and regulatory requirements. Apply to hmekonen@bipocsearch.com by February 20.

Early Resolution Officers / Agent(e)s de règlement préventif - Ombudsman Ontario. Triage and analyze complaints to clearly identify and frame issues, and determine how to resolve them or when to escalate them. [Apply online](#) by January 27.

Investigators / Enquêteur(euse) - Ombudsman Ontario. Accountable for investigations from inception to completion, which includes identifying issues, interviewing witnesses, and gathering and analyzing information. [Apply online](#) by January 27.

Planning Clerk - Town of Ajax. Responsible for customer service and administrative support to the Planning Section. [Apply online](#) by January 27.

Supervisor, Public Works - Roads - City of Kingston. Responsible for the prioritization of work assignments, condition assessments, site inspections, asset management, and financial management tasks. [Apply online](#) by February 7.

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"Optimal Health for All in Renfrew County and District"

For Immediate Release

(Pembroke, Ontario, 11:50 a.m., January 23, 2023)

Canada's New Guidance on Alcohol and Health

On Tuesday, January 17, the Canadian Centre on Substance Use and Addiction (CCSA) released *Canada's Guidance on Alcohol and Health*, replacing the 2011 *Low-Risk Alcohol Drinking Guidelines* (LRDGs).

Canada's Guidance on Alcohol and Health is based on a scale showing a greater risk of harm with the more alcohol that a person consumes. The new guidance states that consuming more than 2 standard drinks per occasion is associated with an increased risk of alcohol-related harms to oneself and others. It is a decrease in low-risk consumption from the previous LRDGs.

"The main take-away from the new guidelines is that less is better," states Dr. Ian Gemmill, Acting Medical Officer of Health, Renfrew County and District Health Unit.

Key points from the guidance include:

- **0 drinks per week** – Not drinking has benefits, such as better health and better sleep.
- **2 standard drinks or less per week** – People are likely to avoid alcohol-related consequences for oneself or others at this level.
- **3 to 6 standard drinks per week** – The risk of developing several types of cancer, including breast and colon cancer, increases at this level.
- **7 standard drink or more per week** – The risk of heart disease or stroke increases significantly at this level.
- **Each additional standard drink** – Radically increases the risk of alcohol-related consequences.

A standard drink means:

- 341 ml or 12 oz of **beer** at 5% alcohol,
- 341 ml or 12 oz of **cooler, cider, or ready-to-drink, drinks** at 5% alcohol,
- 142 ml or 5 oz of **wine** at 12% alcohol, or
- 43 ml or 1.5 oz of **spirits** (such as whisky, vodka, gin, etc.) at 40% alcohol.

For more information visit <https://ccsa.ca/canadas-guidance-alcohol-and-health#canada-s-guidance-on-alcohol-and-health> and www.rcdhu.com.

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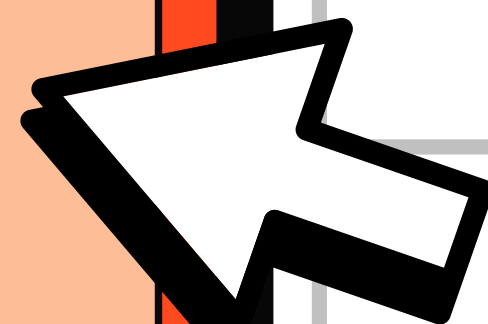


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Arnprior Public Library Newsletter Winter 2023

2023 will mark the next milestone in the library's 128 year history. Renovations will be completed by spring providing both indoor and outdoor programming space. We are looking forward to recreating our lower level study spaces by March. We're also eagerly anticipating full access to the Science Fiction and French collections in advance of the main level expansion being completed.



2022 was a busy year as circulation has returned to pre-pandemic levels. We've listed our Top Reads on our [website](#).



We invite you to explore library gems with our annual Blind Date with a Book event. Select your read based on a single clue, complete the ballot and your name is entered in a draw for O'Brien Theatre movie passes for a genuine date night. The deadline to enter is mid March, so stop by and enter often!



If you're one of the 1,200 NEW members who signed up for a library card in 2022, then you'll want to explore all our resources. Your membership offers all sorts of free resources to help you save money. Museum passes allow a family of 5 to enjoy the national museums in Ottawa and all you pay for is the parking! Check out the details on our [website](#).

If you enjoy reading magazines, there are more than 40 subscriptions available in the library to check out for a week loan. We also offer more than 4,000 digital magazines available through the Libby App. An amazing [selection awaits](#). For our avid OverDrive users, please be reminded that the OverDrive platform is being completely replaced by the Libby App. It's the same content, just a new service model. Let us know if you need assistance. 613-623-2279

We also offer free streaming services include [Kanopy and Hoopla](#) - the later also offers eBooks and eAudio books. Explore all the options through our virtual library. If you need a little guidance, request a [free tutorial](#)!



One of our new electronic services is Book Chat. It's available through Novelist which is also linked to our catalogue. We've created a handy guideline you can download from our [website](#).

Looking ahead . . .

We're looking at facilitating the creation of a [Friday Afternoon Bridge Club](#). Let us know if you're interested (all skill levels welcome) and we'll be in touch when there's enough interest.

We're excited to be offering some new items for circulation very soon. Check our website in the next few weeks to borrow portable WiFi (yes you will be able to sign out the internet!); CO2 monitors, and Radon Detectors.

Also in the planning stages - A regular *Meet and Greet* for new residents. We're looking at themed events to help us get to know one another! Stay tuned!



In the meantime, make sure to stop by the Pop-Up Art Display. The next exhibit is scheduled to be installed in early February. We're also planning various exhibits in our lower level Art Corridor. If you're interested in displaying your work in this space, send us an [email!](#)

Kids Corner

We've got a great lineup of youth programs beginning in February with plans for a fantastic March Break! [Registration](#) for various after school programs is now open on our website. All programs are free and require a current library card to sign up.

We also offer three weekly drop in programs (no registration—just bring your smiles!)



LEGO Lounge (for children 5+ to attend independently; 3 & 4 year olds with an adult) is offered Tuesdays from 3:45—4:45 starting February 7th. Participants can create using the library's extensive LEGO collection and then have their creation displayed in the library. Library membership is required.

Wednesday afternoon Bonjour mes amis, bonjour French Family Storytime is back with Madame White beginning February 1st from 3:45—4:45pm. Enjoy

stories and songs and the French Language. No registration required.

Friday morning drop in story times for toddlers and preschoolers resume on February 3rd. Toddlers (with a parent or caregiver from 10-10:30; preschoolers attend independently from 11-11:30am



Plans are well underway for an action packed March Break. Highlights include a Circus Workshop for 5—12 year olds; a Valley Nostalgia Gaming Night; Yoga for kids aged 7 & up; a visit from the Zoo Crew; a nature walk led by Michael Runtz and a Magic & Munchies Night for Teens with Nathaniel Rankin. A potato-themed story time will be offered on the afternoon of St. Patrick's Day and self directed crafts will be available a couple of times during the break. Registration will begin on February 13th so check that your child's library membership is current prior to that date to ensure successful registration.



All youth programming is offered free with the support of the Scharf Family Charitable Trust.

We wish to acknowledge and thank all our donors for their generous and ongoing support. Every dollar collected (from the circulation desk 'fishbowl' to our [Canada Helps](https://static-promote.weebly.com/share/2d31ab67-da9b-42ee-8663-12c543e23c10) portal to major bequests) is used for the directed purpose.

Donations of \$10 or more are eligible for a charitable tax receipt.

Thank you!

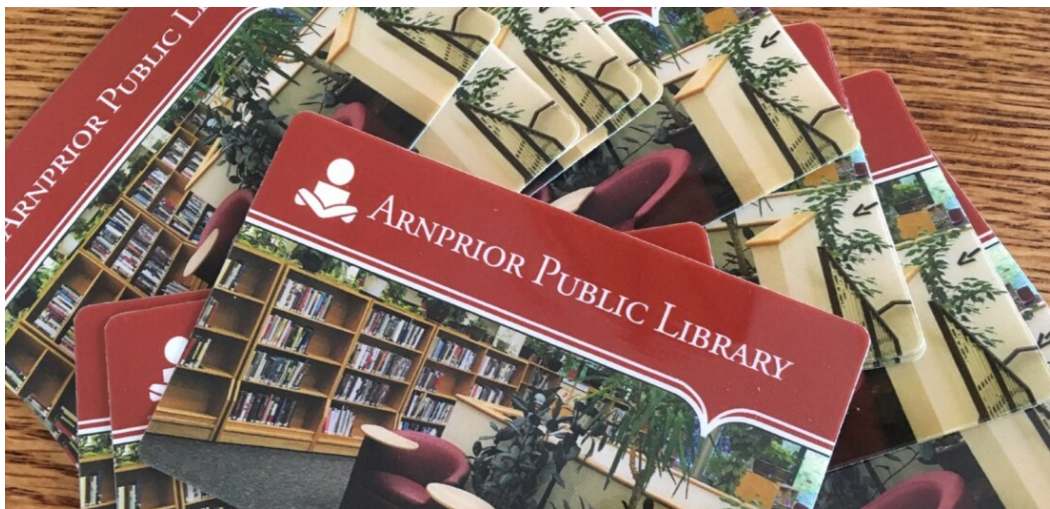
We're a busy destination in Arnprior and we wish to thank volunteers who help to make things happen!

- **Herb Langer** - Chess Club meets Tuesdays in the Art Corridor. All skill levels are welcome.
- **Sandy & Jackie** manage our two Arnprior 10 Book Clubs which is a partnership with the Seniors Active Living Centre.
- **Adrienne** leads the Friday ESL tutoring sessions for international newcomers. **Rosanna** offers assistance during these weekly meetups.

Thanks also extended to outgoing Board members: Neil Salminen, Bill Skinner, Lisa McGee, Meaghan Kolar & Elisabeth von Bloedau.

New Board members for 2022-2026: returning trustees Josie Scott & Shane Kramer and we welcome Mary Andreyju, Ian Bartlett, Chris Couper, Ying Ji and Steve Roberts. It will be a busy year at the library as the new Board will be reaching out to the community for Strategic Planning early in their mandate.

Stay tuned...and we'll see you at the library!





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February 2, 2023

Dear Ms. McGee,

On Friday, February 17th, the SALC, is excited to host a Seniors Information and Active Living Fair at the Nick Smith Centre.

We would be honoured if you and members of council were able to attend this important event in our community and address those in attendance. The fair runs from 12:00pm - 5:00pm in the Community Hall with opening remarks from dignitaries.

The Seniors Information and Active Living Fairs are a public education initiative developed in partnership between the Older Adult Centres' Association (OACAO) and the Ministry for Seniors and Accessibility to promote activities that reduce social isolation, promote active and healthy living, social engagement, partnerships, independence and learning for seniors, their families and caregivers by bringing accessibility and awareness to programs and services available across Ontario.

If you are able to attend on February 17th, please advise us so we can make the appropriate arrangements. Please RSVP by email to Judy Cobus at JCobus@arnpriorhealth.ca

Thank you for your continued commitment and support to our community.

Sent on behalf of Dana McCabe, Program Coordinator- SALC Arnprior, Chair- Seniors Information & Active Living Fair

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Janice Dunn". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

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