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- b) Ontario Welcomes Over \$100 Million Investment in the Critical Technologies Sector
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- f) Ontario Investing \$10 Million to Boost Arts and Culture
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- h) Ontario Providing Record Supports to Students Return to School
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2. Correspondence from the County of Renfrew

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- a) [Watch File – August 21st, 2025](#)
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- d) [Policy Update – Build Canada Homes Market Sounding Submission, New Process for Inter-Provincial Labour Mobility](#)
- e) [Policy Update – 2025 AMO Conference Highlights and Highway Advocacy](#)

4. Algonquins of Pikwakanagan Newsletter

- a) [August 22nd, 2025 Newsletter](#)
- b) [August 29th, 2025 Newsletter](#)

5. Correspondence from Enterprise Renfrew County

- a) [Summer Newsletter 2025](#)

6. Correspondence from Eastern Ontario Wardens' Caucus

- a) [August 2025 Newsletter](#)

7. Correspondence from Other Municipalities

- a) [Town of Goderich: Submission to the Standing Senate Committee on Agriculture and Forestry](#)
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8. Correspondence from Residents

- a) [Support Moonbeam's Call to End Aerial Herbicide Spraying](#)

9. Correspondence from the Upper Ottawa Valley Chamber of Commerce

- a) [2025 Business Excellence Awards Finalists](#)

10. Report from Strategy Corp (external link)

- a) [Ontario Municipal Chief Administrative Officer Survey 2025](#)

Ontario Investing \$5 Million to Boost Life Sciences in Ottawa

World-class research facility will support the creation of more than 750 new jobs and strengthen the region's life sciences sector

August 19, 2025

[Economic Development, Job Creation and Trade](#)

OTTAWA – The Ontario government is protecting the province's life science sector by investing \$5 million through the [Ontario Wet Labs Program](#) (OWLP) to support the outfitting of a new wet lab housed within the University of Ottawa's Advanced Medical Research Centre (AMRC). The state-of-the-art wet lab will support the work undertaken by the AMRC's Ottawa Health Innovation Hub and is expected to support the creation of more than 750 good-paying jobs, driving economic growth across the region.

"Ontario's life sciences sector is a key driver of the province's economy, which is why our government is playing an active role in backing strategic investments that support its long-term success," said Vic Fedeli, Minister of Economic Development, Job Creation and Trade. "The outfitting of the University of Ottawa's Advanced Medical Research Centre and Ottawa Health Innovation Hub are an important next step in ensuring that our province has the critical wet lab infrastructure needed to unlock commercialization, foster research collaboration, and create the conditions for more Ontario-made breakthroughs."

Wet labs are specialized research facilities where researchers work with chemicals, biological matter and other materials in controlled environments, driving innovation in fields like biotechnology and pharmaceuticals and fueling economic growth. OWLP's deployment at the [AMRC's](#) \$16 million [Ottawa Health Innovation Hub](#) will support research collaboration, commercialization and entrepreneurship by providing shared wet lab space with access to leading equipment, advanced biology tools and business support.

"Research taking place at Ontario's colleges and universities is propelling our key industries forward, creating jobs and saving lives," said Nolan Quinn, Minister of Colleges, Universities, Research Excellence and Security. "Our government's

investment to support a new wet lab at the Advanced Medical Research Centre and Ottawa Health Innovation Hub at the University of Ottawa will ensure Ontario remains an epicentre for life science innovation, so that the people of Ontario benefit first and foremost from discoveries made in our own backyard.”

The wet lab, located at the seven-storey, 350,000 square-foot AMRC, will be the first initiative funded through the OWLP, with the project expected to generate \$130 million in revenue and investments by 2032. The OWLP was launched through a \$201 million investment as part of the government’s [Life Sciences Strategy](#). One of the strategy’s primary goals is to establish the province as a global biomanufacturing and life sciences hub that leads in innovation, commercialization and the early adoption of Ontario-made health products and services.

“This investment underscores Ontario’s commitment to building a world-class life sciences ecosystem that brings together the university, the health care providers and industry partners,” said Marie-Eve Sylvestre, President and Vice-Chancellor of the University of Ottawa. “The Advanced Medical Research Centre, alongside the Ottawa Health Innovation Hub, will address urgent infrastructure and talent needs and accelerate the commercialization of made-in-Ottawa health innovations. Together, they will fuel economic growth, attract investment, and improve patient care through cutting-edge research and innovation.”

Since 2018, Ontario has attracted over \$6 billion in investments from leading life sciences companies and global manufacturers.

Quick Facts

- By addressing long-standing barriers to growth, Ontario aims to grow the number of high-value jobs in the life sciences sector by 25 per cent to 85,000 by 2030.
- OWLP supports the development of multi-tenant wet lab facilities by providing successful applicants with a maximum of \$5 million to fund up to 33 per cent of eligible project costs.
- Ontario is home to almost 2,000 life sciences firms with annual exports exceeding \$11.8 billion.
- Since 2018, the government has invested over \$2.19 billion into the research sector, including support for 1,665 research projects that drive ground-breaking discoveries and create jobs across key sectors, such as agriculture, auto manufacturing, information technology and the life sciences.
- In April 2025, the government announced an investment of \$750 million to expand enrollment in science, technology, engineering and mathematics (STEM)

programs at colleges and universities by up to 20,500 seats per year, building Ontario's pipeline of highly skilled workers to drive critical industries.

Quotes

"Under the leadership of Premier Ford, Ontario has become a hub of health research and innovation. By investing to strengthen the province's life sciences sector and supporting made-in-Ontario solutions, our government is protecting Ontario's economy and health-care system for years to come."

- Sylvia Jones
Deputy Premier, Minister of Health

"This commitment from the Ontario government will make Ottawa a hot bed for health innovation. This announcement places the Ottawa Health Innovation Hub at the perfect intersection where pioneering biotech research and health innovation meets the city's thriving life sciences industry."

- George Darouze
MPP for Carleton

Additional Resources

- [Ontario Wet Labs Program](#)
- [Taking Life Sciences to the Next Level](#)
- [Life Sciences Innovation Fund](#)
- [2025 Ontario Budget: A Plan to Protect Ontario](#)
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Ontario Welcomes Over \$100 Million Investment in the Critical Technologies Sector

Ranovus' expansion will create 125 new jobs in Ottawa, bolstering the province's leadership in semiconductor manufacturing

August 20, 2025

[Economic Development, Job Creation and Trade](#)

OTTAWA — The Ontario government is welcoming an investment of over \$100 million from Ranovus Inc., a homegrown Canadian technology company, to expand its optical semiconductor manufacturing facility in Ottawa. The investment will create 125 new, good-paying jobs in the technology sector and further position the province as a North American leader in advanced semiconductor design and manufacturing.

“As global competition for next-generation technologies intensifies, Ontario’s world-class workforce, state-of-the-art research institutions and resilient business environment continue to anchor our province as a partner for success,” said Vic Fedeli, Minister of Economic Development, Job Creation and Trade. “Our government is proud to support Ranovus in their continued expansion, which will create over a hundred new, high-value jobs across our tech corridor and prepare our province for the future of work.”

At a time when U.S. tariffs are taking direct aim at Canada’s leading industries, [Ranovus](#)’ investment is a reflection of the competitiveness and resilience of the province’s economy and workers. In addition to increasing their domestic production of specialized chips used in artificial intelligence (AI) and machine learning, the company has committed to reshoring their outsourced manufacturing capacity back to Ontario. In support of this investment, Ontario is providing up to \$2 million in funding through the Invest Ontario Fund.

“At Ranovus, we’re proud to be designing and manufacturing advanced artificial intelligence solutions right here in Ontario, which relies on a world-class workforce,” said Hamid Arabzadeh, Co-Founder and CEO of Ranovus Inc. “We are

grateful for the Government of Ontario's support as we expand our operations, create good jobs and contribute to securing Canada's leadership in the AI and quantum era."

Founded in Ottawa in 2012, Ranovus is a leading developer of advanced optical interconnect solutions, a type of semiconductor that enables faster data transfers, reducing delays and power consumption in data centres. The company's Ontario-designed-and-made technologies are relied on by global semiconductor technology companies such as AMD, MediaTek, and Cerebras (DARPA). Ranovus' leadership in hardware production plays an important role in scaling AI infrastructure in the manufacturing, defence, and automotive sectors.

By leveraging the strength of the semiconductor sector and ensuring strategic supply chains are developed in Ontario, with Ontario workers, the government continues to secure the province's place as the most competitive jurisdiction to invest and grow within the G7.

Quick Facts

- With over 420,000 tech workers employed across 25,000 firms, Ontario is the second largest tech cluster in North America and a key economic driver for the nation.
 - Since 2018, Ontario has added 100,000 new tech jobs across the sector.
 - With nearly 1,800 annual AI Masters enrollments and more than 1,100 AI Masters graduates, Ontario has transformed into a world leading AI hub of talent. Home to approximately 400 specialized AI and technology companies, Ontario is driving innovation and has created more than 8,500 high-paying jobs.
 - Every year, more than 70,000 STEM students graduate from post-secondary programs across the province, producing one of the most highly skilled workforces in the world.
 - Since its inception, Invest Ontario has announced over \$7.5 billion in investments, leading to the creation of more than 9,600 good-paying jobs.
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Quotes

"Ontario innovators are leading the way in advancing critical sectors that drive and protect our economy. Our government is proud to support Ranovus' expanded capacity, bringing more jobs, investment, and groundbreaking discoveries to the province's technology sector and further cementing Ontario as a global innovation leader."

- Nolan Quinn

Minister of Colleges, Universities, Research Excellence and Security

"Ranovus' expansion is a powerful vote of confidence in Ontario's leadership in advanced semiconductor design and manufacturing. By reshoring production and scaling AI-enabling technologies right here in Ottawa, Ranovus is helping to secure Ontario's place at the forefront of global innovation. This investment reflects the strength of our economy, the resilience of our workforce, and our government's commitment to building a future-ready tech sector."

- Stephen Crawford

Minister of Public and Business Service Delivery and Procurement

"We couldn't be prouder to support a homegrown innovator like Ranovus. What they do not only plays a key role in shaping the future of AI infrastructure, but also reinforces Ontario's leadership in critical technologies on the global stage. Ranovus' continued success reflects the strength of our province as a destination to innovate, scale up and drive global impact."

- Khawar Nasim

CEO of Invest Ontario

"Ranovus is a global leader in advanced solutions that will support the next generation of AI workloads. As the only PC MPP in Ottawa, I am excited that this investment and commitment to growth will solidify our city and province as the 'Silicon Valley of the North.' As Carleton MPP, it is also exciting because many Ranovus employees, both present and future, live in this riding."

- George Darouze

MPP for Carleton

Additional Resources

- [Ranovus](#)
 - [Invest Ontario](#)
 - [2025 Ontario Budget: A Plan to Protect Ontario](#)
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Ontario Investing \$70 Million to Protect Workers Affected by U.S. Tariffs

Province providing proactive support for workers in the face of economic uncertainty

August 20, 2025

[Office of the Premier](#)

[Labour, Immigration, Training and Skills Development](#)

HAMILTON — The Ontario government is delivering on its plan to protect Ontario workers by investing \$70 million in expanded training and employment services for those affected by U.S. tariffs and policies. This funding includes support for the province's [Protect Ontario Workers Employment Response](#) (POWER) Centres, which builds on and enhances existing ministry-supported action centres. The province is also providing enhancements to Better Jobs Ontario (BJO) to help more job seekers quickly train and upskill for in-demand, good-paying careers. Together, these supports will help workers secure better jobs with bigger paycheques and become part of a strong and resilient Ontario workforce.

"Ontario has the best workers in the world. When their livelihoods are threatened by decisions in Washington, we won't leave them behind," said Premier Doug Ford. "By investing \$70 million in new training and rapid-response centres, we're making sure that workers can retrain fast, land good-paying jobs and get back to work building a stronger, more resilient Ontario that can stand up to anything that comes our way."

The government is investing \$20 million in POWER Centres. These enhanced centres will provide access to training, upskilling and employment services to workers affected by, or at risk of, layoffs. By building and expanding on partnerships with unions, community organizations, colleges and universities, the centres will connect workers to more training opportunities, jobs search assistance and Employment Ontario programs. For the first time, the province will be able to launch centres proactively before a layoff has occurred with the added ability to respond within 24 hours.

“We’re helping Ontario workers get the training and support they need, when they need it the most,” said David Piccini, Minister of Labour, Immigration, Training and Skills Development. “As we adapt to global economic shifts, our government is meeting the moment with a plan to protect our workforce and give them the training and tools they need to land secure, good-paying jobs.”

The government is also investing an additional \$50 million in [Better Jobs Ontario](#) (BJO) to expand access to vocational and skills training for in-demand jobs. This will help job seekers, including those facing challenges finding a stable job (like youth and people on social assistance), with up to \$35,000 for costs such as tuition, transportation and child care.

“We are very proud of the great work our current Action Centres do, providing peer-to-peer advice and assistance to workers who lose their jobs. Each year they help over 1,000 laid-off workers,” said Kevon Stewart, Director, District 6 and Atlantic Canada, United Steelworkers (USW). “We are very excited to see that Minister Piccini and this government are enhancing their ability to help workers through the POWER Centres program, which will not only enable us to create new Action Centres and proactively respond to upcoming layoffs, but also provide more stable funding and allow the existing Job Action Centres to provide additional services.”

These investments are part of the government’s plan to protect Ontario workers by investing in training and reskilling to give workers the tools they need to land rewarding, good-paying jobs while strengthening Ontario’s economy to make our province the most competitive jurisdiction in the G7.

Quick Facts

- This year, 10 Action Centres were operational across Ontario, helping almost 15,000 workers with services and supports.
- Since January 2021, nearly 16,000 jobs seekers have received retraining support through Better Jobs Ontario.
- To apply to [Better Jobs Ontario](#), contact an [Employment Ontario](#) service provider in your area.
- Individuals can apply for up to \$28,000 for training that is one year or less in duration and up to \$35,000 for training longer than one-year in duration, up to a maximum of two years.
- As announced in the [2025 Budget: A Plan to Protect Ontario](#), the Ontario government is investing nearly \$1 billion in funding over the next three years through the Skills Development Fund to support major industries and sectors

while training the workers needed to build and strengthen Ontario's economy. This investment brings Ontario's total SDF investment to \$2.5 billion.

- POWER Centres and Better Jobs Ontario are supported through labour market transfer agreements between the Government of Canada and the Government of Ontario.

Quotes

"Our government continues to protect Ontario and its skilled workers as U.S. tariffs hit our industries. This \$70 million investment announced today in Hamilton will allow skilled workers to train specifically for in-demand work and ensure those affected by layoffs can re-enter the workforce."

- Monica Ciriello
MPP for Hamilton Mountain

"U.S. tariffs and economic uncertainty are threatening some of our most vital sectors here in Hamilton, which is one of the largest manufacturing hubs in our province. That's why our government is focused on protecting workers and our economy and this investment is needed now more than ever. We are stepping up to provide the training, resources and assistance that workers need to keep bringing home good paycheques."

- Neil Lumsden
MPP for Hamilton East—Stoney Creek

"Ontario workers shouldn't pay the price for decisions made in Washington. Our government is taking action and with new POWER Centres we're putting real training, real dollars and real support on the table to protect paycheques and keep workers in good-paying jobs. Ontario won't stand by — we'll respond fast, smart and with every tool we have to protect our workforce and keep our economy moving forward."

- Chris Scott
MPP for Sault Ste. Marie

"I welcome these investments in POWER enhanced training hubs and Better Jobs Ontario. I look forward to Hamiltonians being able to more easily access training and supports and build the skills that open doors to good, stable jobs right here in our city."

- Andrea Horwath
Mayor of Hamilton

Additional Resources

- [Employment Ontario](#)
- [Better Jobs Ontario](#)
- [Ontario Provides Support for Workers in the Face of Economic Uncertainty](#)
- [Ontario Investing \\$260 Million to Protect and Train Workers](#)

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Province Making Historic Investments to Build Communities and Protect Ontario

Ontario announces new investments in infrastructure, health-care services at annual AMO conference

August 20, 2025

[Municipal Affairs and Housing](#)

OTTAWA – The Ontario government is making historic investments to build and protect communities, working in partnership with municipalities at the 2025 Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO) conference. Premier Doug Ford [announced](#) that Ontario will invest an additional \$1.6 billion in the Municipal Housing Infrastructure Program (MHIP), bringing the province's total investment to \$4 billion. Kinga Surma, Minister of Infrastructure, also spoke to conference attendees about investments the province is making to build and protect Ontario communities, including plans to incentivize the construction and operation of water services in new and innovative ways and enable the construction of more homes.

"Our government's \$4 billion investment in the Municipal Housing Infrastructure Program will help communities across Ontario build the infrastructure they need to unlock more housing and support economic growth," said Minister Surma. "In the face of unwarranted U.S. (United States) tariffs, our government is doubling down on our plan to build and investing more than \$200 billion through our capital plan to protect Ontario by getting shovels in the ground faster on critical infrastructure projects that will keep workers on the job and support stronger and more prosperous communities."

Earlier this week, Rob Flack, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, shared with municipal leaders how Ontario is working with them to help keep workers on the job at a time of economic uncertainty by bringing down the cost and time it takes to build homes.

"Through strong partnerships between our government and our municipal partners, we are ready to face the economic uncertainty caused by the U.S. (United States) tariffs and continue tackling the housing crisis," said Minister Flack.

“Alongside our \$1.2 billion Building Faster Fund, our government passed historic legislation to help municipalities get shovels in the ground and build homes faster so more families can live, work, and thrive in the communities they call home.”

Sylvia Jones, Deputy Premier and Minister of Health, announced that Ontario is increasing funding for land ambulances by an average 8.7 per cent from 2024, with almost \$1 billion in funding provincewide. This funding is part of the province’s historic investments to protect and expand Ontario’s health-care system, including continued progress on the \$2.1 billion [Primary Care Action Plan](#) which will connect everyone in Ontario to a publicly funded primary care provider by 2029.

Minister Jones also provided a progress update on the province’s nearly \$550 million plan to build 28 Homelessness and Addiction Recovery Treatment (HART) Hubs, to help make communities safer and support people struggling with addiction. Nine Hubs have already opened, with the remaining [HART \(Homelessness and Addiction Recovery Treatment\)](#) Hubs projected to open in the coming months. These Hubs will provide close to 900 supportive housing units, which is over 300 more than originally anticipated, helping people experiencing homelessness transition to stable, long-term housing.

“Our government is making historic investments to protect Ontario’s health-care system and our communities, ensuring that more people across the province can connect to the care they need, where and when they need it,” said Minister Jones. “Over the last year we have made progress, more patients and families are being connected to care, closer to home, and with our Primary Care Action Plan, supported by Dr. Jane Philpott, we will continue to add new and expanded primary care teams, so everyone in the province can access high-quality primary care.”

The annual [AMO \(Association of Municipalities of Ontario\)](#) conference is an important opportunity for the government to hear from municipalities from every corner of the province, to collaborate and make progress on shared priorities for the good of the people of Ontario.

“[AMO \(Association of Municipalities of Ontario\)](#) brings governments together to tackle shared challenges, and to promote social and economic prosperity for everyone, in every part of Ontario,” said [AMO \(Association of Municipalities of Ontario\)](#) President Robin Jones, Mayor of Westport. “Collaboration is the key to making sure we all deliver the best results with the resources we have – whether the challenge is housing, infrastructure, local economies, Indigenous reconciliation, or environmental protection. Ontario’s communities prosper most when Ontario’s provincial and municipal leaders are working well together.”

Quick Facts

- Ministers, Associate Ministers, and Parliamentary Assistants held over 800 meetings with municipalities and municipal organizations from across Ontario at the 2025 [AMO \(Association of Municipalities of Ontario\)](#) conference. This is the highest number of delegations ever held. They discussed key priorities including tariffs, housing, infrastructure, and public health, including mental health and addictions and emergency health services.
 - Combined with increased funding for the Dedicated Offload Nurses Program and fostering collaboration between hospitals and emergency medical services, Ontario has seen ambulance offload times decline by approximately 65 per cent since October 2022.
 - The Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks is launching a new online system to get environmental property information faster and easier. This new 24/7 self-service portal will cut wait times for over 9,000 requests each year from approximately 30 days down to 3 days for search results and 7 days for records. This will help homebuilders save time and money, make quicker decisions, and build homes faster.
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Additional Resources

- [2025 Ontario Budget: A Plan to Protect Ontario](#)
 - [Ontario Getting Homes and Infrastructure Built Faster and Smarter](#)
 - [Ontario Taking Action to Strengthen Local Governance](#)
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Ontario Investing \$2 Million to Help Young Entrepreneurs Start and Grow Businesses

Investment will support 320 young entrepreneurs.

August 26, 2025

[Economic Development, Job Creation and Trade](#)

WINDSOR — The Ontario government is investing an additional \$2 million in Futurpreneur Canada to help more young people develop and launch businesses and strengthen Ontario's economy in the face of U.S. tariffs and economic uncertainty. The funding will support 320 young entrepreneurs between the ages of 18 to 39 with access to financing, mentorship and support to start and grow successful businesses. As part of its plan to protect Ontario, the government is making strategic investments that protect workers, support small businesses and build a stronger, more self-reliant economy.

"Young entrepreneurs are the backbone of Ontario's future," said Nina Tangri, Associate Minister of Small Business. "By investing in initiatives like Futurpreneur Canada, we are giving the next generation of business leaders the tools they need to succeed. These businesses will protect our economy, create good-paying jobs and build thriving communities across the province."

[Futurpreneur Canada](#) is a national not-for-profit organization that connects aspiring business owners with collateral-free loans of up to \$75,000, two years of mentorship and in-person programming. Its flagship loan initiative, the [Core Startup Program](#), helps youth aged 18 to 39 launch and grow their business. Since 2021, Ontario has provided \$9 million in funding to Futurpreneur, helping to start and grow close to 1,200 businesses and create over 5000 jobs across the province, including in Northern, rural and remote communities.

"This renewed partnership with the Ontario government comes at a critical time for young adults across the province who are looking for meaningful ways to advance their careers and build a prosperous future," said Karen Greve Young, Chief Executive Officer, Futurpreneur. "Thanks to this funding commitment, Futurpreneur will empower even more exceptional, young entrepreneurs to start or

buy successful businesses that breathe life into all Ontario communities—whether urban, rural, remote, or Northern—not only by creating jobs, but also by connecting people.”

Small businesses are critical to the province’s economy, employing nearly two million people and making up 98 per cent of all Ontario businesses. Today’s investment builds on the government’s ongoing supports to help small businesses adapt, succeed and grow in Ontario. These include: [Starter Company Plus](#), [Summer Company](#), the [Digitalization Competence Centre](#), the [Retail Modernization Project Grant](#), and business advisory services through Ontario’s [Small Business Enterprise Centres](#) and [Regional Innovation Centres](#).

Quick Facts

- There are nearly 500,000 small businesses in Ontario. Ninety-eight per cent of businesses with employees are small businesses.
 - In 2024–25, Futurpreneur supported 351 businesses in Ontario, including 59 in Northern, rural, and remote communities.
 - Entrepreneurs can be eligible for collateral-free loan financing up to \$25,000, which can be matched with up to \$50,000 loan financing from the Business Development Bank of Canada for a total of up to \$75,000.
 - Ontario’s Small Business Enterprise Centres (SBECS) provide advisory services, training, and programs to help entrepreneurs launch and grow businesses. The province’s network of SBECS will advise and refer young entrepreneurs to the Futurpreneur program.
 - In 2024–25, Ontario’s 47 SBECS helped start over 8,000 businesses, expand 2,700 and create more than 15,800 jobs.
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Quotes

"Our investment in Futurpreneur Canada is both timely and important. The Core Startup Program offers the key supports needed to help aspiring business owners thrive and contribute positively to Ontario’s economy. This funding will ensure home grown businesses succeed, while helping us create the strongest economy in the G7."

- Stéphane Sarrazin

Parliamentary Assistant to the Minister of Economic Development, Job Creation and Trade (Small Business) and Parliamentary Assistant to the Minister of Francophone Affairs

"Ontario's young entrepreneurs have the vision and drive to shape our future," said Andrew Dowie, MPP for Windsor–Tecumseh. "Through programs like Futurpreneur Canada, we're helping them launch and grow businesses that create jobs and protect our economy."

- Andrew Dowie
MPP for Windsor—Tecumseh

"Entrepreneurship is very important, and it is very hard to teach. That's why the Futurpreneur initiative is so important. As the MPP for Essex, I know that there are great entrepreneurs in Essex County. We want those entrepreneurs to succeed, stay in Essex County, and create jobs in Essex County."

- Anthony Leardi
MPP for Essex

"This 2-million-dollar investment in Futurpreneur is also an investment in Windsor's future. Across our city, young people are ready to seize opportunities, launch new ideas, and build businesses that will strengthen families, neighbourhoods, and our economy. By giving them the tools and support to succeed, we're not only unlocking individual potential, creating new jobs, and fostering innovation — we're securing long-term prosperity for Windsor–Essex, for Ontario, and for Canada."

- Drew Dilkins
Mayor of Windsor

Additional Resources

- [Futurpreneur Canada](#)
 - [Digitalization Competence Centre](#)
 - [Retail Modernization Project Grant](#)
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Ontario Investing \$10 Million to Boost Arts and Culture

Funding will support and strengthen Canadian identity

August 27, 2025

[Tourism, Culture and Gaming](#)

TORONTO — The Ontario government is supporting Canadian culture and identity by providing more than \$10 million to support 226 arts organizations and artists across the province. This funding, provided through the Ontario Arts Council (OAC), will help deliver arts and culture programs that enrich people's lives, promote local artists and support local economies.

"Whether it's helping artists and organizations achieve their visions, reach wider audiences or cultivate meaningful connection through creative projects, Ontario's arts and culture sector plays a vital role in building vibrant communities and driving economic growth," said Stan Cho, Minister of Tourism, Culture and Gaming. "Now more than ever, in the face of threats to our economy and sovereignty, we must invest in and celebrate homegrown artistic talent and programs that bring people together, tell our stories and foster pride in Canadian creativity and culture."

Every year, OAC grants help fund the work and promotion of artists across many disciplines, including craft, dance, literature, music, theatre, media arts and visual arts. Recipients range from established cultural organizations to individual local artists and represent a diversity of voices across the province.

Grant recipients in 2025-26 include:

- Théâtre du Nouvel-Ontario, which is receiving \$180,110 to support the growth and development of Francophone artists in northern Ontario.
- VIBE Arts, which is receiving \$74,691 to provide arts education programming that helps children and youth in under-served communities in the Greater Toronto Area discover their artistic abilities.
- The Canadian Children's Book Centre, which is receiving \$65,278 to support the growth of children's publishing in Canada, providing programs and resources that are used by teachers, librarians, authors, illustrators, publishers, booksellers and parents.

- Indigenous Performing Arts Alliance, which is receiving \$61,367 to foster connections between Indigenous performing artists and Canada's performing arts community.

“Arts and culture are at the heart of Ontario’s identity and vitality,” said Simon Foster, Board Chair, Ontario Arts Council. “Every dollar invested through OAC generates \$25 in revenue, fueling both creativity and economic growth. Each year, nearly 3,000 OAC grants in more than 200 communities reach over 31 million attendees. From flagship institutions to grassroots projects, OAC funding brings people together, amplifies diverse voices, and strengthens our cultural and economic landscape.”

Between 2018 and 2023, the province invested more than \$350 million in over 20,000 OAC grants to artists and arts organizations. These operating grants supported 5,300 full-time jobs annually and generated over \$5.8 billion GDP in total economic benefits for communities across the province.

For more information and a list of recipients, visit the Ontario Arts Council’s [website](#).

Quick Facts

- The Ontario Arts Council (OAC), an agency of the Ministry of Tourism, Culture and Gaming, provides grants to Ontario-based individual artists and arts professionals, ad hoc groups, collectives and organizations, supporting a range of arts activities and disciplines.
- In 2024-25, OAC invested \$52.2 million in 204 communities across 123 Ontario ridings, providing 1,969 grants to individual artists and 1,030 grants to organizations.
- For more information and to learn about the different grants offered, please visit the [OAC website](#).

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Ontario Expanding RSV Immunization to Protect More Seniors This Fall

Expanded program to include everyone aged 75 years and older

August 27, 2025

[Health](#)

TORONTO — The Ontario government is expanding the Respiratory Syncytial Virus (RSV) prevention program to include all individuals aged 75 years and older, helping to protect those most vulnerable during the upcoming respiratory illness season.

"Our government is ensuring the most vulnerable have access to the tools they need to protect themselves and their family during respiratory illness season," said Sylvia Jones, Deputy Premier and Minister of Health. "We're once again expanding RSV immunization which will now include everyone 75 years of age and older so we can help protect more seniors and reduce unnecessary hospitalizations this fall and winter."

Starting this fall, RSV immunization will now be available through Ontario's publicly funded RSV immunization programs to all individuals aged 75 and older, building on [last year's expansion](#) of the programs that also includes:

- Certain high-risk adults aged 60 to 74, such as residents of long-term care homes or retirement homes
- Infants up to eight months of age in their first RSV season
- High-risk children up to 24 months of age in their second season

Pregnant women will have the option to receive the RSV vaccine Abrysvo®, which can help provide protection to infants at birth, while eligible newborns, infants and high-risk children can receive the Beyfortus® immunization. More details on where families will be able to access RSV immunization will be provided in the coming weeks.

"As we prepare for the upcoming respiratory illness season, it's essential that we take proactive steps to protect those most at risk and reduce pressure on our health-care system," said Dr. Kieran Moore, Ontario's Chief Medical Officer of Health. "Ontario's RSV immunization programs for infants, high-risk children, high-

risk adults over 60 and everyone aged 75 and older is a critical part of our strategy to prevent severe illness, hospitalizations, and complications, especially among those most vulnerable to respiratory infections.”

Routine and recommended immunizations help prevent the spread of serious diseases throughout communities, reduce medical visits and keep people out of the hospital. Everyone is strongly encouraged to stay up to date on their immunizations, especially children returning to school who may have missed routine vaccines.

Through [Your Health: A Plan for Connected and Convenient Care](#), the Ontario government is providing people with the tools they need to connect to the care they need to keep themselves and their loved ones safe and healthy.

Quick Facts

- Information about recommended immunizations for the upcoming respiratory illness season, including when to get your flu shot and COVID-19 vaccine, will be available closer to the fall.
 - Respiratory Syncytial Virus (RSV) is a common respiratory virus that infects the nose, throat, and lungs. Infection is most severe in young babies and older adults and can cause serious lung infections that may require hospitalization. RSV infection can also make chronic health problems worse.
 - Pregnant women should consult with their health-care provider before receiving Abrysvo®.
 - Every time your child gets a routine immunization, report it to your local public health unit to ensure their records for the ISPA are up to date. Health-care providers do not report these records for you.
 - Under Ontario’s Immunization of School Pupils Act (ISPA), students must provide proof of immunization against diseases such as measles, mumps, rubella and whooping cough to attend school.
 - Talk to a health-care provider or [public health unit](#) if you are unsure if your child has missed [routine immunizations](#) or if you are unsure about which immunizations they have received.
 - Visit [Health811 online](#) or call 811 (TTY: [1-866-797-0007](#) toll free) for health advice and information 24 hours a day, seven days a week.
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Quotes

"At Sunnybrook, we see every day how important it is to protect seniors' health so they can live independently for longer. Expanding access to the RSV vaccine gives older adults in our community an important tool to prevent serious illness, reduce emergency hospital visits, and maintain their quality of life. This is an important step forward in supporting the health and well-being of Ontario's aging population."

- Dr. Karen Fleming
Chief, Department of Family and Community Medicine and Family
Physician, Sunnybrook Health Sciences Centre

"Sanofi applauds the Government of Ontario on the expansion of the RSV immunization program as another positive step to protect public health. At Sanofi, we are proud to partner on this priority and ensure Beyfortus® (nirsevimab) is available again this season. As the first and only single-dose immunization indicated for the prevention of RSV in newborns and infants, Beyfortus® helps protect all babies from the risk of RSV disease and reduces its burden on the health-care system."

- Delphine Lansac
General Manager, Vaccines, Sanofi Canada

"We applaud the Ontario government's continued commitment to protecting the most vulnerable during respiratory illness season. Expanding access to RSV immunization for all individuals aged 75 and older is a vital step in helping Ontario seniors stay healthy and avoid serious complications. When Canadians have access to quality health care and can live healthy lives, they are better able to participate fully in society and help reduce the burden on our health-care systems. At Pfizer Canada, we are proud to support public health efforts that prioritize prevention and empower Canadians with timely access to innovative vaccines and can help unlock the benefits of improved population health."

- An Van Gerven
President, Pfizer Canada

"RSV is a major contributor to illness and hospitalizations. Fortunately, RSV immunization is safe and extraordinarily effective. This vaccine coverage will save lives and help to improve quality of life for older Ontarians by reducing the risk of serious illness and complications. It also will reduce the number of hospitalizations, which means more capacity in our health-care system during the always busy winter season."

- Dr. Chris Simpson
Chief Medical Executive, Ontario Health

Additional Resources

- [Respiratory Syncytial Virus \(RSV\) prevention programs](#)
- [Vaccines for Children at School](#)

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Ontario Providing Record Supports as Students Return to School

Province opening 41 new and expanded schools this fall and ensuring school boards focus on students' success

August 28, 2025

[Education](#)

TORONTO — The Ontario government is investing a record \$30.3 billion in education funding this year as part of its plan to protect Ontario and prepare students for the jobs of tomorrow. This funding for the upcoming school year will ensure schools can continue to deliver high-quality education to the two million students returning to school next week, with a back-to-basics approach that prepares them with practical skills for good-paying, stable careers. The government is also opening a record 41 new and expanded schools this fall to provide students and teachers with modern learning environments they need to succeed.

“Our goal is clear: To provide students with the opportunity to succeed and grow, and ensure teachers have the resources and environment they need to inspire learning and help students thrive,” said Paul Calandra, Minister of Education. “We will continue to invest in safe, modern schools while strengthening accountability and transparency across Ontario’s education system to ensure that every dollar invested is preparing students with practical skills for good-paying, stable careers.”

Last spring, the government introduced the [Supporting Children and Students Act, 2025](#), that, if passed, would strengthen government oversight, accountability and transparency in public school boards. This would allow the government to quickly respond to matters of public interest and make sure every dollar of this historic funding is directed to a back-to-basics approach that focuses on strengthening core skills in reading, writing and math, supporting students with special education needs and expanding access to mental health services.

The province is also opening 25 brand new schools and 16 school additions this fall, creating more than 17,700 student spaces and 1,650 licensed child care spaces to support growing communities. The new and expanded schools represent an

infrastructure investment of more than \$889.1 million that is a part of the government's \$23 billion investment to build, renew and improve schools over 10 years.

The government's continued focus this school year is upholding public trust in Ontario's publicly funded education system and its plan to build a strong, accountable and well-supported public education system with a back-to-basics approach that is focused on improving student outcomes.

Quick Facts

- Over the past two years, the government has committed \$1.3 billion annually to support new school buildings, school expansion and renovations across the province — the highest level of school capital funding in Ontario's history.
- Since 2018, the government has supported about 300 school-related projects including child care, of which more than 100 are actively under construction.
- The government has [introduced Bill 33: *Supporting Children and Students Act*, 2025](#) that, if passed, would strengthen oversight of school board finances, governance and program performance and grant the Minister of Education the authority to act swiftly in matters of public interest.
- When school boards fail to meet their responsibilities, the government has not hesitated to act. Supervisors have been appointed to [five school boards](#) to address concerns related to growing deficits, depleted reserves and mismanagement.

Additional Resources

- [New Schools and School Expansions Opening in Ontario](#)
- [School board reviews and investigations](#)
- [Ontario Providing Record Education Funding while Ensuring School Board Accountability](#)
- [Education funding for school boards, 2025–2026](#)
- [Ontario to Introduce Legislation to Strengthen School Board Oversight](#)
- [Ontario Strengthening Governance, Accountability and Transparency in School Boards, Postsecondary Institutions and Children's Aid Societies](#)

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Ontario Protecting Workers by Introducing First-in-Canada Labour Mobility Changes

Province celebrating Labour Day and breaking down interprovincial barriers for workers

September 01, 2025

[Labour, Immigration, Training and Skills Development](#)

TORONTO – This Labour Day, the Ontario government is supporting Ontario and Canadian workers by breaking down interprovincial barriers for in-demand professions such as architects, engineers, geoscientists, land surveyors, electricians and more. This historic change is part of the government's plan to protect Ontario and Canadian workers and build a unified Canadian workforce that can stand up to U.S. tariffs and economic uncertainty.

"Our government is leading Canada in our efforts to protect workers by helping them find better jobs and building a more resilient, competitive and united Canadian economy," said David Piccini, Minister of Labour, Immigration, Training and Skills Development. "With these historic measures, we're tearing down barriers to create more opportunities for workers and businesses, building a stronger province and country."

As of today, the government has filed [regulations](#) that will support the removal of interprovincial barriers for Canadian workers coming to Ontario. Starting January 1, 2026, Canadians in certified professions can begin working in Ontario within 10 days, once credentials and requirements are confirmed by the regulator. This is a sharp contrast to the current process, which can force workers to wait anywhere from several months to half a year before being registered and able to start a job. The historic implementation of ["As of Right" rules](#) will apply across professions covered by more than 50 regulatory authorities and 300 certifications, helping employers fill critical gaps faster, protecting workers and supporting a stronger, more united Canadian economy.

Ontario has signed 10 agreements to date with provinces and territories across Canada to break down barriers to the free movements of goods and workers within the country. These agreements include reciprocal measures that will make it easier

for Ontario workers to move to and work in other parts of the country, as well as for workers from those provinces and territories to work in Ontario.

"The implementation of 'As of Right' rules marks a key milestone in advancing the historic actions taken by our government to break down interprovincial trade barriers and enable workers to move and practice freely from coast to coast," said Vic Fedeli, Minister of Economic Development, Job Creation and Trade. "By cutting red tape and eliminating costly delays for certified professionals, our government is unlocking new markets and opportunities for workers and businesses, strengthening our domestic and national economy, and ensuring Ontario remains a resilient and competitive jurisdiction for investment and growth."

These changes will boost productivity and help provide the workforce necessary to deliver nation-building projects across critical sectors, all while maintaining Ontario's gold standard for worker safety and qualifications. First introduced through the [Protect Ontario through Free Trade within Canada Act, 2025](#), this milestone supports Ontario's plan to boost free trade within Canada and reflects the province's leadership in creating a more agile, responsive labour market.

Quick Facts

- Approximately 3,000 labour mobility applications were processed in 2023 across 14 regulated professions and 23 compulsory trades governed under the [Fair Access to Regulated Professions and Compulsory Trades Act, 2006](#).
 - Approximately 20 per cent of occupations are regulated in Canada. These "As of Right" rules are applicable to more than 50 Ontario regulatory authorities under the [Ontario Labour Mobility Act, 2009](#).
 - The government is working with other provinces and territories to harmonize occupational health and safety training standards to help streamline pathways to work inter-provincially.
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Quotes

"By cutting red tape and breaking down barriers between the provinces and territories, our government continues to protect Ontario from the economic uncertainty caused by U.S. tariffs. This historic change to labour mobility will not only make it faster and easier for workers across Canada to come and begin working in our province, but it will also help us secure more of the valuable home-grown talent that our country needs to deliver on the nation-building projects that will make us the most competitive economy in the G7."

**- Peter Bethlenfalvy
Minister of Finance**

"The Ontario Association of Certified Engineering Technicians and Technologists (OACETT) applauds the Ontario government's action to ensure rapid and seamless inter-provincial mobility for certified/licensed professionals. Our organization is proud to be a leader in supporting this approach, having built and maintained reciprocal agreements with our provincial counterparts for many years. Removing internal barriers for skilled workers is critical to ensuring that we can all contribute to achieving Ontario's critical infrastructure and economic development objectives."

**- Christopher van Dop
C.E.T. President, Ontario Association of Certified Engineering Technicians
and Technologists (OACETT)**

"The Association of Ontario Land Surveyors (AOLS) has been collaborating with the Ontario government to support the ability of professional land surveyors from across Canada to practice in Ontario under Bill 2 and the 'As of Right' framework. Land surveying is a critical profession that supports housing, infrastructure and community development and through our partnership with Minister Piccini, we remain committed to our core mandate of protecting the public interest and maintaining trust in the profession."

**- Al Jeraj
Executive Director, Association of Ontario Land Surveyors (A.O.L.S)**

"Professional Engineers Ontario is honoured to stand here today, together with Ontario's government. As the body tasked with regulating the practice of engineering and governing the engineering profession, we are pleased to work with the government to enhance labour mobility outcomes for qualified engineers from across our country. We know that these efforts will help to build Canada, including much needed projects and endeavours here in Ontario. We are grateful for the leadership of Premier Ford make the best possible use of the engineering skills that are available to grow our economy."

- Jennifer Quaglietta
CEO, Professional Engineers of Ontario (PEO)

"PGO has long been a nation-leading voice for increasing labour mobility for professional geoscientists across Canada. We support the government's bold objectives to 'As of Right' rules and believe that allowing professional geoscientists to practice more freely across the country will strengthen our profession while ensuring continued robust protection of public safety and unlock economic prosperity in the mining, urban development, infrastructure, natural environment and all other sectors where professional geoscientists play a critical role."

- Robert Hearst
P.Geo., FGC, President, Professional Geoscientists of Ontario

"The Law Society of Ontario has long supported interprovincial mobility for lawyers to enhance client service and professional development. This legislation has the potential to bring similar benefits to other professions and their clients."

- Priya Bhatia
Acting Chief Executive Officer, Law Society of Ontario

"ATIO welcomes the Ontario government's leadership in advancing labour mobility through the new 'As of Right' legislation. By streamlining recognition of translators and interpreters already certified in other provinces, this legislation will help professionals secure employment more quickly and efficiently while ensuring Ontarians continue to receive high-quality, reliable language services. This is a meaningful step toward strengthening both professional standards and access to essential services across the province."

- Adam K. Dickinson

President, Association of Translators and Interpreters of Ontario (ATIO)

Additional Resources

[Ontario Unlocking Free Trade Within Canada](#)

[Labour Mobility Between Provinces and Territories](#)

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Council and Committee

Monthly Summary

August 2025

Below you will find highlights of the County of Renfrew County Council and Committee meetings held August 13 and August 27, 2025.

Please note that this summary does not constitute the official record of the meetings and approved minutes should be consulted for that purpose.

The full [Council and Committee packages](#) can be found online.

The [August 13, 2025](#) and [August 27, 2025](#) meetings are on YouTube.

Warden's Address

Key highlights

- At the August 13 meeting, Warden Peter Emon recognized the passing of Raye-Anne Briscoe, the former mayor of the Township of Admaston/Bromley, a former County Councillor and a long-standing advocate for the County of Renfrew. He noted that she remained engaged in County affairs even after her time on Council, as she regularly followed meetings on YouTube and kept a sharp eye on the issues, particularly those related to finance and the health sector. The Warden commended Raye-Anne for her dedication and passion for the County will not be forgotten, as he extended condolences to her family and friends.
- Over the summer months, the Warden had the honour of attending several events in communities across the County of Renfrew. He noted recent community events highlighted the pride residents take in their communities and the warm hospitality shown to both neighbours and visitors. These gatherings showcased the vibrant spirit of Renfrew County and reinforced its reputation as a welcoming and increasingly popular travel destination.
- The Warden emphasized that the County continues to play a central role in addressing the interconnected crises of homelessness, mental health, and substance use disorders. It is actively working with service providers, law enforcement, healthcare professionals, and community-based organizations to provide coordinated, compassionate, and effective support. He extended an open hand to all agencies willing to collaborate, share resources, and join in the shared mission of restoring dignity, stability, and hope to those most in need.
- At the August 27 meeting, the Warden highlighted the County of Renfrew's participation in the [Association of Municipalities of Ontario \(AMO\) Conference in Ottawa](#) and noted the contingent shared ideas, addressed challenges, and explored innovative solutions. He expressed pride in the collaborative spirit and forward-thinking discussions which occurred. He looks forward to bringing these insights back to Council and staff as we continue to build a stronger, more sustainable Renfrew County.

Delegations

- At the August 13 session, Warden Peter Emon and CAO Craig Kelley presented cheques from the proceeds of the annual Warden's Golf Tournament. The event raised \$8,500, which was divided between Family and Children Services of Renfrew County for the Darlene Aikens Memorial Summer Camp Fund and the County of Renfrew Housing and Homelessness Fund. Jennifer White, Executive Director of FCS Renfrew County, noted the \$4,250 donation has helped to send more than 70 children and youth from Renfrew County to summer camp. Jennifer Dombroskie, the County's Manager of Community Housing, said the \$4,250 donation to the Housing and Homelessness Fund will also go a long way to supporting families in the community. There are currently more than 2,000 households waiting for an affordable housing solution in the County of Renfrew through the centralized waitlist for rent-geared-to-income housing, in addition to more than 1,400 households that are receiving social assistance payments through Ontario Works.
- Renfrew County District School Board representatives Kristen Niemi, Director of Education; Scott Nichol, Superintendent of Education; Bill Murray, Senior Manager, Facilities; and Jamie Thomson, Director of Development, Re-Nature Foundation shared details about the partnership between the Board and Re-Nature Foundation to bring [outdoor learning spaces](#) to 19 elementary schools across the county. These spaces will support inquiry-based and experiential learning, framed by trees and natural elements to promote student well-being, environmental education, and equity. Each site will feature outdoor classrooms, benches and stump seats, curriculum cabinets and over 50 trees and eco-restoration features. RCDSB is seeking support from local municipalities to apply for the Growing Canada's Community Canopies (GCCC) grant through the Federation of Canadian Municipalities—with no cost to municipalities.
- The Grind Pembroke shared the impact of their work supporting individuals in crisis across the region. Grind Board members Dave Henderson and Derek Lindley made the presentation. Among the stats shared: 2,800+ breakfasts and 4,800+ lunches served, 200+ emergency food boxes distributed, 200+ individuals in need accessed showers, 1,300+ people received urgent client services and on-site support from Ontario Works, crisis teams, and health professionals. The Grind made a request that the County of Renfrew provide direct funding to their organization to sustain these vital services – annual request: \$95,750 and interim support needed until March 2026. The presentation was received as information.
- At the August 27 meeting, Warden Emon presented the Culture Connector Award to Emily Stovel, Manager of Culture and Curator at the Arnprior and District Museum on behalf of the Local Immigration Partnership – Lanark & Renfrew. Ms. Stovel was recognized for her outstanding contributions to community building, cultural inclusion, and newcomer support. Through her leadership, the museum has become a vibrant hub for connection and collaboration, and her outreach efforts have helped foster a welcoming and inclusive environment in Arnprior.
- Adrian Schut, Director of Real Estate Development and Construction with Cahdco, a non-profit real estate developer, presented the findings of the [Portfolio Analysis for the Renfrew County Housing Corporation](#). Select sites within Renfrew County lands and housing portfolio with the highest potential for redevelopment were identified. The report focuses on the current renewal plan with options for replacing a 24-unit property at the end of its useful life for the County of Renfrew and exploring various project scales and built forms to support future housing development.

Announcements

- Renfrew County Municipal Day will take place on Wednesday, September 24, from 3 p.m. to 7 p.m. at the County Administration Building. This family-friendly event will showcase County and municipal services, with interactive displays including Touch-a-Truck, Paint-a-Plow, a mini Taste of the Valley, and more. All municipalities and service partners are invited to participate. We hope to make Municipal Day an annual event that encourages residents to connect with their local government and appreciate the scale and diversity of services provided across Renfrew County.

Development & Property Committee

Presented by: James Brose, Chair

- The Development and Property Committee approved the award of a contract for the design and installation of EV Charging Stations at the County Administration Building site, 9 International Drive, Pembroke, and at Renfrew County Place, 450 O'Brien Road, Renfrew, to Rondeau Electric 1997 Ltd., Pembroke, Ontario, in the amount of \$93,865, plus applicable taxes and \$149,005, plus applicable taxes, respectively. The remaining \$152,870 required for the completion of the projects be drawn from the Building Reserve account.
- Council designated the Taste of the Valley event series as events of municipal significance playing an important cultural, social and economic role in the community. Due to changes in the designation of Farmers' Market events, and in order to continue to support and allow for the sale of craft alcohol products at Taste of the Valley events, the County must apply for a Special Occasion Permit (SOP) from the Alcohol and Gaming Commission of Ontario (AGCO) for the Calabogie and Cobden events, taking place on September 20 and October 18, respectively.

Community Services Committee

Presented by: Anne Giardini, Chair

- Following the Ministry of Education's CWELCC space recalibration, the County of Renfrew was awarded 261 new child-care spaces. In accordance with Council's direction, there were a number of spaces that were approved to be allocated, including an invitation to the three non-CWELCC centres to opt in, extra spaces for a pre-existing school build and the balancing of spaces from our original allocation, resulting in 97 remaining spaces. An open application process was held from June 10-July 15, 2025, with submissions reviewed and assessed in alignment with the County's Directed Growth Plan. The following is a list of organizations that were awarded spaces:
 - Arnprior and District Child Care Services (Leaps and Bounds) – 26 spaces for a new before and after school program at Our Lady of Fatima Elementary School in Renfrew
 - Community Resource Centre (Killaloe) Inc. – 39 spaces for a new child-care centre in Whitewater Region
 - County of Renfrew Licensed Home Child Care – 24 spaces (4 licensed homes) to be opened in priority neighbourhoods
 - Petawawa Military Family Resource Centre (Lil' Troopers South Day Care) – 6 spaces to revise their licence to increase capacity

- The Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing has confirmed the County of Renfrew's funding allocations for the Canada-Ontario Community Housing Initiative (COCHI) and Ontario Priorities Housing Initiative (OPHI) for the 2025-26 fiscal year, along with planned allocations for 2026-27 and 2027-28. The memo received provides a rent-assisted unit target of 12 units for 2025-26, contributing to Ontario's goal of expanding rent-assisted housing by 19,660 units by March 2028. The Ministry also indicates that portable housing benefits under the Canada-Ontario Housing Benefit (COHB) program will continue for current participants, with allocations for new participants yet to be confirmed.
- The Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing has confirmed the 2025-26 Homelessness Prevention Program (HPP) funding allocation in the amount of \$3,569,200. This funding allocation is consistent with the allocation for 2024-25 and aligns with planning allocations communicated in 2023. New reporting requirements have been implemented for 2025-26, including the requirement to report monthly data on individuals moved from encampments to emergency shelters, those moved into housing, and new emergency shelter spaces created.
- Deep Roots Nature and Nursery School Inc. and Petawawa Co-operative Nursery School Inc. (Kinder Connection) have entered the Canada-Wide Early Learning and Child Care (CWELCC) program with the County of Renfrew, effective July 1, 2025 and September 1, 2025, respectively. Deep Roots and Kinder Connection were previously non-CWELCC sites that were offered the opportunity to enroll in the CWELCC system following the County's successful acquisition of additional program spaces. All child-care centres in the County of Renfrew are now operating under CWELCC.

Health Committee

Presented by: Michael Donohue, Chair

- At the August 13 meeting, Paramedic Commander Matt Cruchet and Deputy Chief Nick LeRiche shared the incredible work of the Country of Renfrew Paramedic Service's [Sierra Team – Disaster & Event Support](#). So far in 2025, the Sierra Team has had 87 deployments – nearly double the 44 calls at this time last year – including the large Haliburton Deployment following a severe weather event and loss of critical infrastructure, a fall at the Eagles Nest, Medical Emergency at Gun Lake, Tree Strike at North Depot Lake, Storm/Tornado Response on Opeongo Lake, severe storm at Samuel de Champlain Provincial Park, and a skydiving crash. To date the team has assessed and managed appropriately 200 patients. Commander Cruchet noted complexity, acuity, frequency and duration of Sierra calls have increased substantially. The expansion of text to satellite communication options has resulted in a significant increase in Sierra requests, which also allows Sierra Team Paramedics to make direct patient contact prior to arrival and provide care instructions and ongoing support while simultaneously responding.

Corporate Services Committee

Presented by: Jennifer Murphy, Chair

- County Council approved the following Corporate Policies – Criminal Record Checks (amended); General Unpaid Leave of Absences or Statutory and Non-Statutory Leaves of Absence (amended); and Occupational Health and Safety (amended). These policies are available from Human Resources.

Operations Committee

Presented by: Glenn Doncaster, Chair

- County Council resolved to investigate opportunities to advocate with local MPP Billy Denault, Renfrew-Nipissing-Pembroke, and through municipal conferences for the transfer of the remaining Canadian Pacific (CP) Railway properties, using compiled plans where compatible, in support of the Ottawa Valley Recreational Trail/Algonquin Trail acquisition from CP in a timely manner.
- County Council approved the extension of the following two contracts based on the projected surplus in the 2025 Capital Program:
 - Rehabilitation of County Road 4 (Storyland Road), with the addition from Alex Lane to Highway 17, a distance of approximately 1.42 km, at an approximate cost of \$365,000, plus applicable taxes
 - Rehabilitation of County Road 20 (Castleford Road), with the addition from Eady Road to Humphries Road, a distance of approximately 2.7 km, at an approximate cost of \$1,085,000, plus applicable taxes.
- County Council adopted a by-law, dedicating Block 41 on Plan 547 as part of the public road allowance of County Road 26 (Doran Road), in the Town of Petawawa. This is as a result of a severance file which proposes the creation of an additional lot which would only have frontage along Doran Road.
- County Council approved the request for a new pedestrian crossover at the intersection of County Road 26 (Doran Road) and Herman Street, in the Town of Petawawa. As per County of Renfrew Corporate Policy PW-14, Pedestrian Crossings and Hiking Trail Crossings on County Roads, the Town of Petawawa will be responsible for all costs associated with the initial installation of the Pedestrian Crossing, including signage and pavement markings associated with the crossing, as well as the replacement of the pedestrian crossing and annual pavement markings associated with the crossing. The County of Renfrew will be responsible for the costs associated with the annual operation and maintenance of the pedestrian crossing and signage.
- The approved contracts/tenders were as follows:
 - For the purchase of Portable Traffic Lights from Canada Traffic Supply Inc., St-Mathieu de la Prairie, Quebec, in the amount of \$16,743.
 - For two Sweeper Attachments for Tractors from Colvoy Enterprises 2012 Ltd., Courtland, Ontario, in the amount of \$65,750.
 - For Concrete Gutters and Grates at the White Water Road Patrol from G.P. Splinter Forest Products Ltd., Pembroke, Ontario, in the amount of \$47,914.77.
 - For the Rooftop HVAC Unit at the Cobden Patrol Garage from Valley Refrigeration, Pembroke, Ontario in the amount of \$12,600.
 - For Traffic Signs, Decal and Blanks from Stinson Equipment Ltd., Concord, Ontario in the amount of \$66,276.43. The Towns of Arnprior, Laurentian Hills and the Townships of Bonnechere Valley, Brudenell, Lyndoch & Raglan, Greater Madawaska, Laurentian Valley, Madawaska Valley and Whitewater Region were participants on this tender.
 - For Steel Sign Posts from UCC Industries International, Pickering, Ontario, in the amount of \$39,337.24. The Town of Laurentian Hills and the Townships of Admaston/Bromley, Bonnechere Valley, Brudenell, Lyndoch & Raglan, Greater Madawaska, Head, Clara & Maria, Horton and Madawaska Valley were participants on this tender.

- For Winter Sand at the Cobden Patrol from W.W. Siegel Sand & Gravel Ltd., Pembroke, Ontario, in the amount of \$17875.
- For Winter Sand at the Goshen Patrol from McCrea Excavating Ltd., Pembroke, Ontario, in the amount of \$27,120.
- For Winter Sand at the Southwest Patrol from G.P. Splinter Forest Products Ltd., Pembroke, Ontario in the amount of \$46,800. The Township of Brudenell, Lyndoch and Raglan was a participant on this tender.
- For Winter Sand at the White Water Road Patrol from W.W. Siegel Sand & Gravel Ltd., Pembroke, Ontario, in the amount of \$15,750.
- Winter Sand at the Golden Lake Garage from G.P. Splinter Forest Products Ltd., Pembroke, Ontario, in the amount of \$8,450.
- Concrete Curb Replacement on Siberia Road from D. Rock Paving, Brampton, Ontario, in the amount of \$64,617.02. The Township of Madawaska Valley was a participant on this tender. The Township of Madawaska Valley was a participant on this tender.
- For the rehabilitation of County Road 20 (Castleford Road), from 275m east of Highway 17 to Eady Road, a distance of approximately 3.12km, in the Township of Horton, as submitted by B.R. Fulton Construction Limited, Renfrew, Ontario, in the amount of \$1,257,665.25, plus applicable taxes.
- For the rehabilitation of County Road 71 (Matawatchan Road), from Civic Address 4882 to County Road 65 (Centennial Lake Road), a distance of approximately 3.29km, Township of Greater Madawaska, as submitted by Bonnechere Excavating Inc., Renfrew, Ontario, in the amount of \$693,494.40, plus applicable taxes.
- For construction of the Algonquin Trail, from Yates Road to Crossing Road, a distance of 16.4km, United Townships of Head, Clara, and Maria, as submitted by G.P. Splinter Forest Products Ltd., Pembroke, Ontario in the amount of \$815,858.69, plus applicable taxes.
- For a Hydrovac Trailer as submitted by Wachs Canada Ltd., Newmarket, Ontario, in the amount of \$118,850, plus applicable taxes.
- Construction on County Structure C201 (Broomes Creek Culvert and Dam) resumed July 2, 2025, under emergent conditions due to the deteriorating dam, following a permit delay from the Ministry of Natural Resources. A permit was approved July 31, 2025. A Change Order was issued for stand-by costs, partially offset by County-led coordination with Hydro One. Completion is now expected beyond 2025, with potential additional costs and winter maintenance impacts being discussed with Whitewater Region staff.

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County of Renfrew officials attend 2025 AMO Conference in Ottawa

Posted on Thursday, August 21, 2025



County of Renfrew officials met with the Honourable Prabmeet Singh Sarkaria, Ontario's Minister of Transportation at the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO) Conference in Ottawa earlier this week. Also taking part in the meeting (from left) were Chief Administrative Officer Craig Kelley; Renfrew-Nipissing-Pembroke MPP Billy Denault, Parliamentary Assistant to the Minister of Tourism, Culture and Gaming; Councillor Glenn Doncaster, Operations Committee Chair; Renfrew County Warden Peter Emon and Lee Perkins, Director of Public Works and Engineering.

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August 21, 2025

Representatives from the County of Renfrew met with several Members of Provincial Parliament during the 2025 Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO) Conference, advocating for funding towards initiatives to enhance the lives of Renfrew County residents.

The annual conference, held in Ottawa from August 17-20, 2025, is one of the largest and most influential gatherings for municipal leaders and staff in the

province and attracted close to 3,000 participants from hundreds of municipalities and organizations across Ontario.

Renfrew County Warden Peter Emon said the participation of County Councillors at the AMO Conference is crucial in advancing local and rural priorities to ensure that the needs of the community are heard at the provincial level.

"We were able to have some concentrated conversations with Ministers or their designates on a variety of issues," he said. "It is important to provide context and on-the-ground facts to the Province as it develops, implements, recalibrates policy or replenishes funds serving our community.

Aside from having dozens of speakers, sessions and workshops to choose from, Renfrew County elected officials and senior staff attended 10 delegation meetings before provincial ministries to discuss issues that directly impact service delivery and quality of life in Renfrew County:

- Ministry of Education – Advocated for continued EarlyON funding to support families through early childhood programs
- Ministry of Colleges, Universities, Research Excellence and Security – Requested expansion of Learn and Stay Grant eligibility for Primary Care and Advanced Care Paramedics in rural Eastern Ontario
- Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Agribusiness – Discussed funding to protect farmland through a coordinated regional plan
- Ministry of Energy and Mines – Raised concerns about outdated electrical grid infrastructure and its impact on rural development
- Ministry of Tourism, Culture and Gaming – Requested funding for the Algonquin Trail bridge near Highway 17 at Bissett Creek; proposed updates to Municipal Accommodation Tax regulations for rural communities and advocated for increased base funding for the Ontario Highlands Tourism Organization
- Ministry of Health – Called for continued funding for Mesa's Mental Health, Addictions, and Homelessness Outreach Teams
- Ministry of Economic Development, Job Creation and Trade – Requested increased core funding for Business Enterprise Centres, including Enterprise Renfrew County
- Ministry of Transportation – Proposed innovative safety and traffic solutions for the ongoing expansion of Highway 17
- Ministry of Emergency Preparedness and Response – Advocated for Automatic Aid Agreements between paramedic services across Ontario to improve emergency response

- Ministry of Children, Community and Social Services – Urged updates to Ontario Works rates to reflect inflation and better support vulnerable residents

Warden Emon noted the objective at the 2025 AMO conference was to discuss workable solutions with key decision-makers to enhance the community. He also credited Chief Administrative Office Craig Kelley and the Senior Leadership Team for producing on-point and comprehensive documents outlining past achievements and requesting further investments.

“This led to meaningful discussions during the meetings and in the hallways throughout the Conference,” he added. “County Councillors worked hard in and out of delegation sessions to provide depth on the needs of our community, our successes and our plans for the future.”

The Warden also thanked Renfrew-Nipissing-Pembroke MPP Billy Denault for his continued support in advocating for key issues within Renfrew County.

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August 21, 2025

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- AMO's first-ever Indigenous Reconciliation Action Plan.
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- 2025 PJ Marshall Municipal Innovation Award winners.
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- AMO Trade and Tariff Forum – October 24: Building Ontario's Economic Resilience.
- Registration for AMO's Second Annual Healthy Democracy Forum is open.
- AMO fall education workshops.
- 2025 All Risk Municipal Grant winners.
- Report on Food Insecurity & Food Affordability in Ontario.
- Ontario Professional Planners Institute launches free workshop series.
- New guidance for Battery Energy Storage System (BESS) safety.
- Careers.

AMO Matters

AMO welcomed over 3,000 attendees to the host city of Ottawa for three days of education, delegation meetings and networking opportunities. Thank you to our generous host, the City of Ottawa, sponsors, exhibitors and all who attended for making AMO 2025 a great success.

AMO launched its first-ever [Indigenous Reconciliation Action Plan](#) at the AMO Conference. This plan represents AMO's next major, concrete step towards reconciliation and reflects AMO's commitment to fostering relationships, listening, learning, and honouring Indigenous Peoples' rights.

At the 2025 AMO Conference, Premier Ford announced a [funding boost to the Municipal Housing Infrastructure Program](#), which is a big step towards responding to AMO's call for municipal stimulus funding. Municipal infrastructure funding will help build more homes, grow the economy, and create job opportunities.

The [City of Kitchener](#) accepted the Peter J. Marshall Municipal Innovation Award at the 2025 AMO Conference in Ottawa on Aug. 19. This award is for its nationally acclaimed City Hall Service Centre.

[Middlesex County](#) accepted the Peter J. Marshall Municipal Innovation Award at the 2025 AMO Conference in Ottawa on Aug. 19. The award is for the CARE First Deployment Initiatives led by Middlesex-London Paramedic Service (MLPS).

The [Town of Collingwood](#) accepted the Peter J. Marshall Municipal Innovation Award at the 2025 AMO Conference in Ottawa on Aug. 19. The award is for the town's rapid accessory dwelling unit program.

Provincial Matters

Unlock streamlined and cost-effective procurement with [Supply Ontario's Enterprise-wide VOR Program](#). Ontario municipalities have access to pre-qualified vendors for cost-effective goods and services under standardized terms, conditions, and pricing.

The Ontario government is providing almost \$3 million through the [Ontario Community Environment Fund](#) to support community-based projects that support and restore the environment.

The Ministry of Economic Development, Job Creation and Trade is [accepting applications for project funding](#) that responds to US trade disruption.

The provincial government is soliciting feedback on electricity transmission projects including the [Greenstone](#) Line, [Windsor to Lakeshore](#) Line, [Bowmanville to GTA](#) Line, [Orangeville to Barrie](#) Line, and [Barrie to Sudbury](#) Lines.

The Ministry of Rural Affairs is accepting applications to the modernized [Rural Ontario Development](#) (ROD) Program. Applications are being accepted through four intakes with the first open from June 24 – September 24, 2025.

The Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Agribusiness is [accepting nominations](#) for the 2025 Excellence in Agriculture Award recognizing individuals, businesses and organizations driving excellence in Ontario's agri-food sector.

Education Opportunities

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Subject matter experts will guide you through risks, opportunities and your responsibilities in a number of fall education workshops - planning matters, indigenous community competency, managing communications in crisis and planning for cybersecurity - elected municipal officials are answerable to. [Check out the line up](#) and register today.

LAS

Congratulations to the All Risk Municipal Grant Winners - Town of Midland, County of Huron and Town of Shelbourne. The LAS team awarded these grants in partnership with Intact Public Entities at the 2025 AMO conference.

Municipal Wire*

Public Health Ontario and Ontario Dieticians in Public Health released a report on [Food Insecurity & Food Affordability](#) in Ontario. The report highlights rising food insecurity, particularly among households receiving social assistance.

AMO is pleased to support OPPI in developing a [series of free workshops](#), offered both in person and virtually, to address the shortage of planners in Ontario. Registration will open late August, so stay tuned.

Energy Storage Canada and the Energy Safety Response Group have [published new guidance](#) answering common questions and myths about BESS systems. This resource can help municipalities considering hosting projects under the LT2 energy procurement.

Careers

[Supervisor, Facilities Management](#) - Peel Regional Police. Closing Date: September 5, 2025.

[Director of Long-Term Care Services](#) - City of Greater Sudbury. Closing Date: September 12, 2025.

[Senior Policy Analyst/Analyste principal des politiques; analyste principale des politiques](#) - Ministry of Finance/Ministère des Finances. Closing Date: September 12, 2025.

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Federal Matters

The Government of Canada is offering up to \$10.3 million to support initiatives enhancing cyber resilience including innovation, knowledge sharing, and capacity building. [Applications are open](#) until September 25.

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LAS

Join us for our Q3 Risk Management Webinar. Charles Painter, Partner, Dolden LLP will provide an update on the Minimum Maintenance Standards review. [Register here](#).

Join us on Tuesday September 9 @ 2pm to learn how to automate current manual tasks and save claims and related insurance costs. This free webinar will be hosted by our Risk and Claim Management System partner, ClearRisk. [Register here](#).

Municipal Wire*

This [free AdvantAge webinar](#) on October 14 from 1-2pm will share insights related to long-term care governance and compliance for municipal councillors and their staff.

Careers

[Supervisor, Cemetery Administration](#) - City of Waterloo. Closing Date: September 4, 2025.

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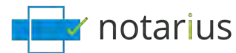
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Join Your Colleagues and Experts in Discussion on Building Ontario's Economic Future

AMO Forum on Trade, Tariffs, and the Municipal Role in Long-Term Economic Growth

October 24, 2025

Sheraton Centre Hotel Toronto-123 Queen Street West

The daily headlines about the trade war continue to evolve, while municipal infrastructure projects are already facing cost escalation, local businesses are looking for new markets and supply chains, and the continued sense of national pride has opened doors for increased local investment.

Understanding that the economic and diplomatic consequences will continue for many years. AMO is assembling members and subject matter experts to plan today for a stronger and stable Ontario.

Today we are pleased to share programming information.

Session One: The future of international trade and what it means for municipalities

Municipalities are grappling with the uncertainty of rapidly changing trade disruption and tariffs. Is the worst behind us or still to come? Are there silver linings to this time of uncertainty? This session will help provide a clear understanding of the current landscape and projections about what might be still to come.

Session Two: Building Ontario in Uncertain Times

Municipal infrastructure construction is critical for economic growth across Ontario but the construction and infrastructure sector are facing cost escalation and supply chain disruption. Hear from experts on the vital role municipalities play in finding solutions and driving continued infrastructure development across Ontario despite current uncertainties.

Session Three: How Municipalities can Advance Provincial and Federal Approaches to Economic Development

With uncertainty outside our borders, it is increasingly important that all three orders of government are aligned and working together. Hear from senior provincial and federal leaders on how municipalities can support Ontario and pan-Canadian approaches to economic development and procurement.

Session Four: Municipal Tools to Drive Local Economic Development

While the federal government and province are primarily responsible for foreign relations and international trade, municipalities best know their communities, businesses, and local needs. Hear from municipal and business leaders on how municipalities can work with local businesses and business associations and take advantage of local knowledge to increase the longer-term economic resiliency of our communities.

Session five: Popcorn Session

Open discussion opportunity for attendees to share local experiences and best practices and provide advice on how AMO can best advocate on behalf of municipalities through the continued international uncertainty.

Registration Information

\$375.00 plus HST. [Click here to register.](#)

Accommodations

[Sheraton Centre Toronto Hotel, 123 Queen Street West](#)

AMO has secured preferred rates of \$349 per night until October 2, 2025. After that date, rooms may be available at the Sheraton at market rate.

[Click Here to book your accommodations](#)

For any questions, feel free to contact us at events@amo.on.ca.

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AMO Policy Update - Build Canada Homes Market Sounding Submission, New Process for Inter-Provincial Labour Mobility

Key Insights

- AMO submitted comments on Building Canada Homes outlining ways the new approach can practically achieve scale, speed, and affordability in municipalities across Ontario.
- The province announced a new streamlined process that will allow out-of-province workers in regulated professions to work in Ontario within 10 days. The process responds to AMO's call to limit liability for municipalities who hire workers under the new process.

AMO Responds to Build Canada Homes Market Sounding on Design and Implementation

AMO [provided a submission](#) to the federal government in response to the market sounding about the proposal to establish Build Canada Homes (BCH), a new federal entity with an ambitious plan and mandate to create up to 500,000 new homes annually across Canada. AMO has called on the federal government to:

- Collaborate with municipalities, DSSABs and the provincial government
- Focus on deeply affordable housing, including the acquisition, development and maintenance of community and supportive housing
- Provide significant funding contributions over low-cost financing
- Build housing supply in communities across Ontario – big and small, rural and urban, northern and southern
- Invest in housing enabling infrastructure in order to support new housing

Province Announces Streamlined Process for Inter-Provincial Labour Mobility

The Ontario government [has announced](#) a [streamlined process](#) for Canadians in regulated professions to work in Ontario. Starting January 1, 2026, regulatory authorities will have 10 days to review credentials from qualified workers and certify them to work in Ontario for up to six months while completing their full application to register with the authority.

The new process responds to [AMO's request](#) to ensure regulatory authorities have full professional oversight to investigate and respond to complaints about out-of-province workers who are not yet fully licenced. This will reduce liability for employers – including municipalities – who hire workers under the new streamlined process.

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Policy Update - 2025 AMO Conference Highlights and Highway Advocacy

Key Insights

- Province announced \$1.6 billion in new municipal infrastructure funding at the AMO Conference, which responds to AMO's call for infrastructure stimulus
- AMO advocates to improve the Trans-Canada highway in the north

2025 AMO Conference Highlights

Thank you to everyone who attended!

Infrastructure Funding

The top provincial announcement at the conference was an additional \$1.6 billion for the Municipal Housing Infrastructure Program. AMO welcomes this boost in funding for core infrastructure projects like roads and water systems, which support communities and growth. AMO has called for such investments to support growth, build more homes, and provide economic stimulus amid ongoing trade disputes and global economic uncertainty. Our advocacy, including a [pre-conference letter to Ministers Surma and Flack](#), highlights that while municipalities are committed to the province's ambitious growth

agenda, they need the necessary infrastructure funding to achieve it. In fact, a recent AMO survey found that despite rising construction costs, municipalities are increasing their infrastructure investment this year to support more housing and economic development.

Other Highlights

- *Indigenous relations:* AMO launched its first [Indigenous Relations Action Plan](#), developed with Indigenous partners and municipal sector leaders to strengthen municipal-Indigenous relationships.
- *Member engagement:* We held three innovative **“Have Your Say” sessions** to gather direct feedback from you on our key policy priorities and advocacy. We’ll be sharing a summary of what we heard and how we will use your valuable insights soon.
- *Member resources:* Use these [priority key messages](#) to continue the conversations you started at delegations last week.

Advocacy to Improve Northern Ontario Highways

On August 8, [AMO wrote to provincial and federal transportation ministers](#) to endorse the Federation of Northern Ontario Municipalities’ proposal for Trans-Canada Highway improvements. The proposal calls for a 2+1 highway solution for Highways 11 and 17 to enhance their safety and reliability. These improvements are critical to Ontario's and Canada's economic strength, as they facilitate trade, support the national economy, and address internal barriers to a unified Canadian market.

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CHIEF & COUNCIL UPDATE

August 22, 2025

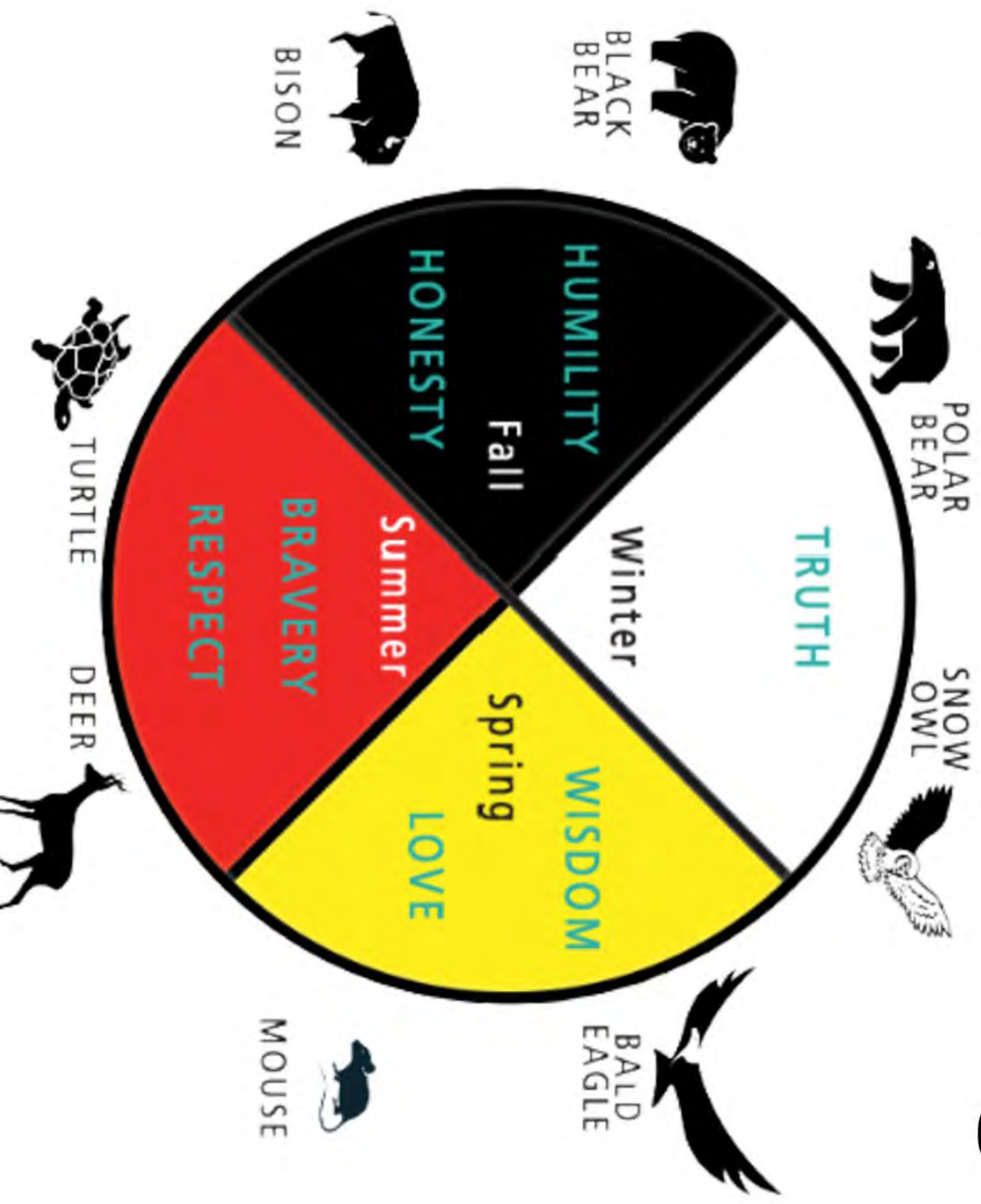
It was a weekend to remember in Pikwakanagan as hundreds of visitors, family, friends and neighbors came together to celebrate our 36th annual Traditional Pow Wow on the Cultural Grounds.

This year's theme was "Dancing Heals Our Spirits" and events officially got underway with a Sunrise Ceremony on Saturday morning. A total of 217 dancers were registered along with 6 drum groups including Big Spirit, K Town, Kitchisipirini, and Pikwakanagan's own youth drum group "Papase", and host drum Spirit Wolf. Over a dozen craft vendors were on hand in addition to the many food vendors. Thank you to MC Kevin Lemarr, MC Fred McGregor and Arena Director Greg Meekis for keeping everything running smoothly. A big thank you (Meegwech) also goes out to the dozens of volunteers and the pow wow committee who helped keep everyone safe and hydrated over the course of the weekend.



Chief Greg Sarazin unveiled the new Pikwakanagan Eagle Staff during the Grand Entry. Chief Sarazin goes on to say that our pow wow was a beautiful reminder of who we are as a people — strong, resilient, and deeply rooted in our traditions. **"I thank everyone who joined us, honoured our ways, and helped make this pow wow such a powerful expression of our culture and community."**

7 Grandfather Teachings



END LATERAL VIOLENCE

Lateral violence describes harmful, aggressive, and hostile behaviors that occur between individuals or groups who share a similar social status, position, or community, rather than being directed toward those in positions of greater power.

It is often expressed through:

- Gossiping, backstabbing, and spreading rumors
- Shaming, blaming, or scapegoating others
- Excluding or isolating individuals
- Undermining, bullying, or sabotaging efforts
- Passive-aggressive behavior, verbal abuse, or non-cooperation

Lateral violence is widely recognized as a manifestation of systemic racism, and historical trauma. When communities or groups are oppressed for long periods of time, the anger and frustration that cannot safely be expressed toward the true source of oppression (such as colonial systems, institutions, or structures of power) may instead be turned inward against peers, colleagues, or community members.

TOTAL FIRE BAN

An extreme risk of forest and brush fires has escalated the response from local townships and their fire departments.

As the Ministry of Natural Resources warns that conditions across the Ottawa Valley are dangerously hot and dry, communities in and around Renfrew, Arnprior, and Pembroke, as well as the rest of Renfrew County, are now under total or partial fire bans.

Total fire bans restrict most types of open-air burning, including campfires, brush burning, burn barrels, incinerators, and fireworks.

Anyone caught starting a fire while under a ban could be liable for any firefighting costs involved should the fire get out of control.

Residents in the affected area can still use CSA-approved propane and natural gas appliances, like barbeques and camp stoves, but fire chiefs across Renfrew County are asking for them to be used with caution.





AOPFN Limited Partnership

August 2025

To all AOPFN Band Members

Re: Kilby Property 12127 & 12239 Highway 60 (Farm and Beach Property)

The Kilby Farm and Beach Property was purchased in 2021 by 2480446 Ontario Inc., AOPFN's land holding corporation. **The property is managed by AOPFN Limited Partnership** for economic development purposes.

In the past, there has been confusion and misunderstanding regarding the usage of this property. Some band members have used the property without permission. A small number of individuals have also caused damage. Unauthorized use and damage create significant risks for AOPFN, including legal liabilities and increased insurance costs.

The Kilby Farm property is NOT a park or a campground. The property should be treated like any other part of our community that has been allocated to a specific purpose.

Unauthorized use of the property will not be tolerated.

The AOPFN Limited Partnership will notify the OPP of any unauthorized access or damage to the property.

Unauthorized use will result in **trespassing** charges. The OPP is prepared to press **more severe charges** if damage occurs.

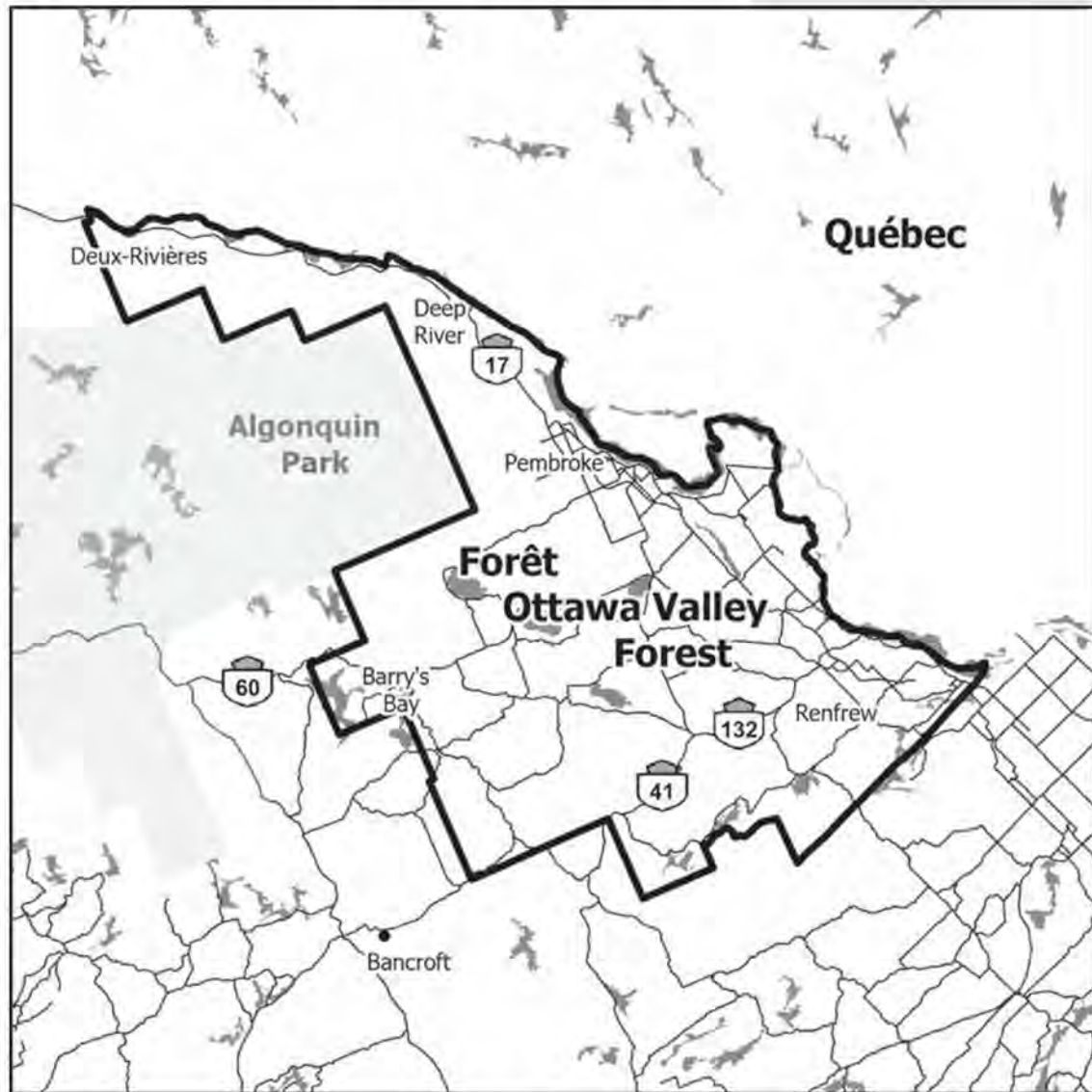
The Kilby Farm and Beach Property needs to be maintained and protected for uses that benefit the community as a whole; it is not for individuals to use for their own entertainment.

Thanks for your cooperation. We wish you a happy and safe long weekend!

Inspection

Inspection of Herbicide Project for Ottawa Valley Forest

The Ontario **Ministry of Natural Resources (MNR)** invites you to inspect the planned herbicide project for the 2025 season. As part of our ongoing efforts to regenerate and protect Ontario's forests, selected stands on the **Ottawa Valley Forest** (see map) will be sprayed with herbicide to control competing vegetation, starting on or about: **September 1, 2025**.



The project description and project plan for the herbicide project is available electronically for inspection by contacting the **Ottawa Valley Forest Inc.** during normal business hours and on the Natural Resources Information Portal at <https://nrip.mnr.gov.on.ca/s/fmp-online> beginning **July 31, 2025** until **March 31, 2026** when the Annual Work Schedule expires.

First Nation and Métis communities and interested and affected persons and organizations can arrange a remote or in-person meeting with MNR staff to discuss the herbicide project. For more information, please contact:

Aidan Holland, R.P.F.
Ministry of Natural Resources
31 Riverside Drive
Pembroke, ON K8A 8R6
tel: 613-401-0960
e-mail: aidan.holland@ontario.ca

Nick Gooderham, R.P.F.
Ottawa Valley Forest Inc.
195 Brazeau Road
Pembroke, ON K8A 6W4
tel: 613-735-1888 ext. 201
e-mail: ngooderham@ovfi.ca

NOTICE

BRIDGE CLOSURE

RADIANT LAKE / ODENBACK AREA

THE AFA HAS RESTORED ACCESS TO THE RADIANT LAKE & ODENBACK AREA, BUT THE BRIDGE JUST SOUTH OF THE OLD ODENBACK MILL SITE IS IN VERY POOR CONDITION AND POSES A SERIOUS SAFETY RISK.

 **THE BRIDGE IS CLOSED TO ALL USE (VEHICLES, ATVS, SNOWMOBILES, PEDESTRIANS, ETC.)**

 **RISK OF COLLAPSE DUE TO SEVERE DETERIORATION OF THE SUPPORT STRUCTURE**

 **WE ARE ASSESSING LONG-TERM SOLUTIONS AND UNDERSTAND THE IMPORTANCE OF ACCESS TO THE AREA.**

PLEASE AVOID THE SITE AND RESPECT THE CLOSURE FOR YOUR SAFETY.

**FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION CONTACT THE NATURAL RESOURCES DEPARTMENT
613-625-2800 EXT.253**

ADITYAGÀOMIN- KÍZIS
AUGUST 2025

MANÀDJITÀGANIWAN SUNDAY	METISOWINI-KIJD MONDAY	ÀNUENI-KIJIGAD TUESDAY	SÒZEP-KIJIGAD WEDNESDAY	ISHPINIGANIWAN THURSDAY	CHIBAYÀTIGO-KIJIGAD FRIDAY	MÀNÌ-KIJIGAD SATURDAY
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
Civic Holiday						
10	11	12	13 Algonquin Park Fisheries and Aquatic Ecosystem Monitoring	14 Estelle Amikons Retirement Celebration	15 Elk and Moose Application Deadline	16 Traditional Pow wow
17	18	19 Community meeting Renfrew County Legal Clinic	20	21	22 Elk and Moose Draw Date	23 Cultural Night Market
Traditional Pow wow	24	25	26	27	28	29
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Community Health August 2025

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1 Office closed at 12:00pm	2 
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Algonquins of
Pikwakanagan
Health Services



Happy August!

May this month
be filled with
sunny days, laughter,
and lots of love.



 **St. Mary's**
Community Health Services



CULTURAL NIGHT MARKET

August 23, 2025 | 4-9 pm
Downtown Arnprior

Live Performers
Visual Artists
Various Vendors

arnprior.ca/nightmarket



WOMENS

• S W E A T •

August 27, 2025 7 p.m.

Location: back parking lot of Cultural Grounds



Conductor

Elaine Kicknosway

Swampy Cree- Peter Ballantyne Cree Nation

Info

- For women and those who identify as women
- Wear what you would in ceremony (if unsure please reach out to email below)
 - Food will be provided when ceremony is complete
 - Fire will be lit at 5 p.m.
- For any questions specific to the ceremony please reach out via email.

Please contact

kevinlamarr@gmail.com



Meal Preparation **BUDGETING**

Meal prep allows you to make whole meals or dishes ahead of schedule. It is a very popular way to plan out our meals for the week and enjoy ready-made meals during busy work weeks on schedule.

Meal prepping can also help with our grocery budget. Some of what you will learn during this session is how to:

- Stick to a consistent schedule
- Pick the right combination of recipes
- Organize your prep and cook times
- Make a shopping List

Date: Wednesday, August 27, 2025

Time: 1:00 p.m. to 2:00 p.m. EST

Registration Link: <https://soadi.wufoo.com/forms/s1xdqxnk1c6rt5a/>

For more information contact
Crystal Bomberry at traininglead@idhc.life.





Supporting You To Take Control Of Your Health



Living A Healthy Life With Chronic Conditions Online Wednesdays, August 27th-October 1st 1:00 PM to 3:30 PM

“Living a Healthy Life with Chronic Conditions is a six week workshop for anyone with a chronic health condition as well as their family members and/or caregivers. This could include diabetes, heart disease, arthritis, lung disease, and other chronic health issues. Anyone can register themselves for a workshop; no referral from a health care professional is needed. Workshops are highly interactive.”

“You will be in a group of 6-12 people with two peer leaders. You can choose whether or not to be seen on camera.”

Visit www.livinghealthychamplain.ca to register or contact our Chronic Disease Management Nurse Taylor for assistance registering at 613-625-2259 ext. 209



Algonquins of Pikwakanagan First Nation

Join Chief and Council for an update and discussions on

Treaty Negotiations

Meet Pikwakanagan's Treaty Negotiation lawyer

Bruce McIvor of First Peoples Law

Saturday, September 6, 2025

Makwa Community Centre

83 Kagagimin Inamo, Pikwakanagan, ON, K0J 1X0



zoom

ID: 613 625 2800

Pass: Niganizi

Lunch: 11:30 am – 12:30 pm

Presentations: Beginning at 12:30 pm

Chief and Council 613-625-2800 EXT 228

News & Events:

Start the Conversation: What Everyone Needs to Know About Heart Disease

WE WELCOME MEN AND WOMEN OF ALL AGES AND ALL CULTURES.



Call Taylor at Health Services 613-625-2259 ext 209 to sign up.
Men and Women of all ages welcome!

- Explore how Canada is working to improve heart care for women and diverse communities, and understand the impact of heart disease on Canadians.
- Learn what heart disease is and how it affects men and women differently, including the key signs, symptoms, and treatments.
- Discover simple ways to keep your heart healthy and prevent heart disease.

Date: Friday September 12th, 2025 **Time:** 11:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. **Free Lunch and beverages provided** **Location:** The Elders Lodge
Presented by: Marion Martell, Women@Heart Program Ambassador, Canadian Women's Heart Health Center University of Ottawa Heart Institute Also with our Chronic Disease Management Nurse Taylor and Dietician Jenna Walsh.



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HER HEART MATTERS
WEAR RED CANADA • FEB 13

RENFREW COUNTY LEGAL CLINIC IS ATTENDING AOPF

What the RCLC can assist with:

- Ontario Works (OW)
- Ontario Disability Support Program (ODSP)
- Housing Law (for tenants only)
- Canada Pension Plan
- Workplace Safety and Insurance Board (WSIB)
- Human Rights
- Employment Law (non-union matters)
- Debt and Collection Agencies
- Services for Victims of Crime
- Seniors Law
- Sexual Harassment in the Workplace



RENFREW COUNTY LEGAL CLINIC

THINGS TO KNOW:

- Renfrew County Legal Clinic will be attending the Health Services Building once a month to offer free legal advice and support.
- No appointment needed.
- First come, first serve basis.

FOR MORE INFORMATION CALL
EMMA, THE RESTORATIVE
JUSTICE WORKER AT AOPF

THE RENFREW COUNTY LEGAL
CLINIC WILL BE HERE:

September 16, 2025 2:30-4:30

Please stay tuned for more dates.

(613) 625-2259 Ext 245

1643 Mishomis Inamo,
Pikakanagan, ON



Get ready for a fun-filled day at the Cornhole Tournament Fundraiser! The tournament will be held outdoors on the lawn, with teams of 2 to 4 players.

Enjoy light refreshments and snacks available for purchase, including beer, spirits, non-alcoholic beverages and The Pembroke Professional Fire Fighters Association will be cooking up a "Corn", old-fashioned corn roast with all the fixings and hot dogs.

Event Highlights

- Silent Auction
- Door Prizes
- Tournament winner prizes!

SEPT. 6, 2025

\$20 PER PERSON

1032 PEMBROKE ST E. PEMBROKE, ON



REGISTRATION
STARTS AT 10AM;
GAMES 10:30AM -
3:30PM

FOR MORE INFORMATION: CURATOR @UOVHERITAGECENTRE.CA 613-735-0517

Women's Heart Health Lunch and Learn Friday Sept 12th: Meet

✿ Marion Martell ✿



Marion has been involved working within a community setting throughout her career. Her focus has been in areas of health, management, business development, sales, coaching, training, communications, and charity work.

In 2007 Marion became involved with fundraising for the University of Ottawa Heart Institute Foundation and served as co-chair to a charity fund raising event. This was an all female golf charity tournament raising awareness of heart disease in women and raised over \$1,000,000 for the Canadian Women's Heart Health Centre (CWHHC) at the University of Ottawa Heart Institute.

Marion herself is a Heart Patient Survivor. In 2008 Marion was diagnosed with Complete Heart Block requiring a Permanent Pacemaker. Thanks to the Heart Institute and all the staff for their great care. She feels great today.

She is involved with Canadian Women's Heart Health Alliance on the Community Presentation Project. Come join her in a Women's Heart Health Presentation at The Elders Lodge Friday Sept 12th. See flyer for sign up information.

NEYAGADA WABANDANGAKI

Culture Camp

**THEME: BIRCH
BARK/CANOE**

SEPTEMBER 29 - OCTOBER 3



Day 1: Harvest Teaching

On the first day, we will tour the Community and learn about the traditional birch bark canoe making process. Although it is past the harvest season, a Knowledge Holder will explain how the materials are gathered.



Day 2-4: Birch Workshop

For 3 days, participants will work hands-on with birch bark, learning traditional techniques to craft meaningful items that reflect our connection to the land and water.



Day 5: First Paddle Ceremony

Last day of the camp is dedicated to the launching of the full-sized birch bark canoe built by the Neyagada Wabandangak Guardians under the guidance of Crockett Sarazin, a ceremonial feast to follow.

**LIMITED SEATS
AVAILABLE
RSVP BY
SEPTEMBER 19
EMAIL BELOW**



469 Kokomis Inamo - Guardian Trailer



(613) 401 - 5521



projectco.nwgp@pikwakanagan.ca





Algonquins of Pikwakanagan
First Nation Health Services



VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Love fresh air, good company, and making a real impact? Whether you have a green thumb or just want to learn, your community garden needs you!

Join us in cultivating fresh produce, shared spaces, and stronger connections at the Manor.

We Need Help With:

Building and maintaining
garden beds



Planting, watering, and harvesting



Weeding and Water



Perks of Volunteering:

Learn gardening and
sustainability tips



Enjoy fresh produce you help
grow



Help the community



ALL WEEK

ENDS ON SEPTEMBER
30TH, 2025



TENNISCO MANOR

1669 Mishomis Inamo K0J
1X0



Email For Registration
connorzack3@gmail.com



Call For Registration

613-402-0846



INTERIOR SYSTEMS CARPENTRY JOB READINESS PROGRAM FOR INDIGENOUS PEOPLE

START DATE:

OCT. 27TH

8 WEEK PROGRAM

1-4TH week: Learn theory & Practical Skills

5-8TH week: Job Placement

Application Deadline:
Tuesday, September 30th

DRYWALL

FRAMING

SAFETY CERTIFICATIONS

+ MUCH MORE



• (613) 276-8375

• ross.holden@mobileresources.ca

TO APPLY:

Contact Ross Holden at
Mobile Resources
Group

@local_2041

Carpenters' Union Local 2041



**\$800/WEEK
COMPENSATION
PPE & MILWAUKEE
TOOLS PROVIDED**

This Employment Ontario Program is
funded in part by the Government of
Canada and the Government of Ontario.

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Ontario

Supporting First Nations Children

Meet Your Jordan's Principle Navigator

Hello, my name is Pamela Scheel, and I am the Jordan's Principle Navigator for the Algonquins of Pikwakanagan First Nation, currently working within Health Services. Since 2024, I have been dedicated to supporting children and families in the community by helping them access essential services and funding through Jordan's Principle.



How I Can Help

- ✓ Assist with individual and family requests
- ✓ Follow up on existing applications
- ✓ Coordinate supports and services
- ✓ Help with the appeals process



What Is Jordan's Principle?



Jordan's Principle ensures First Nations children 0-17 can access public services when they need them. Requests must be linked to a health, education, or social need and are reviewed on a case-by-case basis.

Examples of Possible Supports

- 🏥 Health Supports: Medical supplies, dental, and vision care
- 📖 Education Supports: Psychological assessments, tutoring, assistive technology
- 🏠 Social Supports: Cultural activities, daily living needs (clothing, food, hygiene)
- 💚 Mental Health Supports: Counseling, respite support, behavioral guidance
- 🧸 Specialized Equipment & Sensory Items: Weighted blankets, noise-cancelling headphones
- 🧘 Therapy Supports: Occupational, physical, speech therapy

If you have or know a child who needs support, please don't hesitate to contact me.

AOPFN Health Services & Tennisco Manor



AGING IN PLACE

Calling all clients, community members 50+ and caregivers! Please take 5 minutes to complete which survey(s) applies to you.

Scan for
COMMUNITY survey



Scan for
CAREGIVER survey



TENNISCO MANOR & HEALTH SERVICES - AGING IN PLACE STUDY



For the Algonquins of Pikwakanagan First Nation, supporting our aging population is not just a service – it's one of our core values. As our community grows older, the need for Aging in Place supports is becoming greater than ever. Dementia rates among Indigenous people are expected to rise by 273% by 2050, making it even more important to plan ahead. These services help our loved ones stay safe and cared for at home, while reducing the need for hospital or long-term care placements.

At the same time, Ontario is facing a shortage of nurses and personal support workers, which adds to the challenge. That's why investing in Aging in Place is the most respectful and culturally meaningful way to care for our people. We encourage all of our community members to start thinking about what Aging in Place means for you – what supports you may need and how we can work together to make it possible.

We are inviting community members to take part in our survey. It can be done at home with help from our staff. We're especially looking for:

- Clients
- Caregivers
- And community members aged 50+, but others may be contacted as well.

**If interested, please reach out to Tennisco Manor
(613-625-1230) for more information**

Resource Numbers:

ADDICTION *Resources*

Addictions Counsellors:

Gillian McKay
&
Sabrina
Laframboise

613-625-2259

After Hours: Drug
Alcohol, Gambling
Hotline:

1-866-531-2600

Renfrew County Community Withdrawal Management:

613-432-7620

After Hours:
National Overdose
Prevention Line:

1-888-688-6677

Medical & Foodbank *Resources*

VTAC:

1-844-727-6404

Telahealth

1-866-797-0000

Poison Control

1-800-268-9017

The Sharing Place
Golden Lake
(11185 Hwy 60)

613-625-2600

Food Vouchers
(Pikwakanagan Social
Services)

613-639-1633

Pikwakanagan Drug Tip Line

OPP Community Street Crime Unit in Renfrew County have established a drug tip line for Pikwakanagan First Nation. The number is:
613-689-0805.

The tip line will be monitored by Detectives within the Community Street Crime Unit (CSCU). Messages will be checked regularly. If the caller wishes to be called back, an investigator will return the call.

This line is only intended for drug-related information.

Any emergency requests for police assistance or other call for service should go through normal channels.

Renfrew County Crimestoppers is still available for drug and non-drug related tips.

- Pikwakanagan Drug Tip Line: 613-639-0805
- Renfrew County Crimestoppers: 1-800-222-8477
- Any Emergency call: 911
- OPP non-emergency line: 1-888-310-1122



Algonquins of Pikwakanagan First Nation Community Support Personnel

Who are the CSP

A group of trained individuals who support the community by assisting local Ambulance and Police services, engaging in community crisis support and actively ensuring the safety and well-being of the community members.



- Operates 7 days a week
- Wellness Checks
- Assist with special events & recreation
- Assist where they are needed
- Providing support to the community
- Ensuring the safety & well-being of the residents

Your privacy matters to us. Any contact information you provide will remain strictly confidential and never be shared with any third parties without your consent.



613-401-7446



csp@pikwakanagan.ca



AOP_{FN} Limited Partnership

MURAL PROJECT

CALLING ALL AOPFN ARTISTS!

AOPFN Limited Partnership is facilitating a mural to be created by one of our own members. If you're an aspiring artist, this is your chance to make your mark!

- ☒ **PAID opportunity**
- ☒ **Celebrate Algonquin identity**
- ☒ **Leave a legacy for future generations**

Theme: Culture • Land • Community • Future


Location: National Capital Region

Apply by: 4:30 PM August 31st 2025

FOR MORE INFORMATION:

Contact

Crystal Benoit bdo@pikwakanagan.ca or
Grant Summers procurement.officer@pikwakanagan.ca

 613-625-1551

**Let's paint something meaningful together.
Chi Miigwetch!**



AOPFN EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

Harvest Monitor

Department: Natural Resources

**Supervisor: Manager - Natural Resources \$20.00 hourly
plus travel - 40 hours a week - Seasonal - Up to 5 position
October 9, 2025 to November 27, 2025 Deadline to Apply:**

August 29, 2025

- Maintain a monitoring station at a designated area as per the schedule of work During the
- scheduled hours and paid times that the monitors are on duty, they will ensure that they are the only person in the vehicle unless it is for an emergency Prepares the equipment and
- ensures all equipment is in good working order Performs daily check-ins with base monitor
- when you leave Pikwakanagan, when arriving at the station, and arriving back in Pikwakanagan to ensures the safety. Collect and record as much information as possible
- from person(s) entering or exiting Algonquin Park. Record the name of the person(s) in the vehicle with their ID or status number and the community that they are from. Collect information about where they are hunting (mile marker) and any other information that you can i.e. vehicle model, color, license plate numbers from vehicle, ATV's and trailers etc.
- Report any successful harvest to base monitor
- Provide information when asked about the Code of Conduct and AOPFN Harvest Plan.
- Report any alleged or possible violations of the Code of Conduct immediately to the Base Monitor.
- Collect and compile records of harvest data and communicate all activities daily and regularly.
- Complete and submit weekly reports of activities to the Harvest Department.
- Maintain a high level of confidentiality and follow the Code of Ethics.
- Perform other duties as may be required.

For full Job Description please email hr@pikwakanagan.ca

REQUIREMENTS:

- A valid G2/ G driver's license and consistent access to a reliable vehicle, as travel is expected
- Ability to travel in remote locations with limited cellphone coverage in all weather conditions
- Standard First Aid with CPR/AED as asset The ability to work a flexible schedule (Evenings &
- weekends)

How to Apply

- Cover Letter
- Current Resume
- Three (3) professional/work-related references that include name, phone number and email address.

Submit to:

Human Resources Department
Algonquins of Pikwakanagan First Nation
1657A Mishomis Inamo, Pikwakanagan, Ontario, K0J 1X0

hr@pikwakanagan.ca

Subject Line: Harvest Monitor

Please allow for 24 hours to receive a 'Confirmed Receipt' of your application submission should you apply via email.

Application Procedure: Interested persons must submit a resume demonstrating that they meet the requirements outlined and the names and day contact telephone numbers of three (3) professional references.

Screening Procedure: Applicant must not be a member of the supervisor's immediate family. The best qualified candidate will be defined and determined so as to include the following: Provided the candidate meets the basic requirements of the position and is deemed qualified following the interview process, preference will be given to:

- a) the qualified indigenous person who is an Algonquin; then to,
- b) the qualified indigenous person; then to,
- c) the qualified non-indigenous candidate.

Interviews: Interviews will be conducted in-person or virtually by Teams Meeting. AOPFN has the right to shortlist for interview/assessment purposes of the five (5) most qualified persons and typically establishes an eligibility list.

What Algonquins of Pikwakanagan First Nation Offers

Employee Benefits:

Pension Plan

Paid Sick Days

4% Vacation

Holiday Shutdown

- 14 Provincial and Federal Statutory Holidays
- Half days on Fridays prior to holiday Mondays
- Health Spending Account (Dental, Vision, Prescriptions, etc.)
- Milestone Recognitions & Rewards

We are committed to achieving employment equity and developing a highly capable workforce that is representative of Canadian Society. We therefore encourage women, Indigenous peoples, persons with disabilities, and members of visible minority groups to apply and declare themselves as part of one or more of the above mentioned Employment Equity Designated Groups.

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AOPFN EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

Early Childhood Educator

Department: Mindiwin Manido Day Care

Supervisor: Daycare Supervisor

\$49,628/ annually - 40 hours a week - Full -Time Permanent

Deadline to Apply: Posting will continue until roles are filled.

The Early Childhood Educator is responsible for the overall daily supervision, monitoring, care and nurturing of children enrolled in the Mindiwin Manido Day Care programs; The Early Childhood Educator is responsible for the delivering of a children's educational and developmental program that encompasses a wholistic and interdisciplinary team approach. The Early Childhood Educator will interact and communicate with parents/guardians for the overall benefit for the child and/or children.

- Assists children with nutritional and personal care needs including but not limited to toilet, diapering
- Procedures, personal hygiene and medical.
- Interacts with children and builds positive relationships.
- Ensures an inclusive environment for all children.
- Assists with the development, implementation, evaluation and modification of a children's educational and cultural program.
- Provide activities and opportunities i.e. learning through play that encourage curiosity, exploration, and problem-solving appropriate to the development levels of the children.
- Creates an environment conducive to the learning of Algonquin culture and language development and appropriate to the physical, social, intellectual, and emotional development of the children.
- Observes, guides and facilitates the development and positive behaviour of children.
- Maintains daily journals and/or portfolios of each Childs' progress, including samples of their artwork, writing, etc.

For full Job Description please email hr@pikwakanagan.ca

REQUIREMENETS:

- Successful completion of Post Secondary Education diploma in Early Childhood Education
- 1-year experience working in a licensed child care group setting as an Early Childhood Educator.
- Registered and in "good standing" with the College of Childhood Educators of Ontario (OCEE)

CONDITIONS OF EMPLOYMENT:

- An acceptable Criminal Records Check and Vulnerable Sector Check; annually.
- Certificate of medical health by a physician and complete record of immunization; annually.
- Current First Aid and CPR "Level C" AED certification; annually
- In professional 'Good Standing' with the College of Early Childhood Educators, on an ongoing basis.
- Maintain 'Registration' with the College of Early Childhood Educators on an annual basis.

How to Apply

- Cover Letter
- Current Resume
- Three (3) professional/work-related references that include name, phone number and email address.

Submit to:

Human Resources Department
Algonquins of Pikwakanagan First Nation
1657A Mishomis Inamo, Pikwakanagan, Ontario, K0J 1X0

hr@pikwakanagan.ca

Subject Line: Early Childhood Educator

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AOPFN EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

Personal Support Workers & Homemakers

Department: Health Services

Supervisor: Client Care Coordinator

PSW: \$22.63 hourly + wage enhancement as applicable/ Casual

HOMEMAKER: \$20.00 hourly/ Casual

Deadline to Apply: **Until positions are filled.**

The Personal Support Worker and Homemaker assists clients in a variety of ways with daily routines such as meal preparation, housekeeping, laundry, medical services, and more, while promoting their well-being and sense of belonging through supportive interaction. They are required to maintain strict confidentiality to protect clients' privacy and are expected to build and maintain positive relationships with agencies, Indigenous organizations, and business partners associated with the AOPFN.

DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES:

- Completes client data sheets and other documents required for reports and performance indicators.
- Recognizes, reports and records safety, health risks and security needs for clients.
- Reports incidents and completes reports as required.
- Contacts next of kin or families if required of client's condition or needs.
- Arranges client's health appointments when required.
- Recognizes, reports and records safety, health risks and security needs for clients.
- Assists with personal care.
- Meal preparation planning, preparing and sanitizing
- Housekeeping maintaining bedroom, common areas and etc.

For full Job Description please email hr@pikwakanagan.ca

REQUIREMENTS:

- Demonstrated good written communication skills.
- Possess certification as a Personal Support Worker(asset)
- or Health Care Aid with at least one year of experience in working with seniors or providing personal care.

CONDITIONS OF EMPLOYMENT:

- Acceptable Vulnerable Sector Check and CPIC must be provided as a condition of employment.
- First Aide and CPR Certification or willingness to complete within 3 months of employment
- Cultural awareness training or willingness to complete within 3 months of employment

How to Apply

- Cover Letter
- Current Resume
- Three (3) professional/work-related references that include name, phone number and email address.

Submit to:

Human Resources Department
Algonquins of Pikwakanagan First Nation
1657A Mishomis Inamo, Pikwakanagan, Ontario, KOJ 1X0

hr@pikwakanagan.ca

Subject Line: Resource Teacher

Please allow for 24 hours to receive a 'Confirmed Receipt' of your application submission should you apply via email.

Application Procedure: Interested persons must submit a resume demonstrating that they meet the requirements outlined and the names and day contact telephone numbers of three (3) professional references.

Screening Procedure: Applicant must not be a member of the supervisor's immediate family. The best qualified candidate will be defined and determined so as to include the following: Provided the candidate meets the basic requirements of the position and is deemed qualified following the interview process, preference will be given to:

- a) the qualified indigenous person who is an Algonquin; then to,
- b) the qualified indigenous person; then to,
- c) the qualified non-indigenous candidate.

Interviews: Interviews will be conducted in-person or virtually by Teams Meeting. AOPFN has the right to shortlist for interview/assessment purposes of the five (5) most qualified persons and typically establishes an eligibility list.

What Algonquins of Pikwakanagan First Nation Offers

Employee Benefits:

- Pension Plan
- Paid Sick Days
- 4% Vacation
- Holiday Shutdown
- 14 Provincial and Federal Statutory Holidays
- Half days on Fridays prior to holiday Mondays
- Health Spending Account (Dental, Vision, Prescriptions, etc.)
- Milestone Recognitions & Rewards

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Omamiwinini Pimadjowin
Algonquin Way Cultural Centre

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

Land Based Project Coordinator

Omamiwinini Pimadjowin

Supervisor: Manager Language Culture

Starting \$28.09/hour with Possibility of Permanency

Deadline to Apply: Friday, August 29th, 2025 at 12:00PM

The Land Based Project Coordinator will be tasked with assisting in the development and implementation of cultural and land-based programs, as well as providing administrative support.

- Aid in scheduling, coordinating and delivery of land-based learning activities (hunting, fishing, trapping, tanning, etc.)
- Support the coordination, development, and delivery of external presentations and land-based learning programs, ensuring professional standards are met.
- Attend and assist with classes, events, and functions as designated.
- Support the delivery of activities and sessions for AoPFN members of varying knowledge levels and backgrounds.
- Assist in working with local and external Elders, Knowledge Keepers, to create and implement cultural programming.
- Assist in the facilitation and coordination of land-based activities such as hunting, fishing, trapping, and medicine harvesting.
- Aid in the development and coordination of land-based activities focused on healing and after-care support.
- Collaborate with community partners to develop supports for clients outside the community, ensuring cultural supports are promoted.
- Attend weekly meetings and provide updates to various working groups and/or stakeholders.
- Develops, prepares, and maintains a strong, positive relationship with Omamiwinini Pimadjowin, Algonquins of Pikwakanagan, Nigig Nibi Ki-win Gamik, and other counterparts.
- Ensure the thorough and complete protection of privacy, confidentiality, and safeguarding of information, potential projects, proponents, staff, and all matters of sensitive information.

For full Job Description please email manager@thealgonquinway.ca

REQUIREMENTS:

- Successful completion of secondary education with a minimum of 2 years of relevant experience in an administrative field.
- Knowledge and understanding of land based practices (hunting, fishing, trapping, plant identification, etc.)

How to Apply

- Cover Letter
- Current Resume
- Three (3) professional/work-related references that include name, phone number and email address.

Submit to:

The Algonquin Way Cultural Centre
469 Kokomis Inamo– Unit 2, Pikwakanagan, Ontario, K0J 1X0
manager@thealgonquinway.ca

Subject Line: Executive Assistant

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Nigig Nibi Ki-win Gamik Society

WE ARE HIRING

View our job postings on:
www.nigignibi.com

- Child Well-Being Worker
- Outreach and Communications Lead
- Outreach and Communications Assistant
- Post Majority Support Services Worker
- Client Care Coordinator

Send your resume to Amy Desrochers at
employment@nigignibi.com

Nigig Nibi Ki-win Gamik



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GAMIK SOCIETY



AOP_{FN} Limited Partnership

Are you looking for the opportunity to develop new skills and knowledge in all key areas of governance?

 Position open until filled



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<https://governwise.ca/upload/documents/finance-advisor-final-governwise-august-.pdf>



ALGONQUINS OF PIKWAKANAGAN FIRST NATION

MEMBERSHIP ADDITIONS



Name	Family Line	Date	Appeal Period Ends
Olsen, Dakota	Lamure	Posted	13 Sept 25
Leblanc, Soren	Lavalley	13 Mar 25	19 Sept 25
Lablanc, Jaylin	Lavalley	19 Mar 25	19 Sept 25
Engelsdorfer, Rheanna	Whiteduck	19 Mar 25	19 Sept 25
Endelsdorfer, Elijah	Whiteduck	19 Mar 25	19 Sept 25
Rudy, Darlene	Lavalley/Chabot	19 Mar 25	20 Sept 25
Rainone, Stephanie	Lamure	20 Mar 25	20 Sept 25
Williams, Riah	Meness	20 Mar 25	20 Sept 25
Pascoe, Kayla	Sharbot	20 Mar 25	25 Sept 25
Atkins, Cameron	Tenascon	25 Mar 25	25 Sept 25
Cordone, Brittany	Tenascon	25 Mar 25	26 Sept 25
Decaire, Robert	Francois	26 Mar 25	26 Sept 25
Knights, Reanna	Benoit	26 Mar 25	01 Oct 25
Lamour, Olivia	Sharbot	01 Apr 25	01 Oct 25
Cordone, Jordan	Tenascon	01 Apr 25	01 Oct 25
Bertrand, Tracy	Tenesco	01 Apr 25	07 Oct 25
Lavoie, Roger	Pesanawatch	07 Apr 25	07 Oct 25
Denomme, Alexis	Ignace	07 Apr 25	08 Oct 25
Reynolds, Caitlyn	Pisandawatch	08 Apr 25	17 Oct 25
Minnie, Robert	Lavallee	17 Apr 25	17 Oct 25
Sherbert, Talen	Sharbot	17 Apr 25	17 Oct 25
Snippe, Mackenzie	Lavallee	17 Apr 25	23 Oct 25
Cordone, Benjamin	Tenascon	23 Apr 25	23 Oct 25
Lamure, Sierra	Commandant/Lamure	23 Apr 25	01 Nov 25
Lamure, Raymi	Commandant/Lamure	01 May 25	01 Nov 25
Lamour, Cameron	Sharbot	01 May 25	01 Nov 25
Sherbert, Ocean	Sharbot	01 May 25	09 Nov 25
Sherbert, Tristin	Sharbot	09 May 25	09 Nov 25
Sherbert, Kane	Sharbot	09 May 25	09 Nov 25
Lamure, Benjamin	Lamure	09 May 25	12 Nov 25
		12 May 25	

Chehade-Sherbert, Elijah	Sharbot	12 May 25	12 Nov25
Kapitanchunk, Walker	Protected	14 May 25	14 Nov25
Switzer, Lakota	Lavallee	15 May 25	15 Nov25
Swan, Madeline	Benoit/Baptist	21 May 25	21 Nov25
Ellis, Emery	Protected	22 May 25	22 Nov25
Bujold, Susan	Lamure	11 Jun 25	11 Dec25
Harnum, Ben	Lavalley	12 Jun 25	12 Dec25
Harnum, Alexis	Lavalley	12 Jun 25	12 Dec25
Harnum, Ty	Lavalley	12 Jun 25	12 Dec25
Witherspoon, Rebecca	Lavalley	16 Jun 25	16 Dec25
Witherspoon, Ryan	Lavalley	16 Jun 25	16 Dec25
Magee, Kathleen	Meness	19 Jun 25	19 Dec25
Evans, Wren	Meness/Jocko	27 Jun 25	27 Dec25
Evans, Lochlan	Meness/Jocko	27 Jun 25	27 Dec25
Burns, Jennifer	Aird	3 July 25	3 Jan26
Waiser, Amanda	Lamure	8 July 25	8 Jan26
Alexander, Jordan	Tenesco	8 July 25	8 Jan26
Witherspoon, Donald	Lavalley	17 July 25	17 Jan26
Mills, Nichole	Lavalley	17 July 25	17 Jan26
Bernard, Lilly	Bernard	18 July 25	18 Jan26
Bernard, Harper	Bernard	18 July 25	18 Jan26
Gravelle, Gregory	Tenesco	18 July 25	18 Jan26
Bujold, Mary	Pesindewate/Lamure	21 July 25	21 Jan26
Hallick, Brian	Lavalley	28 July 25	28 Jan26
Lepine, Brian	Sharbot	28 July 25	28 Jan26
Heron, Tylor	Lavallee	28 July 25	28 Jan26
Belanger, Donovan, Katlyn	Baptiste	13 Aug 25	13 Feb26
Gorgichuk, Keanna	Baptiste/Benoit	13 Aug 25	13 Feb26

To appeal the addition of one of the persons above becoming a Member of the Algonquins of Pikwakanagan First Nation, please refer to your Membership Code, available on our website or in the Lands, Estates & Membership Department, or email at mgr.lem@pikwakanagan.ca

Community Information



Regular Council Meetings

Every second and last Tuesday of the month
Beginning at 9 AM

Available to view online in the
members-only section of
www.algonquinsopikwakanagan.com

Not Online?

Phone 613-625-2800 EXT 228
to request information on how to join.

Conways Pharmacy Remote Dispensing Location

BUSINESS HOURS

Monday	9 am - 12 pm 1 pm - 4 pm
Tuesday	9 am - 12 pm 1 pm - 4 pm
Wednesday	9 am - 1 pm
Thursday	9 am - 12 pm 1 pm - 4 pm
Friday	9 am - 12 pm 1 pm - 4 pm

We are closed weekends and Holidays

Delivery available Friday

Phone : 613-625-9974

Fax: 613-625-2068

Thank you

Natalie Commanda, Pharmacy
Technician

Joseph Conway, Pharmacist



EMMAMADINAMAGE MIDJIM
The Sharing Place
Food Bank

HOURS

OPEN the second Thursday of each month, unless indicated

10 AM TO 12 PM

JANUARY 9	FEBRUARY 13	MARCH 13 (EASTER)
APRIL 10	MAY 8	JUNE 12
JULY 11	AUGUST 14	SEPTEMBER 11
OCTOBER 9 (THANKSGIVING)	NOVEMBER 13	DECEMBER 18 (XMAS)

For information or emergency and after hour
needs phone and leave a message at:

613-625-2600

email for information or to e-transfer donations at
thesharingplacefb@gmail.com

Facebook: www.facebook.com/emmthesharingplace

ALGONQUINS OF PIKWAKANAGAN ELDERS LODGE

For Rentals contact Rose
Yankoo at

elderslodgepik@gmail.com

**Reminder - for sanitary
purposes individual
hosting meals & catering
will require to supply
their own dish cloths and
towels**

Community Information

Pikwákanagán Excavating & Landscaping



Clear, Dig, Build - Experience the difference!

Large & small equipment for your excavating needs

- Lot clearing & prep
- Trenching/Drainage
- Tree/Brush Removal
- Licensed Septic System Design & Installation
- Pads & Foundations
- Driveways
- Sand/Gravel/Topsoil

Cheryl Kelly, Owner 613.312.9598 or 613.312.9872



BINGO HALL RENTAL

Email Karen Brethour at
ea.lp@pikwakanagan.ca

or

Call Karen at AOPFN Limited Partnership to arrange
Bingo Hall rentals

613-625-1551 ext : 1

Please leave a message if you reach voicemail so we
can return your call in a timely manner

Keys will be available for pick up
8:30 - 12:00 & 1:00 - 3:00

FOR YOUR INFORMATION

CANADIAN POLICE RECORD CHECKS ARE
REQUIRED FOR ANYONE WHO IS APPLYING FOR:

- MEMBERSHIP (APPLICANTS WHO ARE 18 YEARS OR OLDER)
- RESIDENCY (APPLICANTS WHO ARE 18 YEARS OR OLDER)

APPLICATIONS, LAWS, AND CODES ARE AVAILABLE
ON OUR WEBSITE.

[HTTPS://WWW.ALGQUINSOPIKWAKANAGAN.COM/
LAWS-AND-BY-LAWS/](https://www.algquinsopikwakanagan.com/laws-and-by-laws/)

HARD COPIES CAN BE REQUESTED FROM THE
LANDS, ESTATES, AND MEMBERSHIP
DEPARTMENT.

613-625-2800 | MGR.LEM@PIKWAKANAGAN.CA |
LAND.OFFICER@PIKWAKANAGAN.CA |
ASSISTANT.LEM@PIKWAKANAGAN.CA

NOTICE:
KILLALOE OPP RECORD CHECK APPLICATIONS ARE
NOW ONLINE.

Waste Disposal Site

Wednesday: 12:00pm - 6:00pm

Sundays: 9:00am - 3:00pm

Curbside Pick Up

Garbage: Wednesday
Cardboard: Thursday
Containers: Friday



Community Information

How To Access 'Members Only' Section of Website

Please Note that the link to Regular Council meetings, minutes and agenda packages are available in the Members only section of the website.

Steps:

1. Open a browser and enter: www.algonquinsofpikwakanagan.ca
2. Find the "Member Login" box (scroll down on home page or on side bar)
3. Click on "Log in as member of the Algonquins of Pikwakanagan First Nation"
4. You will be brought to the "Member Login" section
5. Click on the words "Click Here for the registration form"
6. You will be brought to the "Membership Registration"
7. Click the "Register" button and wait for your email notification

This website contains content that is private for Algonquins of Pikwakanagan members only. To access the private content, please fill in the registration form. A Membership official will verify your membership in the community and you will receive access.

Field	Example	Explanation
Family Name	Bird	must be as it appears on Certificate of Indian Status card
Given Names	Thunder Bolt	must be as it appears on Certificate of Indian Status card
Registry Number	1630301001	10 digits starting with 1630 on Certificate of Indian Status card
Date of Birth	2006/01/01	enter as per format
Email Address	thunderbird@gmail.com	Every member must have their own email address. This address with the password will be used to log in once membership has been verified.
Password	Tbirds	make up a password – note: it will be case sensitive
Confirm Password	Tbirds	re-enter password – note: it will be case sensitive
Address 1	10 Cloud Street	street address
Address 2	P.O. Box 100	apartment #, box # or rural route #
City	Blue Skies	community/town/city
Province	ON	province/state
Postal Code	K0J 1X0	postal code/zip code
Country	Canada	country
Phone	613 625 2800	code and number as per format



Pikwakanagan Tibadjumowin

CHÌBAYATIGO-KÌJIGAD ADITAGAGOMIN KIZIS 29TH, 2025
FRIDAY AUGUST 29TH, 2025

WWW.ALGONQUINSOFPIKWAKANAGAN.COM | 613-625-2800

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The admin office

WILL BE CLOSED

FRIDAY AUGUST 29TH AT 12:00

AND ALL DAY MONDAY

SEPTEMBER 1ST

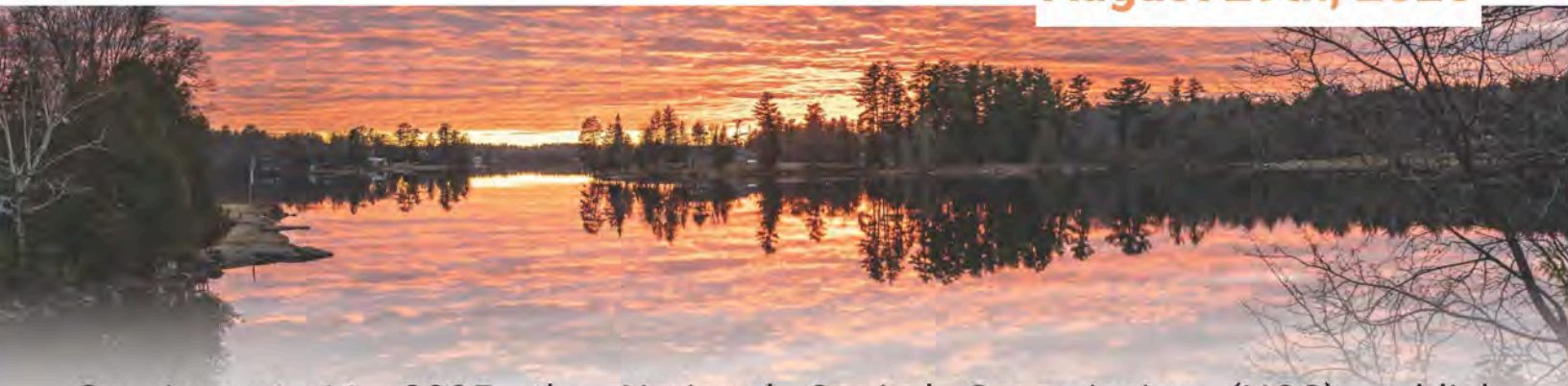
**Fire Ban
level 1**

Campfires Only



CHIEF & COUNCIL UPDATE

August 29th, 2025



On August 11, 2025, the National Capital Commission (NCC) publicly announced that they signed an agreement with the Ottawa Senators for the purchase and sale of approximately 11 acres of land at LeBreton Flats in Ottawa. The Senators have been planning to build a new arena in the downtown area for quite some time, and this is another step towards that goal.

These lands are currently held by Canada as federal crown lands and is located within our traditional, unceded and unsurrendered territory.

This will inform that the Chief and Council has been in discussions with the Ottawa Senators and with the NCC regarding business relationships and land acquisitions within the LeBreton Flats area for more than 2 years.

Our discussions continue, however, we are not in a position at this time, where we can openly comment on the details our discussions. We will share further information with our membership when we are able to do so and which we anticipate will be soon.

We thank our membership and our partners for your understanding and allowing us the time and space needed before making further statements.

Chief and Council Message to Community

Chief and Council wish to express sincere apologies to the members who were present and online at the Community meeting held August 19, 2025, at the Makwa Center. Council presented the meeting protocol outlining the Seven Grandfather Teachings as a measure of how we all were to conduct ourselves. Unfortunately, a couple of members decided they would not participate under the same and as a result, many derogatory, slanderous, and racist comments were made towards leadership and staff.

We would like to remind all, that we are still under a State of Emergency and in that regard, Chief and Council have zero tolerance for any acts of lateral violence. Bullying in meetings, on social media, in the workplace or in Community will not be tolerated.

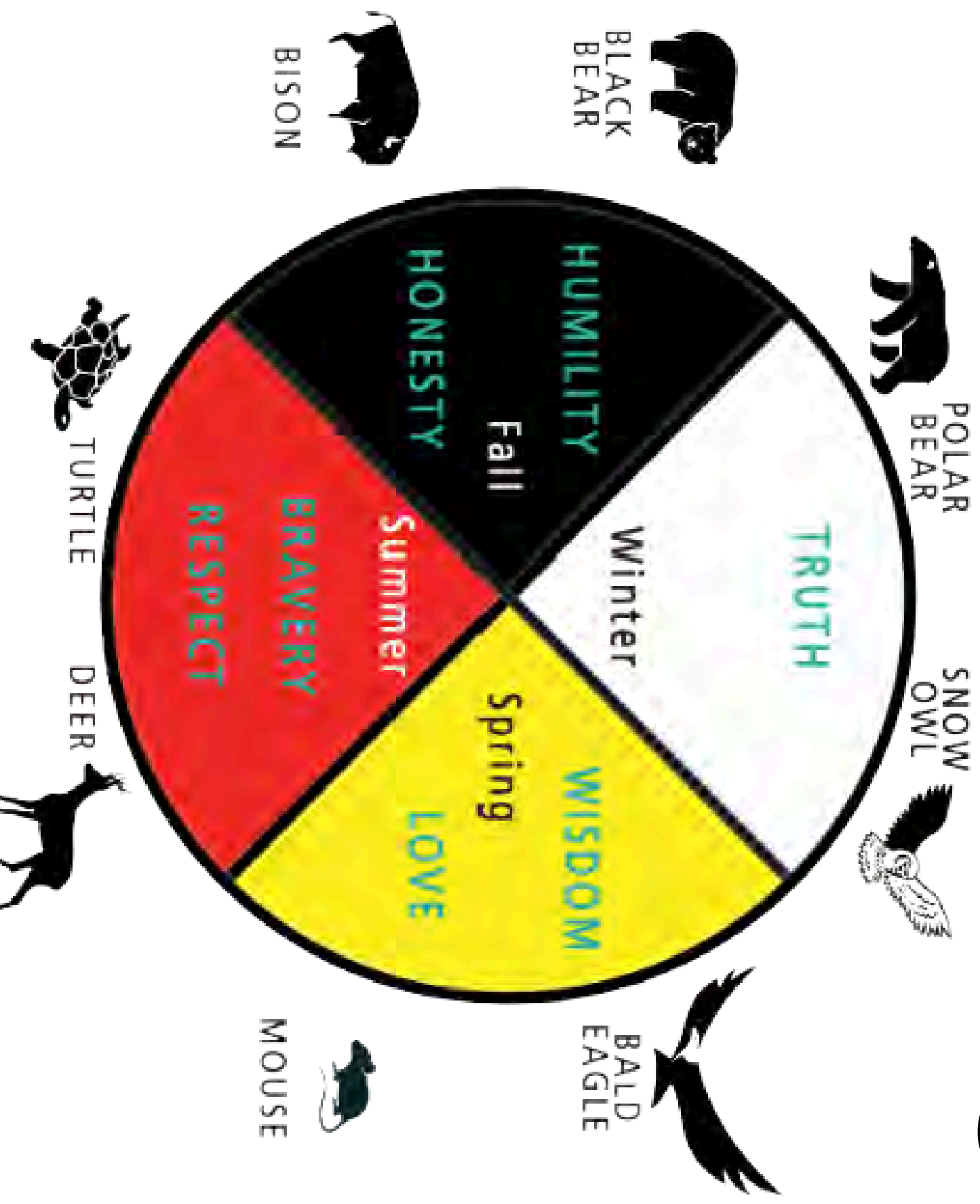
Chief and Council would like to assure you that we are working on this issue to come up with a solution to ensure our members and staff have a safe environment where they can come and participate.

If anyone present/online wish to speak to Council please reach out

Miigwetch,

*Chief and Council,
Algonquins of Pikwakanagan First Nation*

7 Grandfather Teachings



END LATERAL VIOLENCE

Lateral violence describes harmful, aggressive, and hostile behaviors that occur between individuals or groups who share a similar social status, position, or community, rather than being directed toward those in positions of greater power.

It is often expressed through:

- Gossiping, backstabbing, and spreading rumors
- Shaming, blaming, or scapegoating others
- Excluding or isolating individuals
- Undermining, bullying, or sabotaging efforts
- Passive-aggressive behavior, verbal abuse, or non-cooperation

Lateral violence is widely recognized as a manifestation of systemic racism, and historical trauma. When communities or groups are oppressed for long periods of time, the anger and frustration that cannot safely be expressed toward the true source of oppression (such as colonial systems, institutions, or structures of power) may instead be turned inward against peers, colleagues, or community members.



AOPFN Limited Partnership

August 2025

To all AOPFN Band Members

Re: Kilby Property 12127 & 12239 Highway 60 (Farm and Beach Property)

The Kilby Farm and Beach Property was purchased in 2021 by 2480446 Ontario Inc., AOPFN's land holding corporation. **The property is managed by AOPFN Limited Partnership** for economic development purposes.

In the past, there has been confusion and misunderstanding regarding the usage of this property. Some band members have used the property without permission. A small number of individuals have also caused damage. Unauthorized use and damage create significant risks for AOPFN, including legal liabilities and increased insurance costs.

The Kilby Farm property is NOT a park or a campground. The property should be treated like any other part of our community that has been allocated to a specific purpose.

Unauthorized use of the property will not be tolerated.

The AOPFN Limited Partnership will notify the OPP of any unauthorized access or damage to the property.

Unauthorized use will result in **trespassing** charges. The OPP is prepared to press **more severe charges** if damage occurs.

The Kilby Farm and Beach Property needs to be maintained and protected for uses that benefit the community as a whole; it is not for individuals to use for their own entertainment.

Thanks for your cooperation. We wish you a happy and safe long weekend!

NOTICE

BRIDGE CLOSURE

RADIANT LAKE / ODENBACK AREA

THE AFA HAS RESTORED ACCESS TO THE RADIANT LAKE & ODENBACK AREA, BUT THE BRIDGE JUST SOUTH OF THE OLD ODENBACK MILL SITE IS IN VERY POOR CONDITION AND POSES A SERIOUS SAFETY RISK.

 **THE BRIDGE IS CLOSED TO ALL USE (VEHICLES, ATVS, SNOWMOBILES, PEDESTRIANS, ETC.)**

 **RISK OF COLLAPSE DUE TO SEVERE DETERIORATION OF THE SUPPORT STRUCTURE**

 **WE ARE ASSESSING LONG-TERM SOLUTIONS AND UNDERSTAND THE IMPORTANCE OF ACCESS TO THE AREA.**





PLEASE AVOID THE SITE AND RESPECT THE CLOSURE FOR YOUR SAFETY.

**FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION CONTACT THE NATURAL RESOURCES DEPARTMENT
613-625-2800 EXT.253**

ADIYTAGÀOMIN- KÌZIS AUGUST 2025

MANÀDJITÀGANIWAN SUNDAY	METISOWINÌ-KIJID MONDAY	ÀNJENÌ-KIJIGAD TUESDAY	SÒZEP-KIJIGAD WEDNESDAY	ISHPINIGANIWAN THURSDAY	CHÌBAYÀTIGO - KIJIGAD FRIDAY	MÀNÌ-KIJIGAD SATURDAY
3	4 Civic Holiday	5	6	7	1	2
10	11	12	13 Algonguin Park Fishes and Aquatic Ecosystem Monitoring	14 Estelle Amikons Retirement Celebration	15 Elk and Moose Application Deadline	16 Traditional Pow wow
17	18	19 Community meeting Renfrew County Legal Clinic	20	21	22 Elk and Moose Draw Date	23 Cultural Night Market
24 Traditional Pow wow	25	26	27	28	29	30

Community Health August 2025

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1 Office closed at 12:00pm	2 
3	4 Holiday Monday Office Closed	5 Chair Exercises at Manor with Taylor 1:15pm-2:15pm	6	7 Chair Exercises at Manor with Taylor 1:15pm-2:15pm	8	9
10	11	12 Chair Exercises at Manor with Taylor 1:15pm-2:15pm	13	14 No exercise today	15	16 Pow Wow Weekend! 
17 Pow Wow Weekend! 	18	19 Chair Exercises at Manor with Taylor 1:15pm-2:15pm	20	21 Chair Exercises at Manor with Taylor 1:15pm-2:15pm	22	23
24	25	26 Chair Exercises at Manor with Taylor 1:15pm-2:15pm	27	28 Chair Exercises at Manor with Taylor 1:15pm-2:15pm	29 Office closed at 12:00pm	30 
31						



Algonquins of
Pikwakanagan
Health Services



Happy August!

May this month
be filled with
sunny days, laughter,
and lots of love.





Algonquins of Pikwakanagan First Nation

Join Chief and Council for an update and discussions on

Treaty Negotiations

Meet Pikwakanagan's Treaty Negotiation lawyer

Bruce McIvor of First Peoples Law

Saturday, September 6, 2025

Makwa Community Centre

83 Kagagimin Inamo, Pikwakanagan, ON, K0J 1X0



zoom

ID: 613 625 2800

Pass: Niganizi

Lunch: 11:30 am – 12:30 pm

Presentations: Beginning at 12:30 pm

Chief and Council 613-625-2800 EXT 228

News & Events:

Start the Conversation: What Everyone Needs to Know About Heart Disease

WE WELCOME MEN AND WOMEN OF ALL AGES AND ALL CULTURES.



Call Taylor at Health Services 613-625-2259 ext 209 to sign up.
Men and Women of all ages welcome!

- Explore how Canada is working to improve heart care for women and diverse communities, and understand the impact of heart disease on Canadians.
- Learn what heart disease is and how it affects men and women differently, including the key signs, symptoms, and treatments.
- Discover simple ways to keep your heart healthy and prevent heart disease.

Date: Friday September 12th, 2025 **Time:** 11:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. **Free Lunch and beverages provided** **Location:** The Elders Lodge
Presented by: Marion Martell, Women@Heart Program Ambassador, Canadian Women's Heart Health Center University of Ottawa Heart Institute Also with our Chronic Disease Management Nurse Taylor and Dietician Jenna Walsh.



CANADIAN WOMEN'S
HEART HEALTH CENTRE

NATIONAL
ALLIANCE

CWHHA.CA | @CWHHAlliance



HER HEART MATTERS
WEAR RED CANADA • FEB 13

RENFREW COUNTY LEGAL CLINIC IS ATTENDING AOPF

What the RCLC can assist with:

- Ontario Works (OW)
- Ontario Disability Support Program (ODSP)
- Housing Law (for tenants only)
- Canada Pension Plan
- Workplace Safety and Insurance Board (WSIB)
- Human Rights
- Employment Law (non-union matters)
- Debt and Collection Agencies
- Services for Victims of Crime
- Seniors Law
- Sexual Harassment in the Workplace



RENFREW COUNTY
LEGAL CLINIC

THINGS TO KNOW:

- Renfrew County Legal Clinic will be attending the Health Services Building once a month to offer free legal advice and support.
- No appointment needed.
- First come, first serve basis.

FOR MORE INFORMATION CALL
EMMA; THE RESTORATIVE
JUSTICE WORKER AT AOPF

THE RENFREW COUNTY LEGAL
CLINIC WILL BE HERE:

September 16, 2025 2:30-4:30

Please stay tuned for more dates.

(613) 625-2259 Ext 245

1643 Mishomis Inamo,
Pikakanagan, ON



Get ready for a fun-filled day at the Cornhole Tournament Fundraiser! The tournament will be held outdoors on the lawn, with teams of 2 to 4 players.

Enjoy light refreshments and snacks available for purchase, including beer, spirits, non-alcoholic beverages and The Pembroke Professional Fire Fighters Association will be cooking up a "Corn", old-fashioned corn roast with all the fixings and hot dogs.

Event Highlights

- Silent Auction
- Door Prizes
- Tournament winner prizes!

SEPT. 6, 2025


\$20 PER
PERSON

1032 PEMBROKE ST E. PEMBROKE, ON



REGISTRATION
STARTS AT 10AM;
GAMES 10:30AM -
3:30PM

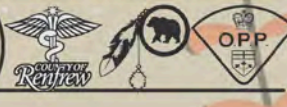
FOR MORE INFORMATION: CURATOR @UOVHERITAGECENTRE.CA 613-735-0517



YOUTH Softball

Saturday
SEPTEMBER 6TH

FRONTLINE WORKERS

12+ **YOUTH** & 

COMMUNITY BASEBALL DIAMOND

FROM 10:00AM - 1:00 PM

BBQ AND REFRESHMENTS INCLUDED

CONTACT ALEXIS TO SIGN UP/INFO:
613-625-2259 navigator.mhs@pikwakanagan.ca

YOUTH BASKETBALL

WITH COACH GERRY BENOIT

TUESDAYS 6PM-9PM **AGES 11-17**

SEPT 2 - OCT 7

MAKWA COMMUNITY CENTRE



Pikwákanagán Excavating & Landscaping



Clear, Dig, Build - Experience the difference!
Large & small equipment for your excavating needs

- Lot clearing & prep
- Trenching/Drainage
- Tree/Brush Removal
- Licensed Septic System Design & Installation
- Pads & Foundations
- Driveways
- Sand/Gravel/Topsoil

Cheryl Kelly, Owner 613.312.9598 or 613.312.9872




BINGO HALL RENTAL

Email Karen Brethour at
ea.lp@pikwakanagan.ca

or

Call Karen at AOPFN Limited Partnership to arrange
Bingo Hall rentals

613-625-1551 ext : 1

Please leave a message if you reach voicemail so we
can return your call in a timely manner

**Keys will be available for pick up
8:30 - 12:00 & 1:00 - 3:00**

LABOR DAY WEEKEND

NEYAGADA WABANDÀNGAKÌ

Culture Camp

**THEME: BIRCH
BARK/CANOE**

SEPTEMBER 29 - OCTOBER 3



Algonquins of Pikwakanagan
First Nation



Day 1: Harvest Teaching

On the first day, we will tour the Community and learn about the traditional birch bark canoe making process. Although it is past the harvest season, a Knowledge Holder will explain how the materials are gathered.



Day 2-4: Birch Workshop

For 3 days, participants will work hands-on with birch bark, learning traditional techniques to craft meaningful items that reflect our connection to the land and water.



Day 5: First Paddle Ceremony

Last day of the camp is dedicated to the launching of the full-sized birch bark canoe built by the Neyagada Wabandàngak Guardians under the guidance of Crockett Sarazin, a ceremonial feast to follow.

**LIMITED SEATS
AVAILABLE
RSVP BY
SEPTEMBER 19
EMAIL BELOW**



469 Kokomis Inamo - Guardian Trailer



(613) 401 - 5521



projectco.nwgp@pikwakanagan.ca



Women's Heart Health Lunch and Learn Friday Sept 12th: Meet

✿ Marion Martell ✿



Marion has been involved working within a community setting throughout her career. Her focus has been in areas of health, management, business development, sales, coaching, training, communications, and charity work.

In 2007 Marion became involved with fundraising for the University of Ottawa Heart Institute Foundation and served as co-chair to a charity fund raising event. This was an all female golf charity tournament raising awareness of heart disease in women and raised over \$1,000,000 for the Canadian Women's Heart Health Centre(CWHHC) at the University of Ottawa Heart Institute.

Marion herself is a Heart Patient Survivor. In 2008 Marion was diagnosed with Complete Heart Block requiring a Permanent Pacemaker. Thanks to the Heart Institute and all the staff for their great care. She feels great today.

She is involved with Canadian Women's Heart Health Alliance on the Community Presentation Project. Come join her in a Women's Heart Health Presentation at The Elders Lodge Friday Sept 12th. See flyer for sign up information.

FREE EYE EXAMINATIONS FOR ALL CHILDREN IN ALGONQUINS OF PIKWAKANAGAN FIRST NATION

Over 80% of a child's learning depends on good vision. Eye examinations to detect and assess vision problems are integral to every child's health, learning, and social development.

OUR SERVICES:

Comprehensive eye examinations and free eyeglasses (if needed) are being provided to all children under 18 years of age



**IF YOU ARE INTERESTED
PLEASE CONTACT:**

CDMN@PIKWAKANAGAN.CA

~~CHN@PIKWAKANAGAN.CA~~

WEBSITE: www.iceenow.ca



Indigenous
Children
Eye
Examination



Supporting First Nations Children

Meet Your Jordan's Principle Navigator

Hello, my name is Pamela Scheel, and I am the Jordan's Principle Navigator for the Algonquins of Pikwakanagan First Nation, currently working within Health Services. Since 2024, I have been dedicated to supporting children and families in the community by helping them access essential services and funding through Jordan's Principle.



How I Can Help

- ✓ Assist with individual and family requests
- ✓ Follow up on existing applications
- ✓ Coordinate supports and services
- ✓ Help with the appeals process



What Is Jordan's Principle?



Jordan's Principle ensures First Nations children 0-17 can access public services when they need them. Requests must be linked to a health, education, or social need and are reviewed on a case-by-case basis.

Examples of Possible Supports

- 🏥 Health Supports: Medical supplies, dental, and vision care
- 📖 Education Supports: Psychological assessments, tutoring, assistive technology
- 🏠 Social Supports: Cultural activities, daily living needs (clothing, food, hygiene)
- 💚 Mental Health Supports: Counseling, respite support, behavioral guidance
- 🧸 Specialized Equipment & Sensory Items: Weighted blankets, noise-cancelling headphones
- 🧘 Therapy Supports: Occupational, physical, speech therapy

If you have or know a child who needs support, please don't hesitate to contact me.

☎ 612-625-2259 ext. 233 ✉ jpnnav1@pikwakanagan.ca

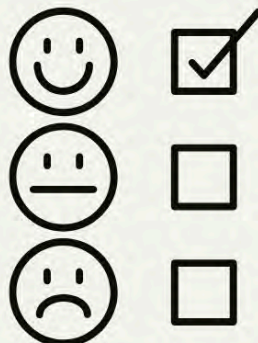
AOPFN Health Services & Tennisco Manor



AGING IN PLACE

Calling all clients, community members 50+ and caregivers! Please take 5 minutes to complete which survey(s) applies to you.

Scan for
COMMUNITY survey



Scan for
CAREGIVER survey



TENNISCO MANOR & HEALTH SERVICES - AGING IN PLACE STUDY



For the Algonquins of Pikwakanagan First Nation, supporting our aging population is not just a service – it's one of our core values. As our community grows older, the need for Aging in Place supports is becoming greater than ever. Dementia rates among Indigenous people are expected to rise by 273% by 2050, making it even more important to plan ahead. These services help our loved ones stay safe and cared for at home, while reducing the need for hospital or long-term care placements.

At the same time, Ontario is facing a shortage of nurses and personal support workers, which adds to the challenge. That's why investing in Aging in Place is the most respectful and culturally meaningful way to care for our people. We encourage all of our community members to start thinking about what Aging in Place means for you – what supports you may need and how we can work together to make it possible.

We are inviting community members to take part in our survey. It can be done at home with help from our staff. We're especially looking for:

- Clients
- Caregivers
- And community members aged 50+, but others may be contacted as well.

**If interested, please reach out to Tennisco Manor
(613-625-1230) for more information**

Resource Numbers:

ADDICTION Resources

Addictions Counsellors:

Gillian McKay
&
Sabrina
Laframboise

613-625-2259

After Hours: Drug
Alcohol, Gambling
Hotline:

1-866-531-2600

Renfrew County Community Withdrawal Management:

613-432-7620

After Hours:
National Overdose
Prevention Line:

1-888-688-6677

Medical & Foodbank Resources

VTAC:

1-844-727-6404

Telahealth

1-866-797-0000

Poison Control

1-800-268-9017

The Sharing Place
Golden Lake
(11185 Hwy 60)

613-625-2600

Food Vouchers
(Pikwakanagan Social
Services)

613-639-1633

Pikwakanagan Drug Tip Line

OPP Community Street Crime Unit in Renfrew County have established a drug tip line for Pikwakanagan First Nation. The number is:
613-689-0805.

The tip line will be monitored by Detectives within the Community Street Crime Unit (CSCU). Messages will be checked regularly. If the caller wishes to be called back, an investigator will return the call.

This line is only intended for drug-related information.

Any emergency requests for police assistance or other call for service should go through normal channels.

Renfrew County Crimestoppers is still available for drug and non-drug related tips.

- Pikwakanagan Drug Tip Line: 613-639-0805
- Renfrew County Crimestoppers: 1-800-222-8477
- Any Emergency call: 911
- OPP non-emergency line: 1-888-310-1122



Algonquins of Pikwakanagan First Nation Community Support Personnel

Who are the CSP

A group of trained individuals who support the community by assisting local Ambulance and Police services, engaging in community crisis support and actively ensuring the safety and well-being of the community members.



- Operates 7 days a week
- Wellness Checks
- Assist with special events & recreation
- Assist where they are needed
- Providing support to the community
- Ensuring the safety & well-being of the residents

Your privacy matters to us. Any contact information you provide will remain strictly confidential and never be shared with any third parties without your consent.



613-401-7446



csp@pikwakanagan.ca



Algonquins of Pikwakanagan
First Nation Health Services



VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Love fresh air, good company, and making a real impact? Whether you have a green thumb or just want to learn, your community garden needs you!

Join us in cultivating fresh produce, shared spaces, and stronger connections at the Manor.

We Need Help With:

Building and maintaining
garden beds



Planting, watering, and harvesting



Weeding and Water



Perks of Volunteering:

Learn gardening and
sustainability tips



Enjoy fresh produce you help
grow



Help the community



ALL WEEK

ENDS ON SEPTEMBER
30TH, 2025



TENNISCO MANOR
1669 Mishomis Inamo K0J
1X0



Email For Registration
connorzack3@gmail.com



Call For Registration
613-402-0846



INTERIOR SYSTEMS CARPENTRY JOB READINESS PROGRAM FOR INDIGENOUS PEOPLE

START DATE:

OCT. 27TH

8 WEEK PROGRAM

1-4TH week: Learn theory & Practical Skills

5-8TH week: Job Placement

Application Deadline:
Tuesday, September 30th

DRYWALL

FRAMING

SAFETY CERTIFICATIONS

+ MUCH MORE



• (613) 276-8375

• ross.holden@mobileresources.ca

TO APPLY:

Contact Ross Holden at
Mobile Resources
Group

@local_2041

f Carpenters' Union Local 2041



**\$800/WEEK
COMPENSATION**
**PPE & MILWAUKEE
TOOLS PROVIDED**

This Employment Ontario Program is
funded in part by the Government of
Canada and the Government of Ontario.

Canada

EMPLOYMENT
ONTARIO

Ontario



AOPFN EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

Early Childhood Educator

Department: Mindiwin Manido Day Care

Supervisor: Daycare Supervisor

\$49,628/ annually - 40 hours a week - Full -Time Permanent

Deadline to Apply: Posting will continue until roles are filled.

The Early Childhood Educator is responsible for the overall daily supervision, monitoring, care and nurturing of children enrolled in the Mindiwin Manido Day Care programs; The Early Childhood Educator is responsible for the delivering of a children's educational and developmental program that encompasses a wholistic and interdisciplinary team approach. The Early Childhood Educator will interact and communicate with parents/guardians for the overall benefit for the child and/or children.

- Assists children with nutritional and personal care needs including but not limited to toilet, diapering
- Procedures, personal hygiene and medical.
- Interacts with children and builds positive relationships.
- Ensures an inclusive environment for all children.
- Assists with the development, implementation, evaluation and modification of a children's educational and cultural program.
- Provide activities and opportunities i.e. learning through play that encourage curiosity, exploration, and problem-solving appropriate to the development levels of the children.
- Creates an environment conducive to the learning of Algonquin culture and language development and appropriate to the physical, social, intellectual, and emotional development of the children.
- Observes, guides and facilitates the development and positive behaviour of children.
- Maintains daily journals and/or portfolios of each Childs' progress, including samples of their artwork, writing, etc.

For full Job Description please email hr@pikwakanagan.ca

REQUIREMENETS:

- Successful completion of Post Secondary Education diploma in Early Childhood Education
- 1-year experience working in a licensed child care group setting as an Early Childhood Educator.
- Registered and in "good standing" with the College of Childhood Educators of Ontario (CECE)

CONDITIONS OF EMPLOYMENT:

- An acceptable Criminal Records Check and Vulnerable Sector Check; annually.
- Certificate of medical health by a physician and complete record of immunization; annually.
- Current First Aid and CPR "Level C" AED certification; annually
- In professional 'Good Standing' with the College of Early Childhood Educators, on an ongoing basis.
- Maintain 'Registration' with the College of Early Childhood Educators on an annual basis.

How to Apply

- Cover Letter
- Current Resume
- Three (3) professional/work-related references that include name, phone number and email address.

Submit to:

Human Resources Department
Algonquins of Pikwakanagan First Nation
1657A Mishomis Inamo, Pikwakanagan, Ontario, KOJ 1X0

hr@pikwakanagan.ca

Subject Line: Early Childhood Educator

Please allow for 24 hours to receive a 'Confirmed Receipt' of your application submission should you apply via email.

Application Procedure: Interested persons must submit a resume demonstrating that they meet the requirements outlined and the names and day contact telephone numbers of three (3) professional references.

Screening Procedure: Applicant must not be a member of the supervisor's immediate family. The best qualified candidate will be defined and determined so as to include the following: Provided the candidate meets the basic requirements of the position and is deemed qualified following the interview process, preference will be given to:

- a) the qualified indigenous person who is an Algonquin; then to,
- b) the qualified indigenous person; then to,
- c) the qualified non-indigenous candidate.

Interviews: Interviews will be conducted in-person or virtually by Teams Meeting. AOPFN has the right to shortlist for interview/assessment purposes of the five (5) most qualified persons and typically establishes an eligibility list.

What Algonquins of Pikwakanagan First Nation Offers

Employee Benefits:

Pension Plan

Paid Sick Days

4% Vacation

Holiday Shutdown

- 14 Provincial and Federal Statutory Holidays
- Half days on Fridays prior to holiday Mondays
- Health Spending Account (Dental, Vision, Prescriptions, etc.)
- Milestone Recognitions & Rewards

We are committed to achieving employment equity and developing a highly capable workforce that is representative of Canadian Society. We therefore encourage women, Indigenous peoples, persons with disabilities, and members of visible minority groups to apply and declare themselves as part of one or more of the above mentioned Employment Equity Designated Groups.

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AOPFN EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

Personal Support Workers & Homemakers

Department: Health Services

Supervisor: Client Care Coordinator

PSW: \$22.63 hourly + wage enhancement as applicable/ Casual

HOMEMAKER: \$20.00 hourly/ Casual

Deadline to Apply: **Until positions are filled.**

The Personal Support Worker and Homemaker assists clients in a variety of ways with daily routines such as meal preparation, housekeeping, laundry, medical services, and more, while promoting their well-being and sense of belonging through supportive interaction. They are required to maintain strict confidentiality to protect clients' privacy and are expected to build and maintain positive relationships with agencies, Indigenous organizations, and business partners associated with the AOPFN.

DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES:

- Completes client data sheets and other documents required for reports and performance indicators.
- Recognizes, reports and records safety, health risks and security needs for clients.
- Reports incidents and completes reports as required.
- Contacts next of kin or families if required of client's condition or needs.
- Arranges client's health appointments when required.
- Recognizes, reports and records safety, health risks and security needs for clients.
- Assists with personal care.
- Meal preparation planning, preparing and sanitizing
- Housekeeping maintaining bedroom, common areas and etc.

For full Job Description please email hr@pikwakanagan.ca

REQUIREMENTS:

- Demonstrated good written communication skills.
- Possess certification as a Personal Support Worker(asset)
- or Health Care Aid with at least one year of experience in working with seniors or providing personal care.

CONDITIONS OF EMPLOYMENT:

- Acceptable Vulnerable Sector Check and CPIC must be provided as a condition of employment.
- First Aide and CPR Certification or willingness to complete within 3 months of employment
- Cultural awareness training or willingness to complete within 3 months of employment

How to Apply

- Cover Letter
- Current Resume
- Three (3) professional/work-related references that include name, phone number and email address.

Submit to:

Human Resources Department
Algonquins of Pikwakanagan First Nation
1657A Mishomis Inamo, Pikwakanagan, Ontario, KOJ 1X0

hr@pikwakanagan.ca

Subject Line: Resource Teacher

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Employee Benefits:

- Pension Plan
- Paid Sick Days
- 4% Vacation
- Holiday Shutdown
- 14 Provincial and Federal Statutory Holidays
- Half days on Fridays prior to holiday Mondays
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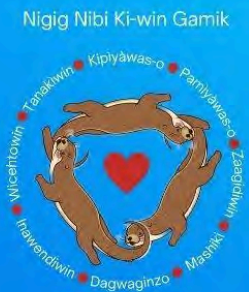
Nigig Nibi Ki-win Gamik Society

WE ARE HIRING

View our job postings on:
www.nigignibi.com

- **Child Well-Being Worker**
- **Outreach and Communications Lead**
- **Outreach and Communications Assistant**
- **Post Majority Support Services Worker**
- **Client Care Coordinator**
- **Navigator**

Send your resume to Amy Desrochers at
employment@nigignibi.com



NIGIG

NIBI KI-WIN

GAMIK SOCIETY



NIGIG NIBI KI-WIN GAMIK

Join our Outreach and Communications Team!

Nigig is growing! We're looking for passionate, community-minded individuals to join us in advancing child and family well-being within the Algonquins of Pikwakanagan First Nation and greater unceded Algonquin territory.



Current Opportunities:

OUTREACH AND COMMUNICATIONS LEAD

- Salary: \$75,000 - \$85,000
- Lead community outreach and communications strategy
- Supervise and mentor the communications team
- Develop campaigns, events, and engagement initiatives

OUTREACH AND COMMUNICATIONS ASSISTANT

- Salary: \$55,000 - \$65,000
- Manage social media, website, and newsletters
- Support community outreach events and promotions
- Create culturally relevant materials and content

Scan here for more information:



BENEFITS:

- Competitive Salary
- Benefits & Pension Plan
- Paid Sick, Vacation & Special Leave
- 14 Statutory Holidays



ALGONQUINS OF PIKWAKANAGAN FIRST NATION

MEMBERSHIP ADDITIONS



Name	Family Line	Date	Appeal Period Ends
Olsen, Dakota	Lamure	Posted	13 Sept 25
Leblanc, Soren	Lavalley	13 Mar 25	19 Sept 25
Lablanc, Jaylin	Lavalley	19 Mar 25	19 Sept 25
Engelsdorfer, Rheanna	Whiteduck	19 Mar 25	19 Sept 25
Endelsdorfer, Elijah	Whiteduck	19 Mar 25	19 Sept 25
Rudy, Darlene	Lavalley/Chabot	19 Mar 25	20 Sept 25
Rainone, Stephanie	Lamure	20 Mar 25	20 Sept 25
Williams, Riah	Meness	20 Mar 25	20 Sept 25
Pascoe, Kayla	Sharbot	20 Mar 25	25 Sept 25
Atkins, Cameron	Tenascon	25 Mar 25	25 Sept 25
Cordone, Brittany	Tenascon	25 Mar 25	26 Sept 25
Decaire, Robert	Francois	26 Mar 25	26 Sept 25
Knights, Reanna	Benoit	26 Mar 25	01 Oct 25
Lamour, Olivia	Sharbot	01 Apr 25	01 Oct 25
Cordone, Jordan	Tenascon	01 Apr 25	01 Oct 25
Bertrand, Tracy	Tenesco	01 Apr 25	07 Oct 25
Lavoie, Roger	Pesanawatch	07 Apr 25	07 Oct 25
Denomme, Alexis	Ignace	07 Apr 25	08 Oct 25
Reynolds, Caitlyn	Pisandawatch	08 Apr 25	17 Oct 25
Minnie, Robert	Lavallee	17 Apr 25	17 Oct 25
Sherbert, Talen	Sharbot	17 Apr 25	17 Oct 25
Snippe, Mackenzie	Lavallee	17 Apr 25	23 Oct 25
Cordone, Benjamin	Tenascon	23 Apr 25	23 Oct 25
Lamure, Sierra	Commandant/Lamure	23 Apr 25	01 Nov 25
Lamure, Raymi	Commandant/Lamure	01 May 25	01 Nov 25
Lamour, Cameron	Sharbot	01 May 25	01 Nov 25
Sherbert, Ocean	Sharbot	01 May 25	09 Nov 25
Sherbert, Tristin	Sharbot	09 May 25	09 Nov 25
Sherbert, Kane	Sharbot	09 May 25	09 Nov 25
Lamure, Benjamin	Lamure	09 May 25	12 Nov 25
		12 May 25	

Chehade-Sherbert, Elijah	Sharbot	12 May 25	12 Nov25
Kapitanchunk, Walker	Protected	14 May 25	14 Nov25
Switzer, Lakota	Lavallee	15 May 25	15 Nov25
Swan, Madeline	Benoit/Baptist	21 May 25	21 Nov25
Ellis, Emery	Protected	22 May 25	22 Nov25
Bujold, Susan	Lamure	11 Jun 25	11 Dec25
Harnum, Ben	Lavalley	12 Jun 25	12 Dec25
Harnum, Alexis	Lavalley	12 Jun 25	12 Dec25
Harnum, Ty	Lavalley	12 Jun 25	12 Dec25
Witherspoon, Rebecca	Lavalley	16 Jun 25	16 Dec25
Witherspoon, Ryan	Lavalley	16 Jun 25	16 Dec25
Magee, Kathleen	Meness	19 Jun 25	19 Dec25
Evans, Wren	Meness/Jocko	27 Jun 25	27 Dec25
Evans, Lochlan	Meness/Jocko	27 Jun 25	27 Dec25
Burns, Jennifer	Aird	3 July 25	3 Jan26
Waiser, Amanda	Lamure	8 July 25	8 Jan26
Alexander, Jordan	Tenesco	8 July 25	8 Jan26
Witherspoon, Donald	Lavalley	17 July 25	17 Jan26
Mills, Nichole	Lavalley	17 July 25	17 Jan26
Bernard, Lilly	Bernard	18 July 25	18 Jan26
Bernard, Harper	Bernard	18 July 25	18 Jan26
Gravelle, Gregory	Tenesco	18 July 25	18 Jan26
Bujold, Mary	Pesindewate/Lamure	21 July 25	21 Jan26
Hallick, Brian	Lavalley	28 July 25	28 Jan26
Lepine, Brian	Sharbot	28 July 25	28 Jan26
Heron, Tylor	Lavallee	28 July 25	28 Jan26
Belanger, Donovan, Katlyn	Baptiste	13 Aug 25	13 Feb26
Gorgichuk, Keanna	Baptiste/Benoit	13 Aug 25	13 Feb26

To appeal the addition of one of the persons above becoming a Member of the Algonquins of Pikwakanagan First Nation, please refer to your Membership Code, available on our website or in the Lands, Estates & Membership Department, or email at mgr.lem@pikwakanagan.ca

Community Information

Regular Council Meetings

Every second and last Tuesday of the month
Beginning at 9 AM

Available to view online in the
members-only section of
www.algonquinsopikwakanagan.com

Not Online?

Phone 613-625-2800 EXT 228
to request information on how to join.

Conways Pharmacy Remote Dispensing Location

BUSINESS HOURS

Monday	9 am - 12 pm 1 pm - 4 pm
Tuesday	9 am - 12 pm 1 pm - 4 pm
Wednesday	9 am - 1 pm
Thursday	9 am - 12 pm 1 pm - 4 pm
Friday	9 am - 12 pm 1 pm - 4 pm

We are closed weekends and Holidays

Delivery available Friday

Phone : 613-625-9974

Fax: 613-625-2068

Thank you

Natalie Commanda, Pharmacy
Technician

Joseph Conway, Pharmacist



EMMAMADINAMAGE MIDJIM
The Sharing Place
Food Bank

HOURS

OPEN the second Thursday of each month, unless indicated

10 AM TO 12 PM

JANUARY 9	FEBRUARY 13	MARCH 13 (EASTER)
APRIL 10	MAY 8	JUNE 12
JULY 11	AUGUST 14	SEPTEMBER 11
OCTOBER 9 (THANKSGIVING)	NOVEMBER 13	DECEMBER 18 (XMAS)

For information or emergency and after hour
needs phone and leave a message at:

613-625-2600

email for information or to e-transfer donations at
thesharingplacefb@gmail.com

Facebook: www.facebook.com/emmthesharingplace

ALGONQUINS OF PIKWAKANAGAN ELDERS LODGE

For Rentals contact Rose
Yankoo at

elderslodgepik@gmail.com

**Reminder - for sanitary
purposes individual
hosting meals & catering
will require to supply
their own dish cloths and
towels**

Community Information

ADMIN OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Friday

open	8:30am
close	12:00pm

open	1:00pm
close	4:30pm

FOR YOUR INFORMATION

CANADIAN POLICE RECORD CHECKS ARE
REQUIRED FOR ANYONE WHO IS APPLYING FOR:

- MEMBERSHIP (APPLICANTS WHO ARE 18 YEARS OR OLDER)
- RESIDENCY (APPLICANTS WHO ARE 18 YEARS OR OLDER)

APPLICATIONS, LAWS, AND CODES ARE AVAILABLE
ON OUR WEBSITE.

[HTTPS://WWW.ALGQUINSOFPIKWAKANAGAN.COM/
LAWS-AND-BY-LAWS/](https://www.algquinsopikwakanagan.com/laws-and-by-laws/)

HARD COPIES CAN BE REQUESTED FROM THE
LANDS, ESTATES, AND MEMBERSHIP
DEPARTMENT.

613-625-2800 | MGR.LEM@PIKWAKANAGAN.CA |
LAND.OFFICER@PIKWAKANAGAN.CA |
ASSISTANT.LEM@PIKWAKANAGAN.CA

NOTICE:
KILLALOE OPP RECORD CHECK APPLICATIONS ARE
NOW ONLINE.

Waste Disposal Site

Wednesday: 12:00pm - 6:00pm

Sundays: 9:00am - 3:00pm

Curbside Pick Up

Garbage: Wednesday

Cardboard: Thursday

Containers: Friday



Community Information

How To Access 'Members Only' Section of Website

Please Note that the link to Regular Council meetings, minutes and agenda packages are available in the Members only section of the website.

Steps:

1. Open a browser and enter: www.algonquinsofpikwakanagan.ca
2. Find the "Member Login" box (scroll down on home page or on side bar)
3. Click on "Log in as member of the Algonquins of Pikwakanagan First Nation"
4. You will be brought to the "Member Login" section
5. Click on the words "Click Here for the registration form"
6. You will be brought to the "Membership Registration"
7. Click the "Register" button and wait for your email notification

This website contains content that is private for Algonquins of Pikwakanagan members only. To access the private content, please fill in the registration form. A Membership official will verify your membership in the community and you will receive access.

Field	Example	Explanation
Family Name	Bird	must be as it appears on Certificate of Indian Status card
Given Names	Thunder Bolt	must be as it appears on Certificate of Indian Status card
Registry Number	1630301001	10 digits starting with 1630 on Certificate of Indian Status card
Date of Birth	2006/01/01	enter as per format
Email Address	thunderbird@gmail.com	Every member must have their own email address. This address with the password will be used to log in once membership has been verified.
Password	Tbirds	make up a password – note: it will be case sensitive
Confirm Password	Tbirds	re-enter password – note: it will be case sensitive
Address 1	10 Cloud Street	street address
Address 2	P.O. Box 100	apartment #, box # or rural route #
City	Blue Skies	community/town/city
Province	ON	province/state
Postal Code	K0J 1X0	postal code/zip code
Country	Canada	country
Phone	613 625 2800	code and number as per format

Kaitlyn Wendland

Subject: FW: Summer Newsletter 2025

From: Enterprise Renfrew County <economicdevelopment@countyofrenfrew.ccsend.com>

Sent: September 3, 2025 10:43 AM

To: Robin Paquette <rpaquette@arnprior.ca>

Subject: Summer Newsletter 2025



Summer Newsletter 2025

Empowering Local Businesses

At Enterprise Renfrew County, we are dedicated to fostering growth and innovation within our community. Through tailored resources, expert guidance, and ongoing support, we empower local businesses to thrive and succeed. Stay tuned for updates on our upcoming workshops, events, and success stories as we continue to drive entrepreneurial development in Renfrew County.

Celebrating Success: Introducing the Spring Session Grant Recipients



With 20 dedicated entrepreneurs fast-tracking development of their business, marketing, and financial plans during the training, the following individuals earned grant awards totaling \$42,000:

- Daniel Stermac-Stein of [The Herd's Throne](#) (Township of Brudenell, Lyndoch and Raglan)
- Elizabeth Lepine of [Valley Cap](#) (Township of Madawaska Valley)
- Davis Scheel of [Ottawa Valley Sharpening](#) (Town of Arnprior)
- Kayla Glenn of [pRAWper Pet Treats](#) (Town of Renfrew)
- Sheila O'Brien of [The Paint With Sheila School of Art](#) (City of Pembroke)
- Aaron DiLella of [Grown and Gathered](#) (Township of McNab/Braeside)
- Sigrid Geddes of [GGs Skincare](#) (Township of Killaloe, Hagarty and Richards)
- Kathryn Weatherbed of [Nomadic Smiles](#) (Town of Laurentian Hills)
- James Smith of [Bad Dog Bakery](#) (Town of Deep River)

- Jay Renaud of [Valley Friends](#) (Township of Whitewater Region)
- Emily Prospero of [Snark Coffee](#) (Township of McNab/Braeside)

"The Starter Company Plus program is an invaluable resource for small businesses in Renfrew County. Even though my business has been operational for several years, as an alumnus of the program I can confidently say that Starter Company Plus is not only useful for start-ups, but also small business veterans to help them fill gaps in business knowledge and refine business development and growth strategies. The coaching exceeded expectations, and the program content not only provided expert guidance on critical business functions, but also opened up valuable networking opportunities."

Hani Morsi, Founder of Montu Canada.

Entrepreneurs interested in taking their business to the next level can now register for the Fall Starter Company Plus Information Sessions. One information session must be attended to receive an application form:

September 9th from 11am to 12pm or September 11th from 1pm to 2pm.

For more information and to register, visit: [Starter Company Plus | Enterprise Renfrew County](#)

Starter Company Plus Information Session Fall Intake

Information sessions will be held September 9th in the morning and 11th in the afternoon. Interested entrepreneurs must attend one information session to receive an application form. Click [here](#) to register for an information session. Generously sponsored by [Renfrew County Community Futures Development Corporation](#).

Business Training & Development



PROGRAM INFORMATION SESSIONS



Sept 9

11AM to 12PM

**STARTER
COMPANY
PLUS**

virtual



Sept 11

1PM to 2PM

For more information, visit:

www.EnterpriseRenfrewCounty.com/starter-company-plus



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Development Corporation**
Renfrew County

Ontario



Summer Company 2025

We are excited to introduce the talented young entrepreneurs participating in this year's Summer Company program. These seven ambitious individuals have embarked on diverse business ventures, showcasing their creativity and entrepreneurial spirit.

- Paige Hodgson of [Paiges Projex](#) (Town of Arnprior)
- Noah Obrien of [Wisdom By Words](#) (Township of Madawaska Valley)
- Minnah Rehan of [NoorHenna](#) (Town of Arnprior)
- Hunter Prince of [Moose 3D Designs](#) (Township of Horton)
- Jazmin Clark of [Sprout Wings](#) (City of Pembroke)
- Emmanuel Young of [Manny's Mowing](#) (Town of Arnprior)
- Nella Rosendic of [Nellart Commissions](#) (Township of Killaloe, Hagarty and Richards)

For more information about the program, visit: [Summer Company | Enterprise Renfrew County](#)

The poster for Summer Company 2025 features six youth entrepreneurs arranged around the central title. Each entrepreneur is shown in a portrait with their name and business idea below it.

- Nella Rosendic**: Nellart Commissions
- Paige Hodgson**: Paiges Projex
- Noah Obrien**: Wisdom By Words
- Emmanuel Young**: Manny's Mowing
- Minnah Rehan**: NoorHenna
- Jazmin Clark**: Sprout Wings
- Hunter Prince**: Moose 3D Designs

The central text reads **Summer Company 2025**. Below the title is the logo for Enterprise Renfrew County / Entreprise Comté de Renfrew, which includes a stylized tree and the text "ENTERPRISE RENFREW COUNTY" and "ENTREPRISE COMTÉ DE RENFREW".

At the bottom left, it says "Generously sponsored by:" followed by the logo for the Township of McNab/Braeside, which includes a sun and the text "TOWNSHIP OF McNab/Braeside" and "Where nature awaits".

At the bottom right is the Ontario logo.

Youth Entrepreneurship Takes the Spotlight at HerbFest

On Saturday, July 27, the beautiful Waba Cottage Museum & Gardens in White Lake (McNab/Braeside) was buzzing with energy as community members gathered for a special mid-season highlight at this year's HerbFest.

In partnership with the Township of McNab/Braeside, the event proudly showcased Summer Company students—a group of talented young entrepreneurs from across Renfrew County. Attendees had the chance to meet these inspiring youth, explore their innovative business ideas, and support their ventures.

It was a vibrant day filled with creativity, community spirit, and local flavour, all set against the picturesque backdrop of the Waba Gardens. Thank you to everyone who came out to celebrate and support the next generation of local business leaders! Be sure to keep an eye out for these thriving entrepreneurs at local markets across the County.

Upcoming Webinars



Small Business Month

An inspiring four-part event series is on the way — designed exclusively for local entrepreneurs and small business owners across the County. Get the latest information and stay up to date with registration information by visiting our [website](#).



BRIDGES TO BUSINESS GROWTH



LINKING PASSION, PURPOSE & PROFIT

To Register Visit: www.EnterpriseRenfrewCounty.com/workshops-events

**Join us for this dynamic four-part event series
held across Renfrew County in celebration
of Small Business Month!**

**Designed for entrepreneurs at every stage,
to gain practical learning, meaningful connections,
and actionable insights to help
grow your small business with confidence.**



Presented in Partnership with the [Federal Economic Development Agency for Southern Ontario \(FedDev Ontario\)](#)

**From Renfrew County Community
Futures Development Corporation
(RCCFDC):**



New Loan Program: CANtrade™ Now Available in Renfrew County

Renfrew County Community Futures Development Corporation is excited to announce the launch of **CANtrade™**, a new repayable loan program designed to help local businesses adapt to today's evolving trade landscape.

Whether you're shifting supply chains, growing inter-provincial trade, or expanding exports of locally made products, CANtrade™ offers flexible financing to support your next move.

Loan highlights: ✓ \$5,000 to \$150,000 ✓ Interest rates from prime to prime +2% ✓ Interest-only payments for the first 6 months ✓ No prepayment penalties

Click the link to [Learn More & Apply](#)

For more information, please contact Cyndy Phillips, Executive Director for RCCFDC.



Available Funding Opportunities from the Ontario Government



Rural Ontario Development Program

The Rural Ontario Development (ROD) program replaces the

Rural Economic Development (RED) program. The ROD program supports the objectives of Enabling Opportunity: Ontario's Rural Economic Development Strategy.

Deadline to Apply: Sept. 24, 2025, at 5 p.m

For more information, click [here](#).

Ontario Investing \$7.5 Million to Help Businesses Go Digital

The Ontario government is investing \$7.5 million to protect small and medium-sized businesses across the province, helping them modernize and grow by adopting digital technologies. The [Digitalization Competence Centre](#) (DCC) helps companies to transition and find made-in-Ontario digital solutions with expert guidance, training and up to \$115,000 in targeted grants. Funds are limited and will be applied on a first-come, first-served basis. To learn more and apply, click [here](#).

Stay up-to-date on what funding is currently available from the Government of Ontario, if you're eligible, and how to apply. For more information, click [here](#).

County of Renfrew Launches Regional Incentive Program- HYPE



The County of Renfrew is now accepting applications from local municipalities for its regional incentive program – HYPE (Helping Your Place Excel) – which provides matching grant funding – up to 50% – to stimulate private sector investment, attract and retain businesses, and improve business and community appeal.

Aligned with the County's strategic priorities, the HYPE Program drives economic development by offering financial incentives that support local municipal Community Improvement Plans (CIPs). The HYPE Program promotes and supports a wide range of economic goals, including affordable housing, tourism, business retention and expansion, and investment readiness. Eligible projects may include, but are not limited to, private sector investment, enhancing tourist accommodations, growing attainable and affordable housing, fostering agriculture development, revitalizing downtowns, expanding trail networks, improving accessibility and energy efficiency, and advancing projects with positive environmental impacts.

For more information visit: www.investrenfrewcounty.ca/HYPE



From the Upper Ottawa Valley Chamber of Commerce:



Business Excellence Awards

Presented annually by the Upper Ottawa Valley Chamber of Commerce, the [Business Excellence Awards](#) recognize and celebrate outstanding achievements and contributions in the region's business community, across a wide range of categories. The Lifetime Achievement Award is the highest honour, reserved for individuals whose work has left a lasting mark on the economic and civic life of the Ottawa Valley.

For more information on these events and to reserve your tickets, visit: <https://upperottawavalleychamber.com/2025-business-excellence-awards/> or contact the Upper Ottawa Valley Chamber of Commerce at 613-732-1492

From the Renfrew & Area Chamber of Commerce:



New to the Frew - Save the Date! New to the Frew Community Showcase is coming soon! Join us as we welcome new residents, businesses, and community members to Renfrew & the area in a fun and engaging way. If you would like to showcase your business or organization, contact the Chamber office and reserve your spot.

Join us on Wednesday September 17, 2025, from 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm., at The myFM Centre. Come out to connect, learn more about what makes Renfrew and area special, and discover all the amazing local organizations, services, and businesses in our community.



NEW TO THE FREW

COMMUNITY SHOWCASE EVENING

6-8 pm

Wednesday, September 17, 2025

myFM Centre

1 Ma-te-Way Dr. Renfrew, ON

This event is open to everyone, whether you're new to the area or have been a long-time resident. It's a perfect opportunity to connect with local organizations, discover new services, and celebrate the unique spirit of our community!

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Pinnacle of Business Excellence Awards - We are excited to announce that nominations are now open for all businesses in the [Township of Admaston/Bromley](#), [Township of Greater Madawaska](#), [Township of Horton](#) and the [Town of Renfrew](#). This is your chance to nominate a Business, Young Entrepreneur, Youth Employee, Breakout Business, Employee of the Year, Hospitality Award, and Lifetime Achievement of the Year. Submit your nominations here. <https://renfrewareachamber.ca/pinnacle-of-business.../>

Questions? Contact Renfrew & Area Chamber of Commerce, info@renfrewareachamber.ca or call 613-432-4848 ext 181.



Check out our website:
www.TOTV.ca

<p>EGANVILLE SATURDAY, JULY 26 Eganville Arena 178 Jane St 10 am to 3 pm</p> <p>LAURENTIAN VALLEY SATURDAY, AUGUST 23 Alice & Fraser Recreation Centre 11 Henan Rd 10 am to 3 pm</p> <p>CALABOGIE SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 20 Calabogie Community Hall 574 Mill St 10 am to 3 pm</p>	<p>COBDEN SATURDAY, OCTOBER 18 Cobden Fairgrounds 43 Astrolabe Rd 10 am to 3 pm</p> <p>PEMBROKE HOLIDAY MARKET SATURDAY, DECEMBER 13 Knights Of Columbus Hall 170 Ellis Ave 10 am to 3 pm</p>
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Promote your upcoming events at no cost on the OVTA [Events & Festivals calendar](#). They're actively driving traffic to their website through social media — so take advantage of the exposure and let them help spread the word about your event!

Volunteer Needed

The Lanark & Renfrew Immigrant Settlement Services (LRISS) Program is looking for passionate, caring volunteers to help welcome and support newcomers in Renfrew County. Whether you have a few hours a month or can help more regularly - we'd love to hear from you!

We need help with:

- Informal ESL Conversation Circles
- Client support and accompaniment to appointments
- Event assistance at cultural celebrations, potlucks, and workshops
- Administrative support for special projects
- Community outreach and information booth staffing

Lanark & Renfrew IMMIGRANT SETTLEMENT SERVICES



SIGN UP TO VOLUNTEER TODAY!



More information:
settlement@lanarkcounty.ca
www.lanarkcounty.ca/living/immigrant-settlement-services/

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Stay in Touch

Starting or Growing a Business in Renfrew County?

Enterprise Renfrew County (ERC) is here to support you! Whether you're a new or existing entrepreneur, we offer free, confidential business coaching, monthly webinars, and training programs to help you succeed. Network, learn, and grow with us!

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Enterprise Renfrew County acknowledges that the land of which we are situated is the traditional, unceded, and unsundered territory of the Algonquin and Anishnabek people covered by the Upper Canada Treaties. We also recognize the enduring presence of all First Nation, Métis, and Inuit peoples on the land on which we gather. We are grateful to be present in this territory today, and we honour the reconciliation process by bringing the 7 grandfather teachings of love, respect, bravery, truth, honesty, humility, and wisdom into our offerings and daily lives. Meegwetch.

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EOWC Advocacy Update

EOWC Advocates for Rural Priorities at 2025 AMO Conference



Left-to-right: Mike Gladstone, Vice President, Utility Public Affairs and Communications, Enbridge; Lisa Thompson, Minister, Ministry of Rural Affairs; Bonnie Clark, Chair, EOWC; Kevin Mariott, Vice-Chair, WOWC; Pauline Rochefort, Parliamentary Secretary, Secretary of State (Rural Development); Christa Lowry, Chair, ROMA.

The Eastern Ontario Wardens' Caucus (EOWC) was proud to represent our 103 rural and small urban municipalities at the 2025 Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO) Conference in Ottawa.

During the conference, the EOWC held a joint meeting alongside the Western Ontario Wardens' Caucus (WOWC). Together, we discussed shared rural opportunities and challenges, and committed to a unified stand in support of the Elect Respect campaign. We encourage all elected officials, organizations, and members of the public to join us in signing the pledge at www.electrespect.ca.

Throughout the week, the EOWC engaged in productive meetings with

provincial and federal leaders, opposition parties, and sector partners. These conversations focused on the key issues facing Eastern Ontario—from housing and infrastructure to healthcare and economic development.

These meetings included:

- Parliamentary Secretary, Jennifer McKelvie, Canada's Ministry of Housing, Infrastructure and Communities
- The Honourable Natalia Kusendova-Bashta, Minister of Long-Term Care, Parliamentary Assistant John Jordan, Ministry of Long-Term Care
- Parliamentary Assistant Amarjot Sandhu, Ministry of Infrastructure
- Parliamentary Assistants Bob Bailey and Steve Pinsonneault, Ministry of Rural Affairs
- Premier's Office (Ottawa Regional Office), Scott Phelan
- Ontario New Democratic Party (NDP)
- Ontario Liberal Party
- Rebecca Bligh, President of the Federation of Canadian Municipalities
- Ontario Medical Association
- Hydro One

We were pleased to meet with partners and decision-makers throughout the conference to share our advocacy and highlight the priorities of eastern Ontario's rural communities.

[Read the EOWC's AMO 2025 briefing package](#)

The EOWC Submission: Federal 2025 Pre-Budget Consultation



The EOWC has submitted its 2025 Pre-Budget recommendations to the House of Commons Standing Committee on Finance and the Department of Finance Canada, calling for federal action to support sustainable growth, infrastructure investment, and service delivery in eastern Ontario's rural and small urban communities.

The submission outlines seven key recommendations:

1. A modern, reliable fiscal framework for municipalities
2. Targeted rural and small urban support
3. Investment in trade and transport-enabling ports
4. Federal investment in municipalities and other subsidiary industries and supports to help advance the commitment to allocate 1.5% of GDP toward critical defence and security-related expenditures
5. Inclusive design of Build Canada Homes, recognizing Ontario's Municipal Service Manager role
6. Federal recognition of municipalities' role in housing and long-term care
7. Direct investment in modernizing municipally operated paramedic services

The EOWC continues to advocate for collaborative, cross-government solutions to strengthen the communities that form the backbone of Canada and its economy.

[Read the EOWC's submission](#)

The EOWC Participates in Roundtable on U.S. Tariffs and Ontario's Trade-Impacted Communities Program



Left-to-right: Bonnie Clark, Chair, EOWC; Victor Fedeli, Minister, Ministry of Economic Development, Job Creation and Trade.

Eastern Ontario Wardens' Caucus Chair Bonnie Clark and Director of Government Relations and Policy Meredith Staveley-Watson recently joined a roundtable hosted by Minister Victor Fedeli, focused on the impacts of U.S. tariffs and Ontario's \$40 million [Trade-Impacted Communities Program](#).

The EOWC welcomed the opportunity to highlight how this new program can help address the unique challenges faced by rural and small-urban communities in eastern Ontario.

EOWC Presents to Standing Committee on Bill 9: The Municipality Accountability Act



On July 14, EOWC Chair Bonnie Clark presented to the Standing Committee on Heritage, Infrastructure and Cultural Policy regarding [Bill 9, The Municipality Accountability Act](#).

The EOWC supports stronger accountability measures to ensure respectful, harassment-free workplaces for municipal staff and elected officials. With the 2026 municipal election ahead, these protections are more important than ever.

[Read the EOWC's Committee Submission](#)

In The Media

EOWC Chair Bonnie Clark Appointed County Caucus Chair on AMO's Board of Directors



The EOWC's Chair, Bonnie Clark, has been appointed as the County Caucus Chair on AMO's board of directors, joining AMO's Executive Leadership Team to represent counties' voices in meetings with the Ontario government.

Ontario Invests \$5M+ to Train 2,900 Workers in Northumberland & Peterborough

The [Ontario government is investing over \\$5 million through the Skills Development Fund](#) (SDF) to help more than 2,900 youth, jobseekers, and apprentices in the Northumberland and Peterborough regions prepare for in-demand jobs in skilled trades, construction, manufacturing, aviation, and more.

This investment supports hands-on training, mentorship, and paid placements, helping workers gain the skills needed to succeed—especially amid challenges from U.S. tariffs.

Key projects:

- Junior Achievement of Northern and Eastern Ontario: \$609K for skilled trades training and mentorship for 2,650 students
- Northumberland Builders & Construction Association: \$230K for mobile onsite training
- Nventure Business Development Corp.: \$562K to launch Canada's first VR tool for manufacturing recruitment
- OPCMIA Local 598 Training Centre: Nearly \$4M to train apprentices and pre-apprentices in restoration trades

South Frontenac Receives \$3.2M to Unlock Housing Opportunities



The [Township of South Frontenac in the County of Frontenac have secured \\$3.2 million through the Housing-Enabling Water Systems Fund](#). This critical investment will help unlock up to 1,150 new housing opportunities and drive long-term economic growth in the Verona area.

Meredith Staveley-Watson Featured on Podcast Discussing the Future of Local Government



Meredith Staveley-Watson, Director of Government Relations and Policy at the EOWC, is featured on the latest episode of Fempire.

Meredith shared insights on the financial realities municipalities face, the importance of strong local leadership, and how she's helping over 100 municipalities advocate for smarter, more sustainable policy.

[Listen to the FEMPIRE episode](#)

Partner Updates



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REGIONAL NETWORK

EORN Partners with CIRA to Map Internet Gaps in Eastern Ontario

EORN, in partnership with the Canadian Internet Registration Authority (CIRA), is collecting internet speed data to better understand the quality of connectivity across eastern Ontario.

By promoting and taking the CIRA Internet Performance Test, residents and businesses can help build a clearer picture of internet access in their communities. This data is vital for informing decision-makers and funders, guiding future investments to improve broadband service. The more tests completed, the stronger the case for bringing reliable, high-speed internet to all corners of the region.

[Take the test and help shape the future of connectivity.](#)

Regional Updates and News

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of Canada

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Canada Invests \$748M in Ontario to Build Stronger, More Connected Communities

The [Government of Canada is investing over \\$748 million in Ontario and the Association of Municipalities of Ontario](#) through the Canada Community-Building Fund to support local infrastructure that strengthens communities and enables housing growth.

This funding will help build and improve roads, water systems, public transit, and community spaces across the province.

By investing in both essential and recreational infrastructure, the federal government is helping municipalities prepare for future housing needs while improving quality of life today.



Ontario Invests \$89M to Help Seniors Age Safely at Home

The [Ontario government is investing \\$89 million to make the Community Paramedicine for Long-Term Care \(CPLTC\)](#) program permanent, expanding it to serve even more communities, including First Nations. CPLTC offers 24/7 non-emergency medical care—like at-home treatments and remote monitoring—so seniors can safely remain in their homes and avoid unnecessary hospital visits.

Since its launch, CPLTC has supported over 81,000 people with more than 310,000 hours of care. This new funding will extend services to areas like Pikangikum and Weenusk First Nations, as part of Ontario's plan to strengthen long-term care by delivering faster, more convenient care where it's needed most.

Ontario Invests \$56.8M to Train 2,200 New Nurses by 2029

The [Ontario government is investing \\$56.8 million to expand nursing](#)

[education across the province, adding 2,200 new nursing seats](#) in colleges and universities by 2029. This initiative will grow the province's health-care workforce, ensuring more nurse practitioners, registered nurses, and registered practical nurses are available to meet rising health-care demands, especially in hospitals, long-term care homes, and community clinics.

The investment also supports flexible online learning pathways to help personal support workers and registered practical nurses advance their careers. An additional \$7.5 million will be provided to universities to upgrade clinical supplies and lab equipment, giving students access to the latest training tools.

Ontario Launches \$1B Financing Program to Protect Jobs Amid U.S. Tariffs

The [Ontario government has launched the Protect Ontario Financing Program](#), a \$1 billion initiative to support local businesses—particularly in the steel, aluminum, and auto sectors, hit hard by rising U.S. tariffs. This is the first phase of the province's broader \$5 billion Protecting Ontario Account, announced in the [2025 Budget](#).

The program will provide liquidity support through loans to help companies cover key expenses like payroll and utilities, protecting jobs and critical supply chains. Eligible businesses can apply through a dedicated website, where they'll complete a screening tool before being contacted for next steps.

Ontario Invests Additional \$1.6B in Housing Infrastructure to Support Growth and Jobs

The [Ontario government is investing an additional \\$1.6 billion into the Municipal Housing Infrastructure Program](#) (MHIP), nearly doubling the fund to \$4 billion. This major boost will help municipalities and Indigenous communities build the essential infrastructure, like roads, bridges, and water systems, that is needed to support hundreds of thousands of new homes across the province.

Ontario Launches New Funding Model to Accelerate Long-Term Care Construction

The [Ontario government is introducing a new Capital Funding Program](#) (CFP) to make it faster and easier to build long-term care homes. The new model shifts from a fixed cost-per-bed approach to a flexible, percentage-based funding system, covering up to 85% of eligible construction costs based on regional conditions.

This approach aims to overcome barriers such as labour shortages and rising costs while helping not-for-profit, hospital, and Indigenous operators access funding earlier, so projects can break ground sooner.

The program will help deliver on Ontario's plan to build 58,000 new and upgraded long-term care beds, with redevelopment projects like Maxville Manor already underway. The updated 160-bed facility will

feature modern amenities and is expected to open in 2027.

Ontario Invests \$70M to Support Workers Impacted by U.S. Tariffs

The [Ontario government is investing \\$70 million to support workers affected by U.S. tariffs and economic uncertainty](#). The funding will expand access to training and job support through two major initiatives:

- **\$20 million for Protect Ontario Workers Employment Response (POWER)** Centres, which will now offer proactive support—responding to layoffs within 24 hours and launching even before job losses occur. These centres will connect workers to training, job search help, and Employment Ontario services.
- **\$50 million for Better Jobs Ontario (BJO)**, offering up to \$35,000 per person for tuition, child care, and other supports to help jobseekers retrain for in-demand careers.



CAMEA's Building a Best Practices Library – and Needs Your Help!

The Canadian Association of Municipal Executive Assistants (CAMEA) is creating a members-only Best Practices Library featuring sample policies, templates, and checklists tailored to the unique roles of Executive Assistants in local government. Launching in January 2026, this library will be a go-to resource for Executive Assistants across Canada.

To make this resource as valuable as possible, CAMEA is inviting members to share non-confidential documents—final or draft—that others may find useful. Submissions can include municipal branding and be in English, French, or both.

High-priority topics include:

- Council meeting procedures,
- report templates,
- onboarding checklists,
- event planning tools,
- social media policies, and more.

Submit by September 30, 2025 to admin@camacam.ca with the subject line: CAMEA Library Contribution.

[View an example here.](#)

Upcoming Events



IESO Webinar: Electricity Planning from Peterborough to Kingston

The Independent Electricity System Operator (IESO) has launched regional electricity planning for the [Peterborough to Kingston region](#), which includes the Cities of Belleville, Kingston, Peterborough, Quinte West, Prince Edward County, the Municipality of Clarington in the Region of Durham, and the Counties of Hastings, Lennox and Addington, Northumberland, and Peterborough.

Join the IESO webinar on September 11, 2025, at 1 p.m. to learn more, review draft demand forecasts, and share your feedback.

Materials will be available in advance and written comments after the webinar are welcomed until October 2, 2025 to engagement@ieso.ca.

[Register for the webinar here.](#)



Unlocking Opportunity through Human Rights in Municipal Planning

AMO is offering a specialized workshop for elected officials titled "Unlocking Opportunity through Understanding Human Rights Requirements in Municipal Planning."

Taking place on September 11, 2025, from 10:00 AM to 1:00 PM, this session will explore how applying a human-centered approach to land use planning can help municipalities secure funding, build community trust, ensure legal compliance, and drive local economic development.

[Register for the workshop here.](#)



P3s for Municipalities: 6-Part Webinar Series

The EOWC is excited to build its partnership with the [Canadian Council for Public-Private Partnerships](#) (CCPPP). CCPPP is offering the free P3s for municipalities webinar series available for municipal and Indigenous employees and elected officials across Canada.

Designed for those new to or seeking a refresher on P3 infrastructure delivery, the series covers fundamentals, opportunities, challenges, and tools for successful P3 procurement.

CCPPP is also introducing the Council's new municipal P3 recommendations and insights from the updated [Public-Private Partnerships: A Guide for Municipalities](#).

Upcoming webinars: September 16. Webinars will continue to be available on the CCPPP site.

[Sign up for the webinar here](#)



Ontario East Municipal Conference 2025

The Ontario East Municipal Conference returns from September 17–19, 2025, at the Ottawa Conference and Event Centre, bringing together economic developers, municipal leaders, and industry experts from across the region.

As Eastern Ontario's premier economic development event, OEMC offers a unique opportunity for attendees to connect with key decision-makers, gain valuable insights from experts, and collaborate on strategies to drive regional growth.

[Register here.](#)

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OCTOBER 8

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HOUSING SUMMIT 2025

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10:00 am - 4:00 pm

Ottawa Conference & Events Centre

200 Coventry Road, Ottawa

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Eastern Ontario Housing Summit 2025

The 2025 Eastern Ontario Housing Summit will explore how to meet the region's anticipated growth over the coming decades, and the rising demand it brings, even amid a challenging market. The summit will focus on strategies to ensure a sufficient and sustainable housing supply for residents today and in the future.

The event will be taking place October 8, 2025 at the Ottawa Events and Conference Centre.

[Register here.](#)

WESTERN ONTARIO

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October 17, 2025 | London, ON

Powering Ontario's Economic Engine

Western Ontario Municipal Conference 2025

The Western Ontario Municipal Conference (WOMC), presented by the Western Ontario Wardens' Caucus, offers dynamic programming focused on sharing knowledge, best practices, and strategies to support municipal success. This event is ideal for elected officials,

municipal staff (including administration, planners, social services, and economic development professionals), service providers, and provincial and federal partners

The event will be taking place October 17, 2025 in London Ontario.

[Register here.](#)



AMO Second Annual Healthy Democracy Forum

Join the Association of Municipalities of Ontario for the 2nd Annual Healthy Democracy Forum—a key event supporting local democracy ahead of the 2026 municipal elections. The forum will take place October 18-19 in Toronto at the Westin Harbour Castle Hotel.

This year's Forum will spotlight two major initiatives from AMO's Healthy Democracy Project:

- Day 1: Explore strategies to increase voter turnout, attract and retain diverse candidates, and boost public engagement.
- Day 2: Dive into AMO's Municipal Civility and Anti-Harassment Strategy with tools and resources to foster respectful, safe, and inclusive municipal environments.

[Register for the forum here.](#)



EOWC Parliament Hill Advocacy Day

The EOWC is heading to Ottawa on October 21, 2025, to host its Parliament Hill Advocacy Day.

As part of the day's events, the EOWC will hold a breakfast reception and meet with ministers and senior staff to present and discuss the unique challenges facing rural and small urban communities across eastern Ontario.



AMO Forum on Trade, Tariffs, and the Municipal

Role in Long-Term Economic Growth

The international trade landscape remains in flux. U.S. tariffs introduced during former President Trump's administration continue to evolve, with their legality under review in U.S. courts. Potential new trade negotiations are also on the horizon, adding further uncertainty.

On October 24, AMO is hosting an event focused on what this uncertainty means for municipalities. The session will explore how tariffs could affect municipal revenues and expenditures, and how local governments can contribute to broader federal and provincial strategies aimed at building a more resilient and prosperous economy.

[Register for the forum here.](#)

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About the EOWC

The EOWC is a regional non-profit organization representing 13 upper and single-tier municipalities across eastern Ontario. The EOWC supports and advocates on behalf of 103 municipalities and serves 1.1 million residents. The EOWC covers an area of approximately 50,000 square kilometers from Northumberland County to the Québec border.

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Friday, August 22, 2025

The Honourable Robert Black, Senator
Senate Standing Committee on Agriculture and Forestry
The Senate of Canada
Ottawa, Ontario
K1J 0A4

SENT VIA EMAIL: robert.black@sen.parl.gc.ca

RE: Standing Senate Committee on Agriculture and Forestry

Dear Honourable Robert Black,

Please be advised of the following motion passed at the Monday, August 11, 2025, Goderich Town Council Meeting:

Moved By: Councilor Thompson

Seconded By: Councilor Petrie

Whereas the agricultural sector of Huron County depends on the health of the soils in Huron County;

And Whereas soil erosion poses a very significant threat to the long-term health of the soils in Huron County;

And Whereas the Town of Goderich owns some agricultural land which is an asset for the Town;

And Whereas the Town of Goderich is committed to protecting the assets of the Town from preventable harm;

And Whereas the Standing Senate Committee on Agriculture and Forestry published a report in 2024 titled "Critical Ground: Why Soil is Essential to Canada's Economic, Environmental, Human and Social Health" (the Report) that contained twenty-five (25) recommendations in total for the federal government;

And Whereas, Recommendation 7 of Critical Ground stated that "The Government of Canada encourage provinces, territories, and municipalities to develop measures—as a form of land use planning—that best preserve and protect agricultural land in their jurisdictions;"

Therefore, be it resolved that the Town of Goderich urge the Government of Canada and the Province of Ontario to commit to recognizing a sense of urgency and act accordingly in order to protect and conserve soil as per Recommendation 25.

CARRIED

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If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at 519-524-8344 ext. 210 or afisher@goderich.ca.

Yours truly,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Andrea Fisher".

Andrea Fisher
Director of Legislative Services/Clerk
/js

Cc: The Honourable Lisa Thompson, Minister of Rural Affairs, Member of Provincial Parliament – Huron-Bruce, lisa.thompson@pc.ola.org
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To: All Ontario Municipal Councils

Collaborative Action on Sustainable Waste Management in Ontario

As members of municipal councils, we share a responsibility to make decisions that result in the most positive outcomes for both our current residents and future generations. The management of municipal waste is one of the most pressing environmental challenges we face today.

Large urban centres are increasingly looking to rural areas for land to bury garbage waste. Continuing to bury garbage in the ground will inevitably lead to serious consequences:

Globally, solutions already exist. Clean incineration technology can drastically reduce the volume of waste going to landfills while producing much needed electricity. Germany serves as an inspiring model, operating 156 municipal thermal waste incineration facilities with an aggregate annual capacity of 25 million tonnes. At the same time, Germany recycles 66.1% of its municipal waste, the highest rate in the world, driven by strong community engagement, innovative infrastructure, and early education programs that foster a culture of sustainability.

We believe Ontario can and must do better.

We are calling for:

1. The creation of a provincial working group composed of municipalities, the Provincial and Federal Governments, and manufacturing partners;
2. A commitment to exploring and implementing clean incineration, stronger recycling programs, and other sustainable practices;
3. Support from municipal councils across Ontario to advocate for immediate action at all levels of government.

We respectfully request that your council consider supporting this initiative by passing a similar resolution and communicating your support to Premier Doug Ford, the opposition parties, and other relevant stakeholders. By acting together, we can ensure that waste disposal in Ontario is managed quickly, efficiently, and sustainably protecting our environment and safeguarding our communities for generations to come.

Jim Flieler
Councillor, Municipality of Tweed

Resolution for Incineration and a more Robust Recycling Program

Whereas It is incumbent upon the members of council, MPP's and MPs to make the decisions that will result in the most positive outcomes for now and future generations

And Whereas with large urban centres now looking in rural areas of our province and entire country for lands to bury their garbage waste

And Whereas a large landfill site owned by a large urban centre which receives 50% of their garbage at the present time is expected to be full by 2029 creating more environmental impacts

And Whereas continuing to bury garbage in the ground will result in our future generations having lost potable groundwater as a result of garbage leachate rendering it unusable.

And Whereas burying garbage, particularly organic waste in landfills, leads to the production of methane a greenhouse gas, which escapes into the atmosphere and contributes to climate change causing more environmental destruction.

And Whereas we continue to destroy our environment jeopardizing our future generations

And Whereas we have worldwide technology that will allow us the use of clean incineration and also produce much needed electric energy

And Whereas the incineration of household and other municipal waste has a long tradition in Germany, which currently has 156 municipal thermal waste incineration facilities with an aggregate annual capacity of around 25 million tons

And Whereas with a strong focus on community involvement, innovative infrastructure, and sustainable practices, Germany has set a high bar for municipal recycling programs that the rest of the world can learn from and emulate.

And Whereas at the present time, Germany recycles 66.1% of its garbage waste at a municipal level. This places the country as the most effective and prominent country when it comes to recycling in the entire world. This highlights the citizen's strength and motivation to deal with environmental issues on a daily basis.

And Whereas German schools often integrate recycling education into their curriculum. This early exposure to the importance of recycling instills a sense of responsibility in the younger generation, creating a culture of sustainability that transcends generations.

Now Therefore be it resolved that Council direct staff to investigate the possibility of working together with Ontario Municipalities, Provincial and Federal Governments as well as our manufacturing partners to form a working group to ensure that our waste disposal issues can be resolved quickly, efficiently and effectively with the use of incineration, more robust recycling programs and sustainable practices so that our future generations will not suffer from our environmental mismanagement and to request support from these organizations as well as letters being sent to all municipalities in Ontario, Premier Ford and the opposition parties.

**Municipality of Tweed Council Meeting
Council Meeting**



Resolution No.

355

Title:

Notice of Motion - Incineration and a More Robust Recycling Program

Date:

Tuesday, August 12, 2025

Moved by

Councillor J. Flieler

Seconded by

Councillor P. Valiquette

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council direct staff to investigate the possibility of working together with the Ontario Municipalities, Provincial and Federal Governments as well as our manufacturing partners to form a working group to ensure that our waste disposal issues can be resolved quickly, efficiently and effectively with the use of incineration, more robust recycling programs and sustainable practices so that our future generations will not suffer from our environmental mismanagement and to request support from these organizations as well as letters being sent to all municipalities in Ontario, Premier Ford and the opposition parties.

Carried

Kaitlyn Wendland

From: Stop the Spray Canada <supporters@stopthespraycanada.ca>
Sent: Thursday, August 21, 2025 9:38 PM
To: Group - Clerks
Subject: Support Moonbeam's Call to End Aerial Herbicide Spraying

A matter for council's consideration:

1. **Municipality**

Arnprior

2. **Name**

K

3. **Name**

M

4. **Email**

[REDACTED]

5. **Address**

Street Address : [REDACTED]

Address Line 2 :

City : Arnprior

Province : Ontario

Postal Code : [REDACTED]

6. **Email**

Dear Members of Municipal Council, Mayor Luc Léonard and the Town of Moonbeam have taken a courageous step to protect people, wildlife, and waterways by passing a resolution calling for the end of aerial glyphosate spraying in their region. Moonbeam's resolution urges the provincial and federal governments to form and fund an advisory committee to end this harmful practice.

Quebec banned forest spraying in 2001 over health and environmental concerns. Ontario can too. Since the 1980s, all 133 Ontario First Nations and Rural communities have fought to stop toxic herbicide spraying to safeguard their forests, wildlife, waterways, and people. Yet their calls have been ignored. We have an opportunity to stand together to protect our Boreal Forest and put people and the environment before corporate profits. Please join Moonbeam in supporting this resolution. Thank you for your consideration. (<https://stopthespraycanada.ca/moonbeam>)

(Download Moonbeam's resolution: <https://stopthespraycanada.ca/wp-content/uploads/2025/08/moonbeam-pages-1.pdf>)

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ITEM REQUEST FORM

This Item Request Form and any written submission or background information for consideration by the Clerk and the Mayor must be submitted to the Clerk by:

9 a.m. - Ten (10) calendar days prior to the requested meeting date

Requester: Luc Léonard, Mayor		
Date: July 21, 2025		
Head of Department	Councillor X	Citizen
Email Address:		
Item to be discussed: /That Council adopt a resolution for provincial action to eliminate aerial spraying of glyphosate.		
Description of Item: Following an announcement on July 17, 2025 of the Ontario Ministry of Natural Resources in regards to the aerial spraying of the Gordon Cosens Forest which affects the Municipality of Moonbeam, attached is a resolution to urge the provincial government to take action to end the aerial spraying of glyphosate due to the negative impact on the environment; wildlife; use of land; drinking water; and human health.		

The Corporation of the Township of Moonbeam

WHEREAS, the use of aerial spraying of glyphosate for forestry poses significant biodiversity loss; harmful health affects on wildlife; loss of use of land for recreational, tourism, and hunting/ gathering purposes; water contamination; and concerns about the affects on human health.

- Loss of biodiversity as glyphosate kills broadleaf plants, and reduces habitat diversity. This can also lead to soil erosion due to loss of vegetation and loss of habitat and nutrient sources for wildlife, insects, and aquatic life. Glyphosate promotes monoculture, which reduces forest resilience, and also kills non-targeted species.
- Species such as moose, birds, snowshoe hares, and insects lose their food and shelter due to glyphosate spraying, and the ability to move away from spraying safely has not been adequately studied.
- Sprayed areas can look dead or scorched. The land use for recreation, tourism, and hunting/ gathering can be lost. Future growth of vegetation can be impeded, with an uncertain future for land use. Berries such as blueberries and raspberries are killed after being sprayed;
- Contamination of waterways including rivers, lakes and wetlands by winds carrying glyphosate and potential spills harming aquatic life and ecosystems;
- Contamination of drinking water sources with glyphosate, posing potential human health risks;

- Aerial glyphosate spraying can drift into nearby communities, roads, and waterways. Chronic exposure to glyphosate has suspected negative impact contributing to human health, including endocrine disruption and concerns that it is carcinogenic.
- The need for more comprehensive, long-term solutions that cannot be achieved through isolated municipal efforts;

AND WHEREAS, municipalities have a limited ability to address the issue of the aerial spraying of glyphosate, particularly on crown land, and require provincial leadership and regulation;

AND WHEREAS, the Province of Ontario has a responsibility to protect the environment and public health, and must take action to reduce the harm caused by aerial spraying of glyphosate;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

1. The Municipality of Moonbeam urges the Federal and Provincial Governments to take immediate action to end the aerial spraying of glyphosate.
2. The Municipality of Moonbeam calls for the province to form and fund an expert stakeholder advisory committee to advise on the best courses of action to protect the land, vegetation, wildlife, waterways, air and humans from the harmful effects of aerial spraying of glyphosate.
3. The Municipality of Moonbeam commits to working with the Province of Ontario and other municipalities to advocate for stronger provincial leadership on aerial spraying of glyphosate.
4. The Municipality of Moonbeam directs its staff to actively participate in any provincial initiatives or task forces related to the aerial spraying of glyphosate.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT:

A copy of this resolution be forwarded to the following: the Honourable Minister of Environment, Conservation and Parks, the Association of Municipalities of Ontario, and other relevant provincial and regional agencies.

July 21, 2025

Luc Léonard, Mayor

Brigitte Gravel, Clerk

Kaitlyn Wendland

Subject: FW: 2025 Business Excellence Awards Finalists

From: Upper Ottawa Valley Chamber of Commerce <manager@uovchamber.com>

Sent: September 3, 2025 2:05 PM

To: Robin Paquette <rpaquette@arnprior.ca>

Subject: 2025 Business Excellence Awards Finalists



2025 Business Excellence Awards Finalists

We are excited to announce the finalists for the 2025 Upper Ottawa Valley Chamber of Commerce Business Excellence Awards! These outstanding entries were submitted by our member businesses and carefully evaluated by an independent panel of judges from the Ontario Chamber of Commerce, Sarnia Lambton Chamber of Commerce, Barrie Chamber of Commerce, Oshawa Chamber of Commerce, and Amherstburg Chamber of Commerce.

Each submission was scored on its own merits, ensuring integrity and transparency through a fair and objective process.

We extend our sincere thanks to our judges for their dedication, and heartfelt congratulations to this year's finalists.

The award recipients will be revealed and celebrated at our glamorous Gala on September 27th at the Normandy Officers' Mess, Garrison Petawawa, where the trophies will be presented in an unforgettable evening of recognition and celebration.

Tickets

Traveling from out of town to join us for the Gala? We've arranged a special conference rate for Gala guests at the **Quality Inn & Suites in Petawawa** on the night of September 27th. Book your room early to take advantage of this exclusive offer while the rooms are available and enjoy a comfortable stay just minutes from the Normandy Officers' Mess.

Call **(613) 687-2855** and ask for a reservation under the group name 'UOV Chamber of Commerce'.



We are proud to announce that our Community Impact Award has been renamed the **Heart of the Valley Award** in honour of our dear friend **Jamie Bramburger**. This award continues to recognize the outstanding contributions of a not-for-profit, charity, business, community service, or organization that has made a significant impact on the local economy, quality of life, or the well-being of residents in the Upper Ottawa Valley. ***Dedicated to Jamie's legacy, the award celebrates those who, like him, make a difference and leave an indelible mark on our community.***

Award Category	Finalist Business
Excellence in Retail Sales	Antrim Truck Stop
	Ottawa Valley Air Paddle
	Kenny's Store
	Hyundai Pembroke
Excellence in Consumer Services	Stone Moss Construction
	Malcolm, Deavitt & Binhammer Funeral Home
	Arborvida Executive Leadership
	Precise Hair Design

Excellence in Restaurant, Nightlife,
Hospitality & Lodging

Antrim Truck Stop

**Chuck's Roadhouse Bar and Grill
Pembroke**

Ashes Family Restaurant

Excellence in Agri-Business, Farming &
Rural Achievement

Bromley Acres Wagyu

Whitewater O'Brien Winery

Excellence in Communications

Travis Richards Office

Hustle and Heart 104.9 myFM Pembroke

Visit Pembroke

Excellence in Tourism and Recreation

Whitewater O'Brien Winery

Ottawa Valley Air Paddle

Visit Pembroke

Excellence in Professional Services

**Malcolm, Deavitt & Binhammer Funeral
Home**

**Jennifer Charlebois-Robillard Insurance
and Financial Services**

Kyle and Sons Professional Home Services

Excellence in Personal Care, Health &
Wellness

Chartwell Pinewood

Forging Forward Counselling Services

Solopreneur Award

Travis Richards Office

Precise Hair Design

Arborvida Executive Leadership

Start-Up Superstar

**Chuck's Roadhouse Bar and Grill
Pembroke**

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Ashes Family Restaurant

Art Exhibit and Silent Auction

Celebrate the creativity and talent of artists from across the Ottawa Valley. We invite local artists and artisans to contribute original pieces—paintings, photography, sculpture, or handcrafted works—that showcase the rich artistic spirit of our region. All proceeds from the silent auction support the artists and the Chamber of Commerce. Participating artists will receive recognition at the event and across our promotional channels. If you'd like to contribute, please contact us at manager@uovchamber.com by September 19th to reserve your spot in the exhibit.

Promote Your Business With Swag

Guest bag items are a fantastic way to showcase your brand directly to over 175 event attendees, including local business leaders, entrepreneurs, and community influencers. Whether it's product samples, promotional items, coupons, or branded merchandise, your contribution will help us create a memorable experience for our guests—while giving your business added exposure and goodwill. This offer is free of charge to any chamber member. If you'd like to participate, please contact us by September 19th at manager@uovchamber.com



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