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Ontario 2021-22 Budget Highlights

Hello Central Counties Members,

Here are some of the major points of interest concerning tourism following the Ontario budget announcement. When more information is available for the new programs, we will notify you in our B2B e-newsletter. Make sure you receive the e-news by signing up at centralcounties.ca

Small Business

Doubling Ontario Small Business Support Grant - **Deadline to make 1st claim, March 31st**

For businesses eligible for the Ontario Small Business Support Grant, an additional second automatic payment will be sent to you without completing another application. **If you have not applied for the first payment, you have only till March 31st to make your claim.** [Apply here.](#)

Digital Main Street Program

An additional \$10 million is being added to the program to help more small businesses achieve a digital transformation and serve customers effectively online. The program will continue to provide digital transformation grants, an online learning platform, training programs, and Digital Service Squads offering technical support to small business owners. Digital onboarding is free. Take advantage of the program [here](#).

Training Support

A new temporary Ontario Jobs Training Tax Credit for 2021 will provide up to \$2,000 per recipient, up to 50% of expenses.

Additional Support for Tourism, Hospitality, Culture, Sports and Recreation

Ontario Tourism and Hospitality Small Business Support Grant

This **new** grant will provide an estimated \$100 million in a one-time payout of \$10,000 to \$20,000 to eligible hotels, travel agencies, hunting and fishing camps, and other organizations that did not qualify for the original Ontario Small Business Support Grant. Check centralcounties.ca for application updates when they become available.

Ontario Travel Tax Credit

\$150 million is set aside to encourage residents to explore Ontario when public health experts advise that it is safe to travel. Legislation will be introduced to approve this tax credit.

Arts Community

\$10 million will be invested 2021–22 through the Ontario Arts Council (OAC) to help costs incurred when preparing for activities and events that could not go forward in 2020–21.

Provincial Parks

Access to provincial parks and conservation areas will be free from Monday to Thursday, from May 1st to September 2nd. Businesses that have purchased summer or year-round permits will receive a permit extension of a year free of charge. An investment estimated at \$3.9 million over three years will be made to enhance the provincial park experience by using technology.

Resource-Based Tourism Business Support

Eligible commercial outpost camps and hunting and fishing outfitters would receive another year of relief from certain rents and fees.

Stay safe, stay healthy.

The Central Counties Tourism Team

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From: [Dennis Ullman](#)
Subject: Black In Durham - Debuts TONIGHT at 7:00 pm
Date: March 27, 2021 5:21:52 PM
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Good Afternoon,

Despite the DCAF website currently being offline (cyber attack) and delays in the production of Black In Durham, we are pleased to present the first episode of Black In Durham beginning at 7:00 pm. Thanks to Josiah St. John for his dedication in seeing this project become a reality. Tonight's episode features a discussion regarding the issues, challenges and opportunities as they relate to Black Music in Durham. In total, 6 episodes were produced and these will be released periodically over the next few months.

Here is the link, which goes live at 7:00 pm tonight https://youtu.be/eEMbe9E6__A

Feel free to share with your networks.

Thanks, wishing you a great evening!

Take care,

Dennis

Dennis Ullman
Executive Director

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“Via Email: premier@ontario.ca

March 29, 2021

The Honourable Doug Ford
 Premier of Ontario
 Legislative Building
 Queen’s Park
 Toronto, ON
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Dear Premier Ford:

Re: MeeQuam Youth Residence Closure

This will serve to advise you that Council, at its regular meeting held Tuesday, March 23rd, 2021, passed the following resolution:

“Resolution No. 83-2021

Moved By: Todd Calaezzi

Seconded By: Robert Hutchinson

WHEREAS the Ontario Government announced the closure of 26 youth justice facilities; and

WHEREAS the MeeQuam Youth Residence in Cochrane is one of the facilities that will be closing effective April 30; and

WHEREAS children aged 12 to 17 from the northeastern communities will be impacted by this closure. These are children who have increased needs yet limited access to much needed set of services and support that assist them with their transition to productive and flourishing adulthood; and

WHEREAS with the closure of the MeeQuam Youth Residence, these vulnerable children will find themselves in a facility hundreds and thousands of kilometers away from their community and their families; and

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THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Cochrane requests that the Province of Ontario reverse their decision to close the youth justice facility in Cochrane, known as MeeQuam Youth Residence, as these vulnerable children need to be as close as possible to their families and communities.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT this Resolution be forwarded to the Honourable Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario, the Honourable Todd Smith, Minister of Children, Community and Social Services; Honourable Sylvia Jones, Minister of Indigenous Affairs; and all municipalities within the Province of Ontario.

Carried"

Your attention to this matter is greatly appreciated!

Yours Truly,

THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF COCHRANE



Alice Mercier
Clerk

/am

c.c.: Hon. Todd Smith, Minister of Children, Community and Social Services
Hon. Sylvia Jones, Minister of Indigenous Affairs
All Municipalities within the Province of Ontario
Charlie Angus, MP, Timmins – James Bay
John Vanthof, MPP, Timiskaming – Cochrane

From: [Debbie France](#)
To: [Brock Clerks](#); [Michael Jubb](#); jgrant@townshipofbrock.ca
Subject: Time Sensitive... Health Canada Cannabis Consultation Open for Comment until May 7/21
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Time Sensitive....Health Canada Cannabis Consultation Open for comment until May 7/21

Attention : Clerks, Kindly share with your Mayor, Councillors and staff and place on your agenda for review and action by all.

Hello Municipalities,

Great news! Health Canada has invited Canadians and Municipalities to share their perspectives on the factors that may be considered for refusal or revocation of a cannabis registration on public health and public safety grounds. Get your municipal comments in before closing on May 7 2021.

Why participate? Health Canada has seen a concerning trend with the size of certain personal and designated cannabis growing sites and issues associated with them.

Over the last year, OPP, York Regional Police and other police forces across Ontario have reported on the abundance of illicit grow ops run by criminal organizations who are exploiting Health Canada's cannabis rules and regulations. The threat to the personal health and safety of residents across Ontario is significant and should not be underestimated.

Here is a link for a great OPP video that explains the significant risks :
[OPP PROVINCIAL ENFORCEMENT TEAM TACKLES ILLEGAL CANNABIS MARKET - YouTube](#)

Here are two links for further evidence of the significant risks to public health and safety :

[York police seize roughly \\$150M worth of illegal pot, firearms and exotic animals in drug bust | CTV News](#)

[OPP say police have dismantled 52 illegal cannabis production sites since July - Kingston | Globalnews.ca](#)

Having completed previous Federal Cannabis consultations, I suggest you choose the email response so that you can express your concerns. The online form really does not allow you to comment to the issues you are each facing. We all have cannabis problems but different problems.

The link for Health Canada consultation is here:

[Consultation on guidance on personal production of cannabis for medical purposes - Canada.ca](#)

Please also let your residents know about this opportunity.

Thanks kindly,
Debbie France
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Simcoe, Ontario, N3Y 4K3
[519 426 8626](tel:5194268626)
A resident of Norfolk County

Sent from my iPad

From: [Zoe Levitt](#)
Subject: Mobile Food Market Grant Awarded!
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Good morning everyone,

I am writing to share the exciting news that we have officially been awarded the grant funding for our Mobile Food Market project from Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada! Your collective support of our project helped strengthen our application tremendously, so *thank you thank you thank you* for taking the time to write your letters of endorsement.

We are now in the process of purchasing and retrofitting the infrastructure for the market and look forward to launching in the coming months! We are thrilled to be nearing the debut of this valuable community project. Stay tuned for updates as they come (via our social media, website and newsletter).

With deep gratitude,

Zoe



Zoe Levitt (she/her) | **Community Development Coordinator**

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Nourishing Lives...Developing Change!

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From: [Brock Board of Trade](#)
To: [Becky Jamieson](#)
Subject: Mark your calendar for our Virtual BNG on April 7th
Date: March 30, 2021 11:29:06 AM



Join the Brock Board of Trade for a virtual BNG with Inspector Ryan Connelly from Durham Regional Police Service.

Inspector Ryan Connelly became Inspector of Durham North Division in October of 2020, the majority of his career has been spent in an investigative role. His previous assignments have seen him stationed in the Regional Drug Enforcement Unit, West Division Property Crimes Unit (Break & Enters, Auto Thefts, Organized Shop-Theft) and also the Regional Robbery Unit. He was then assigned as a Staff Sergeant (supervising a platoon of 27 officers) in

Oshawa before being transferred to Detective Sergeant in Charge of the Human Trafficking Unit, Financial Crimes Unit and Robbery Unit. In his spare time he volunteer as a Coach in the Whitby Minor Hockey Association and the Whitby Girls Hockey Association.

Inspector Connelly will discuss the crime situation in Brock Township and will provide crime prevention tips in relation to businesses and our community.

Date: April 7, 2021

Time: 7:00pm

Where: Online*

RSVP to brockboardoftrade@gmail.com

*Zoom information will be sent to those who RSVP the day before the event

I would like to attend the April BNG



Please give a warm welcome to the Brock Board of Trade's
Council of Directors for 2021!

Congratulations to Elizabeth Burley who was voted in as our president for the second year in a row. Bringing their expertise to the roles of Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer are Christine Dukelow, Sandra Bannon and Judi Forbes, respectively. The rest of this wonderful team is made up of John Grant, Mike Jubb, Brian McGregor, Sally Morgan and Adeline Pettit.



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To: [Brock Clerks](#)
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Hello,

Grandview Kids Foundation would like to invite you to our 25th Annual Golf Fore Grandview Kids Charity Golf Classic. Register now to participate on Thursday, August 19, 2021 at Deer Creek Golf & Banquet Facility in Ajax. Your participation will help kids in Durham Region to live their best life. FORE!

To register now, visit: <https://www.grandviewkidsfoundation.ca/golfforegrandviewkids>.

Or, call Brandy Reid, Community Engagement & Donor Relations Officer at 1-800-304-6180 x2277.

Best regards,

Allison

Allison Baggio, BA (Hons), PgC
Donor Communications Specialist, Strategy & Storytelling
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March 31, 2021

Honourable Steve Clark
 Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing
 17th Floor, 777 Bay Street
 Toronto ON M5G 2E5

Dear Mr. Clark:

This is to advise that City Council, at a meeting held on March 22, 2021, passed the following resolution regarding Planning Act Timelines:

“WHEREAS the City of Kitchener, like many Ontario municipalities, is experiencing significant growth; and,

WHEREAS the City of Kitchener has conducted extensive work through its Development Services Review to remove red tape and improve public engagement; and,

WHEREAS the Province of Ontario's Planning Act provides a legislative framework for processing development applications including established timeframes which permit applicants to appeal to the Local Planning Appeal Tribunal if a Council fails to make a decision within a prescribed timeline; and,

WHEREAS the passing of Bill 108 in 2019 reduced the timelines for processing development applications before they can be appealed to the Local Planning Appeals Tribunal (LPAT) for a non-decision from those outlined in Bill 139, the Building Better Communities and Conserving Watersheds Act, 2017 as follows:

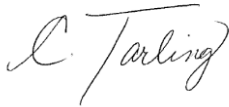
- from seven months (210 days) to four months (120 days) for Official Plan amendments;
- from five months (150 days) to three months (90 days) for Zoning By-law amendments; and
- from six months (180 days) to four months (120 days) for Plans of Subdivision; and

WHEREAS the shortened timeframes create unreasonable pressures on municipalities, even outside the context of navigating city business in a global pandemic, and result in reduced opportunities for meaningful public engagement and limited time for the public to provide written submissions on a development application;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that Kitchener City Council urge the Province of Ontario to review and reconsider the current timelines established for review of Planning Act applications before an appeal is permitted to the Local Planning Appeals Tribunal and to return to the timelines that were in effect under Bill 139, the Building Better Communities and Conserving Watersheds Act, 2017;

THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution be sent to the Ontario Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, to the local MP's and MPP's, to the Federation of Canadian Municipalities, to the Association of Municipalities Ontario, and all other municipalities in Ontario."

Yours truly,



C. Tarling
Director of Legislated Services
& City Clerk

- c: Honourable Tim Louis, M.P.
- Honourable Raj Saini, M.P.
- Honourable Marwan Tabbara, M. P.
- Honourable Bardish Chagger, M.P.
- Honourable Bryan May, M.P.
- Honourable Amy Fee, M.P.P.
- Honourable Catherine Fife, M.P.P.
- Honourable Belinda Karahalios, M.P.P.
- Honourable Mike Harris, M.P.P.
- Honourable Laura Mae Lindo, M.P.P.
- Bill Karsten, President, Federation of Canadian Municipalities
- Monika Turner, Association of Municipalities of Ontario
- Rosa Bustamante, Director, Planning, City of Kitchener
- Ontario Municipalities

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COUNCIL RESOLUTION

SHUMARI

Resolution No.: 110-21

Date: Mar 23, 2021

Moved By: Don Smith

Seconded By: Meghan Ciment

THAT Council hereby supports the correspondence of the Municipality of Morris-Turnberry dated March 2, 2021.

THAT Council further directs the Clerk to circulate correspondence to the Honourable Doug Ford Premier of Ontario, the Honourable Sylvia Jones; Ontario Solicitor General, the Honourable Steve Clark, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, the Ontario Fire Marshal; Jon Pegg, and all municipalities within the Province of Ontario.

Carried

Defeated

Amended

Deferred

Wendy Landry
Signature

MUNICIPALITY OF MORRIS-TURNBERRY

P.O. Box 310, 41342 Morris Road, Brussels, Ontario N0G 1H0
Tel: 519-887-6137 Fax: 519-887-6424 Email: mail@morristorynberry.ca



March 10, 2021

Honourable Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario
Legislative Building
Queen's Park
Toronto ON M7A 1A1

Via email: premier@ontario.ca

Dear Honourable Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario

Please be advised that at their March 2nd, 2021 meeting the Council of the Municipality of Morris-Turnberry passed motion 66-2021 to endorse and support the resolution requesting the Province of Ontario reverse their decision to close the Ontario Fire College Campus in Gravenhurst.

MOTION Moved by Jim Nelemans
66-2021 Seconded by Sharen Zinn

WHEREAS the Ontario Fire College Campus has been in operation in Gravenhurst since 1958; and 6

WHEREAS the Ontario Fire College Campus is one of the primary sources of certified training for Ontario Firefighters; and

WHEREAS the Ontario Fire College Campus has built a reputation of integrity, credibility, and reliability in providing some of the best training to our Fire Services within the Province of Ontario; and

WHEREAS the Ontario Fire College Campus has been used to train and certify both Volunteer, Part-Time and Career firefighters throughout Ontario; and

WHEREAS the Regional Training Centers are not all created equal and similar in function to the Ontario Fire College Campus; and

WHEREAS the Ontario Fire College Campus gives Ontario Firefighters another option other than Regional Training Centers to obtain National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) certifications; and

WHEREAS the Ontario Fire College Campus is the most cost-effective method for municipalities to certify Firefighters to NFPA Standards in Ontario; and

WHEREAS the Ontario Government enacted and revoked O. Reg. 379/18: Firefighter Certification in 2018; and

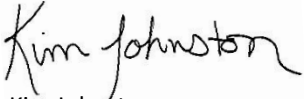
WHEREAS when the Ontario Government revoked O. Reg. 379/18: Firefighter Certification, it was made known by the Office of the Solicitor General that the act would be amended and brought back in the future; and

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Municipality of Morris-Turnberry requests that the Province of Ontario reverse their decision to close the Ontario Fire College Campus in Gravenhurst as the OFC is one of the best and most cost-effective methods for municipalities to train their firefighters which assists us in protecting our residents; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT this Resolution is forwarded to the Honourable Doug Ford Premier of Ontario, the Honourable Sylvia Jones; Ontario Solicitor General, the Honourable Steve Clark, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, the Ontario Fire Marshal; Jon Pegg, and all municipalities within the Province of Ontario.

Carried.

Thank you,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Kim Johnston". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial "K".

Kim Johnston
Deputy Clerk
Municipality of Morris-Turnberry

c.c Municipality of Charlton and Dack



COUNCIL RESOLUTION

SHUNIAH

Resolution No.: 111-21Date: Mar 23, 2021Moved By: Denise BluntSeconded By: Don Smith

THAT Council hereby supports the correspondence of the the Township of South Glengary resolution in support of Provincial Vaccine Rollout dated March 1, 2021.

THAT Council further directs the Clerk to circulate correspondence to the Honourable Doug Ford Premier of Ontario, MPP Michael Gravell, MPP Judith Monteith-Farrell, Honourable Christine Elliott, Minister of Health, Honourable Peter Bethlenfalvy, Minister of Finance and all municipalities within the Province of Ontario.

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Wendy Landry
Signature

Municipality of Shuniah, 420 Leslie Avenue, Thunder Bay, Ontario, P7A 1X8

CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF SOUTH GLENGARRY

MOVED BY Lyle WARDEN RESOLUTION NO 75-2021

SECONDED BY SAM McDONELL DATE March 1, 2021

WHEREAS COVID-19, a disease caused by the 2019 novel coronavirus, has resulted in the deaths of almost 7,000 Ontarians;

AND WHEREAS Canada currently lags behind dozens of nations in terms of the proportion of the population that has received doses of COVID-19 vaccines;

AND WHEREAS the federal government has moved too slowly and is failing to foster domestic vaccine-production capacity;

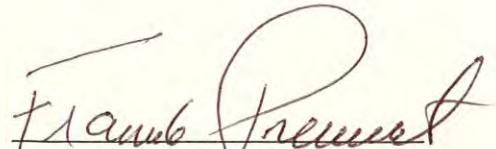
AND WHEREAS the number of administered vaccines in Ontario is not keeping pace with the number of doses that have been received by the provincial government;

AND WHEREAS the provincial COVID-19 vaccine booking system is not yet operational;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Township of South Glengarry urges Premier Doug Ford and the Province of Ontario to procure approved COVID-19 vaccines to be distributed to the residents of the Province of Ontario, increase the Province's vaccination rate to keep pace with the doses that have been received and accelerate the launch of its COVID-19 vaccine booking system;

AND FURTHERMORE that this resolution be forwarded to Premier Doug Ford, MPP Jim McDonell, Hon. Christine Elliot, Minister of Health, Hon. Peter Bethlenfalvy, Minister of Finance and all Ontario municipalities.

CARRIED DEFEATED POSTPONED


Mayor Frank Prevost



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March 25, 2021

The Right Honourable Justin Trudeau, MP
 Prime Minister of Canada
 Langevin Block
 Ottawa, Ontario K1A 0A2

Prime Minister:

RE: Bill C-21, An Act to amend certain Acts and to make certain consequential amendments (firearms)

At its Regular Meeting held on March 8, 2021 Council of the Town of Kingsville passed the following Resolution:

"205-2021

Moved By Councillor Thomas Neufeld, **Seconded By** Councillor Larry Patterson

A Resolution concerning Bill C-21, An Act to amend certain Acts and to make certain consequential amendments (firearms), specifically Amendment 26, Section (58.01 (1-8), Conditions-by-law.

WHEREAS municipalities have never been responsible for gun control laws in Canada;

AND WHEREAS law abiding Kingsville residents who own legal handguns have already been thoroughly vetted through the CFSC, PAL and ATT applications;

AND WHEREAS illegal gun owners and smugglers do not respect postal codes;

AND WHEREAS if one municipality enacts a ban and not a neighbouring municipality, this will create a patchwork of by-laws;

AND WHEREAS a municipal ban would be difficult to enforce and easy to get around.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that The Corporation of the Town of Kingsville is OPPOSED to the adoption of any by-laws restricting the possession, storage and transportation of legally obtained handguns;

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this resolution be forwarded to the following public officials: MP Chris Lewis-Essex, MPP Taras Natyshak-Essex, Premier of Ontario The Honourable Doug Ford, Leader of the Official Opposition Andrea Horwath, Prime Minister of Canada The Honourable Justin Trudeau, and Leader of Official Opposition The Honourable Erin O'Toole."

If you require any further information, please contact the undersigned.

Yours very truly,



Sandra Kitchen
Deputy Clerk-Council Services
Legislative Services Department
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cc: Hon. Doug Ford, Premier
cc: Hon. Andrea Horwath, Official Leader of the Opposition
cc: Hon. Erin O'Toole, Official Leader of the Opposition
cc: MP Chris Lewis- Essex
cc: MPP Taras Natyshak-Essex
cc: Hon. Bill Blair, Minister of Public Safety and Emergency Preparedness
cc: MP Shannon Stubbs
cc: Mayor Aldo DiCarlo, Town of Amherstburg
cc: Mayor Larry Snively, Town of Essex
cc: Mayor Tom Bain, Town of Lakeshore
cc: Mayor Marc Bondy, Town of LaSalle
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cc: all Municipalities in Ontario

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Guest Column*

The new [Municipal Innovation Exchange \(MIX\) Toolkit](#) outlines how local governments can build innovation capacity to meet communities' complex and rapidly-evolving needs and modernize public service.

AMO Matters

AMO President Graydon Smith [recaps the highlights](#) of the March 26 AMO Board meeting.

Every year at the AMO Conference the [PJ Marshall Awards](#) recognize municipal excellence and innovation in capital projects, operating efficiencies and new approaches to service delivery. If you have something you are proud to share, the deadline for [2021 submissions](#) is May 28, 2021.

On March 24, AMO hosted a webinar on long-term care for members. In case you missed it, the link to the recording is [here](#). For more information, contact [Michael Jacek](#), Senior Advisor.

Eye on Events

What are your municipality's legal and ethical obligations to persons with disabilities? AMO's partner, [eSolutionsGroup](#), addresses current Ontario legislation and how it affects content and systems compliance, technical aspects of updating and

maintaining accessible content on your website. Register now for the [April 8](#) or [April 15](#) webinar.

LAS

The pandemic has presented [several challenges for municipal fleets](#), making it more important than ever to focus on cost control, capital management, and the safety of employees and constituents.

We're excited to announce two NEW offerings under the [LAS Municipal Group Buying Program](#). Join us for these introductory webinars: we'll be hearing about Armtec's Bridge-in-a Box solution on April 7 at 10 am ([register here](#)), and our new Aggregates category on April 21 at 10 am ([register here](#)).

Our popular [Road & Sidewalk Assessment Service](#) has helped over 100 municipalities of all sizes better manage their surface assets. [Join us on April 8](#) to learn how this program helps you make the most of your public works budget.

Careers

[Development Analyst - Halton Region](#). Department: Finance, Capital & Development Financing Division. Position status: Permanent Full-Time. Posting #: F-136-21. Posting Expires: April 2, 2021. Please apply online at [Halton Job Postings](#).

[Chief Administrative Officer - Town of Gravenhurst](#). Known as the Gateway to Muskoka, Gravenhurst offers a prime geographical location, solid infrastructure, natural beauty and work-life balance. To explore this opportunity please apply via email by April 12, 2021 to careers@waterhousesearch.ca quoting project GR-CAO. Should you wish to speak to our Executive Recruiter or to receive a detailed position description please contact [Amy Oliveira](#) at 416.214.9299 x4, or [Jon Stungevicius](#) at 416.214.9299 x1.

[Manager, Development Finance - Town of East Gwillimbury](#). Position Status: Contract (12 months). If you're looking for a career that will enable you to contribute to a growing and inclusive community, please submit your resume and related information online at [ADP Workforce Now - Career Centre](#). Deadline for applications is April 14, 2021.

[RFP: Services of an Integrity Commissioner, Closed Meeting Investigator & Municipal Ombudsman - Town of Goderich](#). Proponents are required to submit three (3) sets of their proposal as described in Section 3.0. All copies must be delivered to the Town of Goderich, 57 West Street, Goderich, Ontario N7A 2K5. Proposals must be received no later than 4:00 p.m. on April 23, 2021. Proposals received at 4:01 p.m. or later, as shown on the stamp by the Town of Goderich will be considered late, will be rejected, and returned unopened to the respective proponent.

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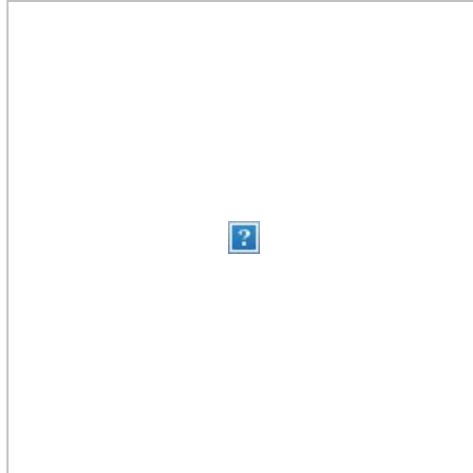
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We hope you safely enjoy your experiences in Durham Region. Remember to follow Durham Region Health Department guidance: Stay home if you are sick, physically distance from others, wear a mask, and wash your hands frequently. Please respect the health and safety rules of any venue or facility you visit.

April 2021

Springtime in Durham Region

Happy spring! We're excited to say that warmer weather is on its way! Soon enough, our beaches will be covered in soft sand instead of white snow, and we'll be saying goodbye to our parkas and hello to paradise. Good vibes, good fun and breathtaking views are just around the corner!

There's lots to see and do right here in your own backyard. Check out our [events calendar](#) or download the Great Taste of Ontario [Durham Region passport](#) to explore some of the fantastic restaurants, markets, farms, bakeries, wineries, cideries and breweries we have to offer.



War on Whiskey launches in Durham Region

Jump in your jalopy and embark on an authentic journey through Durham's prohibition past, while filling up on some lively libations and tasty food served to you by modern bootleggers.

Pickering Museum Village, the Canadian Automotive Museum, Parkwood Estates and the Robert McLaughlin Gallery have partnered with Central Counties Tourism to bring the 1920s alive in Durham Region. Launching this April, the museums are offering unique tours, exhibits, escape rooms and drive-thru tours featuring the 1920s era.

The museums are adding cultural tourism experiences to the existing War on Whisky: Drama in Durham, with self-guided driving tours that encourage locals to visit eight local breweries and wineries under the theme of 1920s prohibition and bootlegging.

- **April 17 to May 23:** Roaring 1920s Drive-Thru Tour at Pickering Museum Village

- **April 17 to May 23:** 1920s Automotive Tour at the Canadian Automotive Museum
- **April 17 to May 23:** 1920s AutoBarron Tour at Parkwood Estate
- **April 21 to November 19:** Glad Rags and Giggie Juice Guided Tour at Pickering Museum Village
- **June 2 to August 27:** Prohibition Escape Room at Pickering Museum Village

Due to the impact of COVID-19, the focus for the 2021 season will be on local tourism, encouraging people to explore the scandalous history of bootlegging by exploring the breweries and museums in their local community. The twelve participating businesses will also focus on COVID-19 safe practices, including physical distancing, wearing masks, and encouraging visits by social bubble and small group experiences.

[Learn more and purchase tickets](#)

50 years of Art, Stories and Love

Station Gallery is celebrating 50 years of Art, Stories and Love this year, and they want to hear from YOU! Tell your stories about experiencing art at the Gallery and how it's made an impact on your life. They'll be sharing these stories throughout the next few months through their new [anniversary campaign](#).

[Learn more about Station Gallery](#)

Host your next celebration at Royal Ashburn's new outdoor event space

The Royal Ashburn Golf Club opened as an 18-hole golf course in the spring of 1962 and has developed into a world-class facility—not only for golf, but for hosting your events and celebrations too. Many couples have held their dream weddings here, but COVID-19 has put wedding season on pause. To provide couples with an option to move ahead with their plans, while adhering to current public health guidelines, Royal Ashburn has invested in a brand-new outdoor tented event space.

Set to open on **May 1**, this 3,200 square foot' outdoor tented space has an interlock stone dance floor, 1,500 square foot' outdoor patio, and is beautifully landscaped. Full-service meals are available from Executive Chef John Griggs, or couples have the option to hire catering. The space is also an ideal location for celebrations of life, galas, bar mitzvas and more.

Stay and play packages:

The Royal Ashburn also has lots to offer avid golfers! Those looking for a unique staycation can book a beautiful on-site cabin with their [stay and play golf packages](#). Enjoy great golf, awesome accommodations and gourmet meals prepared by Executive Chef John Griggs.

AIM Golf Academy:

Bring out your inner athlete at the [AIM \(Athletes in Motion\) Golf Academy](#). Royal Ashburn recently partnered with Brandon McLeod of the AIM Golf Academy to take a holistic approach to the game of golf with a major focus on health and wellness. Learn to play programs are available for men, women and juniors with customized programs and workshops to make you a better overall athlete.

[Book online now](#)

Enter to win with the "Snap a Selfie" Contest

PineRidge Arts Council (PRAC) is holding a Durham Region wide "Snap a Selfie" with a sculpture contest. Snap a selfie with one of the fabulous sculptures in your neighbourhood and share your photos on the PRAC [Facebook group](#) or Instagram account with [#SculpturesOfDurham](#).

At the end of the month, PRAC will select the Instagram post with the most likes and award the photographer a cash prize of \$50. [Central Counties Tourism](#) has also partnered on this contest to award a \$50 gift certificate to a player on Instagram AND a \$50 gift certificate to a player on Facebook (to a Durham Region restaurant or retailer of their choice).

[Learn more about the contest](#)




Go behind the scenes with Durham Region farmers

Durham Region farmers are offering behind-the-scenes virtual farm tours throughout 2021. Each tour will be hosted by a farmer and will share a beyond the farm gate view of many different types of farms. The Facebook Live tours will be broadcast live from the Durham Farm Connections [Facebook page](#) and will be available for on-demand viewing after the broadcast for a period of one week.

Tune in to the next tour on **April 8** at 4:30 p.m., featuring an egg farm! Upcoming tours have also been confirmed on many different types of farms including a greenhouse, field crop, dairy, apple orchard, sheep, peas and strawberries, hay, herb (specialty tea), wheat, apple cider, field vegetables and fruits, a flower farm, and more to be added.

Have some virtual fun on the farm, and learn about agriculture and food production in Durham Region!



[Learn more](#)



"March Break" events at Parkwood Estate

Parkwood Estate is one of Canada's finest National Historic Sites. Despite tours being temporarily suspended due to COVID-19, they are continuing to offer fantastic workshops for kids during "March Break." With the break being moved to April, Parkwood has planned a week full of activities from **April 12 to 16**. A variety of fun themed take home box lunches and creative take home workshops available for purchase!

[Get your tickets](#)

Canadian Tire Motorsport Park celebrates 60 years

Congratulations to Canadian Tire Motorsport Park (CTMP) on marking 60 years of racing this year! To celebrate this milestone, CTMP has introduced a 60th anniversary logo that was revealed in a [tribute video](#); tracing the circuit's history back through the years.

As part of the celebration, they have also launched a line of [60th anniversary merchandise](#) and the CTMP60 podcast on [YouTube](#).

Here's to many more years of entertaining Canadians and racing fans from around the world.

[Learn more about CTMP](#)



For unique trip ideas or to plan your perfect day, visit DurhamTourism.ca, or call 1-800-413-0017. If this information is required in an accessible format, contact [Durham Tourism](http://DurhamTourism).

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