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FCM VOICE

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COVID-19: Big push on financial support for municipalities

It's been another week of unprecedented challenges—and remarkable municipal leadership. You are working hard to keep vital services running and residents supported. FCM is pressing hard for the financial assistance many of you will need to continue your vital week.

Last week, FCM continued intensive conversations with senior federal decision-makers. And we kept grounded in local realities through continual member engagement. That included teleconferences with FCM's Rural Forum, our Big City Mayors' Caucus, our Provincial-Territorial Associations, and a group of local Chief Financial Officers.

Our municipal challenges are Canada's challenges. Our progress is Canada's progress. And our story is increasingly being told by the country's national press. That includes a **major feature in Monday's *Globe and Mail*** (following **earlier coverage** in Postmedia outlets across Canada).

Other highlights from Ottawa:

- On Saturday, Parliament adopted the \$73 billion **COVID-19 wage subsidy package**, which will subsidize up to 75 percent of salaries for qualifying employers.
- In Saturday's emergency sitting of the House, the federal government committed to adapt the **Canada Emergency Response Benefit** to include more more people in our communities.
- Yesterday, the federal government announced **that farmers and food processors will receive \$1,500 per temporary foreign worker** to assist in their 14-day quarantines.

As local leaders, you are absolutely central to carrying Canadians through this pandemic onto better roads ahead. And FCM will be here for you every step of the way.

NEWS

Support for Canada Summer Jobs will help communities

As Canada faces economic uncertainty during the pandemic, the federal government has updated the Canada Summer Jobs program to help support the ongoing needs of communities. The temporary changes include a wage subsidy to cover up to 100 percent of the minimum hourly wage for each employee and the ability to modify projects to support essential services. These developments will help keep youth active in the labour market and protect community services.

[▶ LEARN MORE](#)

Reminder: Fostering brownfield redevelopment email series

Sign up for FCM's microlearning email series, **Fostering brownfield redevelopment**. Designed to support municipal staff and elected officials when considering brownfield redevelopment opportunities, the series will deliver short weekly emails outlining key actions over eight weeks, from how to streamline your municipality's approval process, to building partnerships with brownfield stakeholders.

[▶ SIGN UP TODAY](#)

Helping Jordan municipalities respond to COVID-19

FCM's Jordan Municipal Support Project (JMSP) has been actively supporting their partner municipalities in Jordan to respond to COVID-19. In addition to crisis management guidance materials, JMSP has helped procure crucial protective equipment that will help keep municipal employees safe as they deliver key public services. Learn more about FCM's work in Jordan.

[▶ FIND OUT MORE](#)

RESOURCES

Updated COVID-19 resources for municipalities

Faced with new and unprecedented challenges, communities are innovating to find solutions to continue to serve residents during COVID19 shutdowns. Libraries are using 3D printers to make medical shields, municipalities are ensuring that residents can still use public Wi-Fi and communities are deploying staff to help drive meals to seniors. Check out FCM's updated COVID19 resource page, featuring case studies from municipalities across Canada.

[▶ LEARN MORE](#)

FCM TWEETS 

Apr 13: Municipalities are working hard to keep people safe and services running. But revenues are bottoming out and they can't run deficits. So #CDNmuni need urgent help to keep our water running, garbage collected, vulnerable people safely sheltered, and so much more. <https://tgam.ca/3evCJ4C>

Apr 12: "Broadband is a vital lifeline right now." FCM Rural Forum Chair @orb_ray shares how #COVID19 pandemic has highlighted the gaps that exist btw different #CDNmuni across Canada. #RuralMatters #UniversalBroaband <https://bit.ly/2VrcKma>

Apr 9: In just 8 weeks you can gain knowledge, practical experience and best practices on redeveloping brownfields. Sign up for FCM's weekly email series today: <http://bit.ly/2TIWUsY> #CDNmuni

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Hello,

At Metrolinx, the health and safety of our staff and customers is of critical concern. In continued support of provincial action in protecting Ontarians from COVID-19, Metrolinx took the unprecedented step of reducing GO Transit and UP Express services.

Starting April 8, all GO train lines will continue to operate – with reduced frequency. GO bus service will also be adjusted. Revised GO schedules are available here:

- Train Routes: gotransit.com/trainschedulechanges
- Bus Routes: gotransit.com/busschedulechanges

Rail service will run every 60-90 minutes at times of day each line generally has service. Bus service will also be reduced and adjusted to align with train service. UP Express will continue to operate every 30 minutes.

All trains on our branch lines will be reduced to six coaches in order to make better use of our resources while ridership is low. Please adjust where you wait on the platform depending on your station.

Our key consideration is ensuring our services can continue and our employees and customers are safe. By reducing our service, we are able to rotate our employees on our vehicles and stations.

The reduced services are in line with significant reduction in ridership due to the direction of Public Health to self-isolate. We're seeing passenger reductions in the 90% range, and we continue to monitor the numbers closely.

Our customers will still get the same safe experience, our Transit Safety and customer service teams will continue to be available to help customers get where they need to go. Our teams will also maintain the increased level of cleaning on our vehicles and stations.

We are continuing to monitor service very closely and adjusting service to get essential workers to their shifts in hospitals, shelters, food service, nursing home, etc. so they can get to where we need them most – on the frontlines.

We ask our customers to please watch and refer to gotransit.com and upexpress.com for the latest updates, and their line specific Twitter accounts as well.

Warm regards,
Stakeholder Relations Office

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AMO COVID-19 Update – New Emergency Orders

Extension of All Ontario Emergency Orders until April 23

Today, the Province has extended all emergency orders under s.7.0.2 (4) of the *Emergency Management and Civil Protection Act* ([Ontario Takes Further Action to Stop the Spread of COVID-19](#)) until April 23, 2020, including the closure of outdoor amenities in parks and recreational areas, non-essential workplaces, public places and bars and restaurants, along with restrictions on social gatherings. This extension is to help stop the spread of COVID-19 and protect the health and safety of Ontarians.

In addition, new measures have been introduced to address surge capacity in retirement homes, restrict recreational camping on Crown land, and allow the repurposing of existing buildings and temporary structures.

Temporary Health Care Structures for COVID-19

On April 9th, an emergency order ([Order under Subsection 7.0.2 \(4\) of the Act - Temporary Health or Residential Facilities](#)) under the *Emergency Management and Civil Protection Act*, provides relief from the Building Code to temporary health care structures being built for COVID-19 purposes. These structures are not designed to meet the normal requirements for health care facilities (such as HVAC or oxygen gas lines). However, they are needed as hospitals require new beds to care for those suffering from the pandemic as well as the other patients.

Specifically, the structures will:

- not be subject to the Building Code,
- no building permit will be required,
- no zoning or site plans will be required.

These structures would need to be designed by architects and approved by engineers. Both these professions would have to sign off on the structures. The Chief Building Official (CBO) will need to deem the building safe and regularly inspect for structural sufficiency in keeping with the original design. We understand that CBOs have requested this approach and have been consulted by the Province in advance of this order.

Discussion about the orderly dismantling of these structures during the recovery period is taking place and will unfold as the epidemic starts to subside.

The Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing will be setting up webinars soon to take building officials and municipal staff through the order and answer questions. More MMAH information about those sessions will be coming next week.

Construction Act Payment Suspension Revision

The Province has revised one *Construction Act* section of a previous emergency order, O. Reg. 73/20 made under the *Emergency Management and Civil Protection Act*, which suspended limitation periods and procedural time periods retroactive to March 16, 2020. At the time of this update, O. Reg. 73/20 has not been revised to include this revision on the provincial e-Laws site.

This emergency order has been amended to lift the suspension of limitation periods and procedural time periods under the *Construction Act*. This will allow for the release of holdback payments to contractors and subcontractors in the normal course, helping to resolve a potentially significant cash flow problem as a result of the order for the construction industry.

The suspension will be lifted on April 16, 2020, to give the industry time to prepare for these changes. Once lifted, parties will have the same amount of time to meet a deadline that had been remaining before the suspension began on March 16, 2020.

Child Care Operators prevented from Charging Fees while Closed

During the COVID-19 outbreak, the Ontario government is temporarily preventing child care centres from collecting payments from parents, while also ensuring that their child care spaces are protected. Child care centres, with the exception of those accommodating health care and other frontline workers, were ordered closed to help prevent the spread of the virus and keep the children and child care staff safe.

An emergency order (Ontario Protects Parents during COVID-19) has been issued, and immediately prevents any child care operator from charging parent fees where care is not being provided. The order also means that parents cannot lose their child care space because they are not paying fees during this period. This order will affect closed municipal child care centres.

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

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April 9, 2020

I am writing to let you know that the Ontario government is revising one element of a previous emergency order, O. Reg. 73/20 made under the *Emergency Management and Civil Protection Act*, which suspended limitation periods and procedural time periods retroactive to March 16, 2020.

The previous order was made to help Ontarians who are having difficulty meeting those time requirements as a result of the COVID-19 outbreak.

The emergency order has been amended to lift the suspension of limitation periods and procedural time periods under the *Construction Act*. This will allow for the release of holdback payments to contractors and subcontractors in the normal course, helping to resolve a potentially significant cash flow problem as a result of the order for the construction industry.

The suspension will be lifted on April 16, 2020, to give the industry time to prepare for these changes. Once lifted, parties will have the same amount of time to meet a deadline that had been remaining before the suspension began on March 16, 2020.

The amendments to the order also address the *Niagara Escarpment Planning and Development Act*. The amendments to O. Reg. 73/20 will be posted on e-Laws at: <https://www.ontario.ca/laws/regulation/200073>.

Please note that at the time you receive this email, e-Laws may not yet be updated to reflect the amendments.

Sincerely,

Doug Downey
Attorney General

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AMO COVID-19 Update: Recovery

Spring in Ontario, and this time in particular, is emblematic of rejuvenation, hope, and the promise of brighter days ahead.

Since the onset of the COVID-19 emergency, AMO has recognized the fundamentally important and indispensable role of municipal government in the recovery that will follow.

This quote from AMO President Jamie McGarvey has been front and center on the AMO COVID-19 webpage since it was established on the first day of the emergency:

“There is no place better prepared than Ontario to respond to the COVID-19 emergency, manage through it effectively, and to rebuild prosperity through a period of recovery. Municipalities will support the province, our communities, and enterprises large and small, every step of the way”.

One way we will do this is through the AMO-MOU process which serves to augment the policy capacity of the province by providing sector expertise and information, and local intelligence, to support fully informed provincial decision making.

AMO applauds the Government’s announcement on April 9th, that it has created a Cabinet committee to develop a plan for post-pandemic growth and prosperity.

Through the AMO-MOU process, and through our many contacts and networks, we will ensure that the experience of the people, social and private enterprises that comprise our communities – and the energy, aspirations and know-how of the communities that comprise Ontario’s economy – are brought to bear on the work of the committee.

This emergency has shown all of us what is possible when all orders of government, and all parties, collaborate to get the job done. AMO salutes this approach and is confident that it will inform the work of the recovery in rebuilding and stimulating the economic activity in our communities that will be the foundation of growth and prosperity in Ontario and Canada.

Thank you to our members for the incredible work you are doing to respond to the emergency and to begin the recovery. To municipal councils for your leadership in tough times, and to the extraordinary municipal public servants, from administration to the frontlines of the emergency and recovery, thank you!

AMO will support its members in every aspect of this emergency and the recovery that follows.

We are keeping our [COVID-19 webpage](#) current and focusing on what's most relevant.

AMO's dedicated COVID-19 email account will manage your questions, take your ideas, and facilitate your feedback. AMO's policy and member services teams look forward to hearing from you at covid19@amo.on.ca.

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Invitation to COVID-19 Communicators Series

Virtual Meeting to Share Information

Tuesday, April 14, 2020 at 10:30 AM Eastern Standard Time

Each week our AMO and Redbrick COVID-19 Communicators Series presents a range of perspectives from municipal governments, large and small.

This week's panel includes: **Patrick Casey**, Director of Corporate Communications at York Region (pop. 1.2 million); **Patti McKague**, Director Strategic Communications and Community Engagement at the City of London (pop. 340,000); **Tony Iavarone**, Director of Communications at the City of Waterloo (pop. 120,000); **Lisa Caissie**, Manager of Strategic Communications and Public Affairs at the City of Saint John, NB (pop. 115,000); **Justin Bromberg**, Chief of Staff and Communications Manager for the United Counties of Prescott-Russell (pop. 90,000, across 2,000 square kilometres); and **Jessica Linthorne**, Director of Strategic Initiatives for the Town of Saugeen Shores (pop. 14,500).

AGENDA

- **What have been your biggest challenges this week?**
- **What solutions can the panel and call participants offer to address each of these challenges? (strategies, tactics, tools, apps, etc.)**
- **Do you have generic products that you can share, or examples that you think others should see?**
- **What comes next? What are you preparing for looking a week, or a month down the road?**

Advance questions can be sent to the moderator, Brian Lambie, Redbrick Communications, lambie@redbrick.ca

All public sector communicators are welcome, and each week we have seen more than 150 people participate by asking questions and sharing best

practices.

AMO distributes this invitation to municipal communications managers who serve as designated representatives on AMO's Communications Manager Group. Contact covid19@amo.on.ca to join.

Redbrick Communications distributes this invitation to everyone in its Communications Network, which is free to join at www.redbrick.ca.

Recordings of past calls are available on AMO's COVID-19 Resources Page, under Webinars.MO

<http://www.amo.on.ca/AMO-Content/Health/COVID19Resources>

Please click the link below to join the webinar:

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<https://zoom.us/j/631780275>

Or Telephone:

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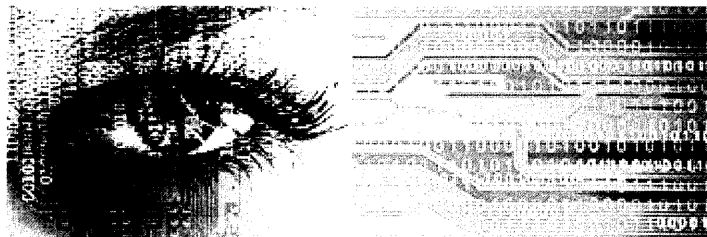
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- Main Street Revitalization Initiative final reporting extensions.
- AMO 2020 Conference.
- Cancellation deadline extended for exhibitors to July 6 in response to COVID-19.
- AMO's popular social media webinar series available through Municipal Education.
- Municipal Group Buying Program webinar: Procurement.
- Upcoming ONE Investment webinars: April 15 and 16.

AMO COVID-19 Resources

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

Over the last few weeks, AMO has been hosting webinars to support members in communications during COVID-19 and guidance for council meetings with electronic attendance. These are [now available here](#).

AMO Matters

If Main Street Revitalization Initiative funded projects are complete, please submit the [final report](#) by May 15, 2020. Due to COVID-19 challenges, AMO may be able to provide extensions for final reporting if requested. Contact [Adam Garcia](#) with questions.

Eye on Events

In person or online, AMO 2020 will connect municipal leaders to the information they need most. Planning is well underway for August 16-19 in Ottawa, but we are also planning for a contingency approach that would transform AMO 2020 into a virtual conference if need be. Contact [Poonam Ruparelia](#) with questions. Visit the [AMO website](#) for updates, details and registration information.

Recognizing how quickly things are changing in the environment of COVID-19, and in appreciation of our valued exhibitors, AMO is extending the exhibitor cancellation deadline. Exhibitor information can be [found here](#).

Over the past few weeks, AMO and Redbrick Communications have been supporting members on communications through COVID19. Additional resources are now available for a nominal fee through AMO's Municipal Education Portal. [Register now](#).

LAS

Webinar April 22 @ 10am - Group Buying can help municipalities save time and money on the things they buy every day, but spending resident tax dollars must be

done with care and diligence. Join us to learn how the procurement process works in our [Municipal Group Buying Program](#), and how we help ensure compliance with legislation and trade agreements. [Register here](#).

ONE Investment

ONE is holding 2 important webinars to discuss in detail how COVID-19 has impacted the ONE Legal List Portfolios:

- April 15: Canadian Bonds and Money Markets: Hosted by MFS Investment Management. [Register here](#).
- April 16: Canadian Equity Markets: Hosted by MFS Guardian Capital. [Register here](#).

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**The Regional Municipality of Durham
COVID-19 Media Clippings**

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Durham Region Newsroom

[Share your support virtually with Durham workplaces](#)

durham.ca – April 9, 2020

Based on guidance from public health experts, Region of Durham workplaces are not accepting homemade food, flowers or other gifts – but you can still share your support virtually.

[Seasonal leaf and yard waste no longer accepted at Regional waste management facilities but still accepted at the curb](#)

durham.ca – April 8, 2020

The Regional Municipality of Durham is advising residents that effective April 7 and until further notice, leaf and yard waste will no longer be accepted at its waste management facilities (WMFs). Residents can instead take advantage of the free curbside leaf and yard waste collection.

Local press releases

[Pickering partners with Canada Sews to create masks in fight against COVID-19](#)

pickering.ca – April 8, 2020

The City of Pickering and Pickering Public Library have loaned out 10 sewing machines to Canada Sews, in support of its volunteer program, which provides fabric masks and scrub caps to frontline workers in need.

[Pedestrian Bridge over Petticoat Creek Closure](#)

pickering.ca – April 8, 2020

The pedestrian bridge over Petticoat Creek has been closed in the east at Cliffview Park and in the west at the Petticoat Creek Conservation area.

[Ajax Council launches \\$25,000 COVID-19 Special Response Fund](#)

Ajax.ca – April 8, 2020

Today on behalf of Ajax Council, Mayor Shaun Collier announced via video that the Town will be providing \$25,000 in funding to groups delivering vital services and programming to our community's most vulnerable in Ajax during the COVID-19 pandemic.

[Town Awards More Than \\$30,000 to Local Organizations Responding to COVID-19](#)

whitby.ca – April 8, 2020

The Town of Whitby has awarded over \$30,000 in funding to seven local community organizations who are supporting the response to COVID-19.

[COVID-19 Update 17: waste collection changes this holiday weekend; yard waste pickup continues at the curb](#)

oshawa.ca – April 8, 2020

Although there are some changes to City of Oshawa services due to COVID-19, City waste collection staff continue to provide curbside waste collection for households, including yard waste collection at the curb.

[Mayor Carter's video update for April 8](#)

oshawa.ca – April 8, 2020

In his Wednesday, April 8 video message, Oshawa Mayor Dan Carter continues to urge community members to follow government orders not to gather in groups of more than five people and health authority guidelines to stay home as much as possible and maintain a physical distance of 6 feet (2 metres) from others.

[Street Sweeping to Commence](#)

uxbridge.ca – April 8, 2020

Street sweeping will begin shortly - weather permitting - and will take 6 – 8 weeks to complete.

[Township of Brock COVID-19 Update # 9](#)

Townshipofbrock.ca – April 8, 2020

Further to our update on March 31, 2020, where the Township announced that we were extending the closure of all our facilities, indoor and outdoor, indefinitely as well as extending the burn ban until further notice, as part of our ongoing efforts to curb the spread of COVID-19, the Township would like to provide the following update.

[Notice – Office Hours for Easter Weekend](#)

Townshipofbrock.ca – April 8, 2020

As a reminder, all Township of Brock facilities are closed to the public due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

Federal and Provincial press releases

[Ontario Accelerates Essential Construction Projects During COVID-19](#)

ontario.ca – April 8, 2020

In response to the outbreak of COVID-19, Ontario is extending construction hours for essential construction projects, like critical projects in the health care sector, to 24 hours a day.

[Readout: Minister of Foreign Affairs speaks with his counterpart from the U.K.](#)

canada.ca – April 8, 2020

The Honourable François-Philippe Champagne, Minister of Foreign Affairs, today spoke with the United Kingdom's Foreign Secretary and First Secretary of State, Dominic Raab.

[Travel restrictions still in place at international border crossings for the upcoming long weekend](#)

canada.ca – April 8, 2020

As we head into the upcoming Easter and Passover long weekend – a weekend that represents for many a time to be with family and friends – the Canada Border Services Agency (CBSA) would like to remind all that #NowIsNotTheTime for social gatherings.

[Competition Bureau statement on competitor collaborations during the COVID-19 pandemic](#)

canada.ca – April 8, 2020

As Canada grapples with the impacts of COVID-19, Canadian businesses face a number of unprecedented challenges.

[Human rights implications of COVID-19](#)

canada.ca – April 8, 2020

The Honourable François-Philippe Champagne, Minister of Foreign Affairs, and the Honourable Karina Gould, Minister of International Development, today issued the following statement.

[Government provides further flexibility for employers to access the Canada Emergency Wage Subsidy](#)

canada.ca – April 8, 2020

The Government of Canada is taking immediate, significant and decisive action to support Canadians and employers facing hardship as a result of the global COVID-19 outbreak.

[Additional Details on the Canada Emergency Wage Subsidy](#)

canada.ca – April 8, 2020

To help employers keep and return workers to their payroll through the challenges posed by the COVID-19 pandemic, the Prime Minister, Justin Trudeau, announced the new Canada Emergency Wage Subsidy on March 27, 2020.

Local news

[Coronavirus could infect the Clarington economy](#)

DurhamRegion.com – April 9, 2020

As impact of the COVID-19 pandemic spills beyond the hospitals and crashes into the local economy, the Municipality of Clarington and local businesses are wrestling with how to get through without laying off staff.

[Durham real estate in time of coronavirus: say goodbye to the open house](#)

DurhamRegion.com – April 9, 2020

They sure didn't plan it this way, but a Millbrook couple picked a terrible time to put their house on the market.

[I sewed a sloppy coronavirus mask — so you don't have to](#)

DurhamRegion.com – April 9, 2020

Turns out there's a difference between crafty and COVID-19 crafty.

[Horse racing at Ajax Downs postponed, training delayed](#)

DurhamRegion.com – April 8, 2020

Quarter-horse racing at Ajax Downs won't be getting underway in early May.

[This new concept coming to Durham lets you shop straight from the farmer, baker or grower](#)

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From spring through fall, you can find local farmer Michael Longarini selling his vegetables at the Clarington Farmers' Market.

[Scugog bailing out boaters with storage concerns](#)

DurhamRegion.com – April 9, 2020

Scugog has eased its boat storage restrictions amidst the coronavirus pandemic, allowing vessels to be stored on residential driveways.

[Burn ban in place to protect firefighters, residents: Brock mayor](#)

DurhamRegion.com – April 9, 2020

A burn ban has been put in place to keep Brock's firefighters and residents safe, says Mayor Debbie Bath-Hadden.

[Online learning? Thousands of Durham students don't have tech at home](#)

DurhamRegion.com – April 9, 2020

When the province announced that schools would stay closed until at least May 4 and that learning would be moving online, thousands of students in Durham were without access to technology and internet at home.

[Oshawa GO Transit parking spot leaseholder not happy with Metrolinx policy](#)

DurhamRegion.com – April 9, 2020

An Oshawa GO Train user who leases a reserved parking spot at the Oshawa lot is frustrated with the way her situation is being handled during the coronavirus pandemic.

[Ajax offering grants to groups helping community during coronavirus](#)

DurhamRegion.com – April 9, 2020

Groups helping deliver services during the pandemic could be eligible for funding from the town.

[Uxbridge vows 'no leniency' to those violating burn ban](#)

DurhamRegion.com – April 9, 2020

The Uxbridge Fire Department will show "no leniency" when it comes to billing homeowners who flaunt the township's ongoing burn ban.

[Scugog communications company speeds up internet service](#)

DurhamRegion.com – April 9, 2020

A Scugog communications company is speeding up its service to local customers.

[Scugog extends coronavirus closures indefinitely](#)

DurhamRegion.com – April 9, 2020

Scugog has announced the indefinite closure of all public facilities and the cancellation of programs and events "to safeguard the health of the community" during the ongoing coronavirus pandemic.

[Eleven new cases of COVID-19 reported in Durham Wednesday, no new deaths](#)

Durham Radio News – April 8, 2020

The Region of Durham is reporting 11 new cases of COVID-19 on Wednesday afternoon, but no new deaths.

[Oshawa Power donates N95 masks to Lakeridge Health and CAREA](#)

Durham Radio News – April 8, 2020

Oshawa Power is doing their part to keep frontline workers armed with much-needed equipment by donating 1,000 N95 masks to Lakeridge Health and CAREA.

[City of Pickering helping Canada Sews make masks and scrub caps](#)

Durham Radio News – April 8, 2020

The City of Pickering is loaning sewing machines to a national volunteer program to create fabric masks and scrub caps for frontline workers in need.

[Alzheimer Society of Durham Region still open](#)

Durham Radio News – April 8, 2020

The Alzheimer Society of Durham Region say they are still open for business and supporting families and clients during the COVID-19 pandemic.

[Don't bring leaves or yard waste to the dump, says region](#)

Durham Radio News – April 8, 2020

You can't drop off your brown bags at the dump anymore, but you can still leave them at the curb.

[Latest COVID-19 updates](#)

Durham Radio News – April 9, 2020

Who is at risk? How is it spread? What do I do if I think I have been infected?

[Durham Region recognizes the importance of agriculture sector](#)

The Brock Voice – April 8, 2020

The following statement is being issued on behalf of John Henry, Regional Chair and Chief Executive Officer for The Regional Municipality of Durham.

[Lakeview Manor employee tests positive for COVID-19](#)

The Brock Voice – April 8, 2020

An employee at Lakeview Manor in Beaverton has tested positive for COVID-19.

[Virus makes its way to North Durham](#)

The Uxbridge Cosmos – April 8, 2020

The novel coronavirus has arrived in the Township of Uxbridge – as of press time, there were seven confirmed cases in the township.

General news updates

[Canada could see 11,000 to 22,000 deaths due to COVID-19](#)

CP24 – April 9, 2020

Canada as a whole could see between 11,000 and 22,000 deaths due to COVID-19 over the length of the pandemic, modelling produced by federal health officials suggests.

[OPP urges Ontarians not to travel on weekend, citing coronavirus fight](#)

DurhamRegion.com – April 8, 2020

The top cop at the OPP is urging Ontarians to forego any plans to travel over the Easter long weekend, citing efforts to halt the spread of COVID-19.

[Show your support for the food service industry by ordering in on #TakeoutDay](#)

Durham Radio News – April 8, 2020

Restaurants Canada estimates around 800,000 food service workers have lost their jobs to COVID-19, but you can support your favourite local spot by staying home and ordering in starting next Wednesday.

[Costco temporarily allowing healthcare workers and first responders to go to front of lines outside of warehouses](#)

Durham Radio News – April 9, 2020

Costco is finding a new way to say “thank you” to healthcare workers and first responders.

[Doug Ford demanding more COVID-19 testing in Ontario](#)

Durham Radio News – April 8, 2020

Premier Doug Ford says his patience with Ontario's slow pace of COVID-19 testing has run thin and he wants more done starting Thursday.

[Ottawa relaxes requirements for wage subsidy program and retools summer jobs program](#)

Durham Radio News – April 8, 2020

Prime Minister Justin Trudeau says the emergency federal wage subsidy program will have looser standards than previously announced, allowing more businesses and companies to take advantage.

[Province confirms 550 new COVID-19 cases on Wednesday and 21 more deaths](#)

Durham Radio News – April 8, 2020

The province hit a new dubious record for COVID-19 cases on Wednesday.

['Dynamic' physical distancing could help balance COVID-19 fight, economy in Ontario: study](#)

Global News – April 9, 2020

Dialing physical distancing measures up and down could be a way of sustaining the long-term fight against COVID-19 while not crushing the economy, a new study from Ontario researchers suggests.

[Coronavirus: Canada Goose increasing production of medical gear, reopens more factories](#)

Global News – April 9, 2020

Canada Goose Holdings Inc. is moving to increase its domestic production of personal protective equipment for health-care workers across Canada.

[Coronavirus: Canada lost 1 million jobs in March](#)

Global News – April 9, 2020

Canada's March labour market report, the first since the country started feeling the full impact of the coronavirus pandemic, shows the economy shed more than one million jobs last month, Statistics Canada said on Thursday.

[Coronavirus: Ontario grocery stores, pharmacies to be closed Friday, Sunday of holiday weekend](#)

Global News – April 8, 2020

Premier Doug Ford announced a break for grocery store and pharmacy workers — Friday and Sunday off for the upcoming holiday long weekend that includes Easter and Passover amid the coronavirus pandemic.

[Coronavirus: 1 new death reported at Bobcaygeon, Ont. nursing home, death toll at 28 residents](#)

Global News – April 8, 2020

Another resident from a Bobcaygeon, Ont., nursing home died overnight Tuesday as the death toll from a novel coronavirus outbreak has reached 28 residents, the facility's administrator reported Wednesday.

[World leaders warn Easter holiday travel could jeopardize COVID-19 improvements](#)

Global News – April 9, 2020

As the Easter holiday approaches, world leaders and health officials are fervently warning that the hard-won gains in the fight against the coronavirus must not be jeopardized by relaxing social distancing.

[Did you get 2 CERB payments? It's not a mistake, minister says](#)

Global News – April 8, 2020

Two days after applications opened for the new coronavirus emergency aid benefit, (CERB) some Canadians awoke to find two separate payments from the government in their bank accounts.

['Planking the curve': Experts caution Canada is still far from halting COVID-19](#)

CTV News – April 8, 2020

After weeks of staying home, avoiding public spaces and closing non-essential businesses, Canadians are left wondering: is Canada flattening the curve?

[Half billion more people face poverty due to virus: Oxfam](#)

CTV News – April 9, 2020

Around half a billion people could be pushed into poverty as a result of the economic fallout from the coronavirus pandemic unless richer countries take "urgent action" to help developing nations, a leading aid organization warned Thursday.

['Help us': Ontario health care workers appeal to Premier Ford](#)

CTV News – April 9, 2020

Canadian Union of Public Employees (CUPE) is planning a workplace action across long-term care facilities and hospitals in Ontario.

[Domestic violence calls surge during coronavirus pandemic](#)

680 News – April 8, 2020

As millions of Canadians across the country are being told to stay home to stop the spread of COVID-19, some are worried that it's putting them at risk of another problem, one that experts say is also a pandemic.

[GTA municipalities ramp up coronavirus enforcement measures](#)

680 News – April 8, 2020

Municipalities across the Greater Toronto Area are ramping up enforcement of coronavirus emergency measures.

[Hackers' new target during pandemic: video conference calls](#)

680 News – April 7, 2020

Ceri Weber had just begun to defend her dissertation when the chaos began: Echoes and voices interrupted her.

[Viral inequality: Coronavirus might be an equalizer but society is not](#)

The Toronto Star – April 8, 2020

NYC governor Andrew Cuomo called the Coronavirus "The Great Equalizer."

[Canadian Public Health Association calls for new federal powers over public health spending](#)

The Toronto Star – April 9, 2020

As the COVID-19 outbreak ramps up, the Canadian Public Health Association is issuing a call for more federal power to direct national spending on public health.

[Desperate long-term care homes struggle to find staff as COVID-19 sickens resident and sidelines workers](#)

The Toronto Star – April 9, 2020

Struggling to fill empty shifts for front-line workers, the Reka Centres' long-term care staff telephoned 1,000 former health-care interns asking for their help.

[Faulty medical masks were worn by staff in two Toronto seniors' homes hit by COVID-19 outbreaks](#)

The Toronto Star – April 8, 2020

Defective medical masks supplied to the city of Toronto were worn by staff in two long-term care homes hit by COVID-19, including one in Scarborough with a disastrously deadly outbreak.

[Loved ones remember those who have lost their lives to COVID-19 in Ontario](#)

CTV News – April 8, 2020

In the midst of a global pandemic, more than 150 people in Ontario have lost their lives to COVID-19.

[Health care workers shouldn't work at multiple nursing homes: nurses' group](#)

CTV News – April 8, 2020

Health care workers should immediately be restricted to working for only one long-term care or retirement home to prevent the spread of COVID-19, the head of an association representing Ontario's registered nurses said Wednesday.

Families face 'difficult decisions' about sending elderly COVID-19 patients to hospital

CBC News – April 9, 2020

Some of Ontario's long-term care homes are now asking families to make a heart-wrenching decision about whether or not to send elderly relatives who contract COVID-19 to hospital.

'Frustrated' Doug Ford brings in troubleshooter to ramp up Ontario's COVID-19 response

The Toronto Star – April 8, 2020

A troubleshooter has been brought in to help Ontario's public health officials manage the COVID-19 pandemic with a "frustrated" Premier Doug Ford going public over concerns the province's testing regime is falling short, the Star has learned.

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Ontario Registrar General Permits Temporary Measures for Burial Permit Issuance

The Ontario Registrar General (ORG) has temporarily permitted the electronic transfer or faxing of death registration documents amid COVID-19 and allow municipalities to safely issue burial permits.

Below is a summary of the changes:

- Regulation 1094 of the *Vital Statistics Act* has been amended to allow a copy to be made of the medical certificate to be sent between coroners, funeral directors, and division registrars.
- A funeral home may send a copy of the statement of death and medical certificate of death and/or coroner's warrant to bury through a secure electronic method or fax. A municipality may also send an acknowledgment of death to a funeral home using the same methods.

- Original documents will need to be sent to the municipality weekly on a 'best effort basis' for processing.
- The electronic exchange of documents must be completed in accordance with the municipality's IT and encryption policies and follow requirements under MFIPPA.

ORG Memo: Issuing Burial Permits and Death Registration

ORG Memo: Technical Considerations

Ontario's local governments will continue to provide death registration services 7 days a week.

Over the past two weeks, AMCTO has worked with our partners at the City of Toronto, the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO), and an informal group of Clerks across the province to seek these reforms.

AMCTO is pleased to see this relief provided effective immediately as it allows our members to continue to provide critical services in the current state of emergency. This move will eliminate a potential source of transmission in our communities and ensure the safety of all parties and the broader community by minimizing risk and flattening the curve.

For updates on legislative and policy matters impacting the sector, please regularly check the Policy Blog.

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COVID-19 Update: New COVID-19 Related Items You Need to Know

Ontario Cannabis Stores can Temporarily Offer Curbside Pick-Up and Delivery

Given the long-term goal of establishing a legal cannabis market in Ontario and continued operation of illegal sales, the Government of Ontario has authorized cannabis stores to offer temporary curb-side pick-up and delivery of their products. The authorization is in place immediately and will continue, possibly with extension, until provincial closure orders are lifted.

Revisions to Ontario's essential services list on April 3rd removed cannabis retail stores as essential for the purposes of the emergency response to COVID-19. Cannabis stores and others not included in the revised list were ordered to close as of 11:59 p.m. on April 4th. Prior to closing many retailers observed long line ups and strong demand. Unlike other retailers, cannabis stores were prohibited from offering their products through phone or online access – meaning these retailers were left unable to operate at all.

Sales of cannabis through curbside pick-up and delivery can be offered from 9 a.m. – 11 p.m., Monday – Sunday, and products must be paid for prior to pick-up or delivery of the product. All conditions such as maximum amounts (30g) per purchase, minimum age, and prohibiting sales to intoxicated people remain in place. Transactions including home delivery can only be completed by the retail license holder or a direct employee certified under CannSell – third-party delivery is prohibited.

As is already the case with purchases through the Ontario Cannabis Store (OCS), AMO understands that stores offering delivery are able to do so in any municipality, including those that have opted out of allowing cannabis retail in their communities. During the Provincial Emergency Period the AGCO has announced it will pause new retail store authorizations; however, retail store operator and manager licenses will continue to be processed.

Further Suspension of Noise By-laws

In order to facilitate essential health care and residential construction, a regulation was passed (Ontario Regulation 131/20) which limits Section 451.1 of the *Municipal Act* by lifting *municipal noise by-laws* to permit certain construction work to continue outside of the normal workday/work week. The decision to work during hours

that normally would be prohibited under a noise by-law is at the discretion of the construction company. This exception applies to:

- Construction projects and services in a municipality associated with the healthcare sector, including new facilities, expansions, renovations and conversion of spaces that could be repurposed for health care space, at any time of the day or night.
- Any other construction activity in a municipality may operate between the hours of 6 a.m. and 10 p.m.

No amendments to municipal by-laws are required.

The provincial help line at 1-888-444-3659 is a resource for clarification on what municipal construction projects could be considered to be on the revised services list. That said, it may be prudent for municipal governments to consult with legal counsel for clarity on individual projects. Any of the workplaces that remain open must abide by the directives from the Chief Medical Officer or local public health units and comply with the *Occupational Health and Safety Act*.

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

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Connecting, engaging and informing Durham Tourism's valued stakeholders



#DurhamStrong

Businesses of Durham Region: for the latest resources, financial supports, and information from all levels of government, please visit investdurham.ca/covidresponse

Let's show how #DurhamStrong we really are

While we continue to navigate COVID-19 and the impacts it has on our everyday lives, it's important to keep our mental health a priority and spread a little positivity. You may have noticed essential workers and businesses posting photos of how they're practising physical distancing and doing their part to help flatten the curve. We're encouraging everyone to check out what businesses are doing and share positive messages with the community using #DurhamStrong.

Join the conversation by sharing a photo or message on our [#DurhamStrong Twitter post](#) and [#DurhamStrong Facebook post](#).

Help us share a little positivity and kindness during these difficult times.



Important Municipal Updates

Town of Ajax - [See information and updates on the Town of Ajax.](#)

The Town of Ajax is waiving tax payment penalties for 60 days effective immediately for all residents and businesses.

Township of Brock - [Information and updates for residents of Brock.](#)

The Township of Brock announces [measures to provide tax relief to residents and local businesses.](#)

Municipality of Clarington - [Information and updates for residents of Clarington.](#)

To help residents and business owners struggling to cope with the effects of the COVID-19 pandemic, Clarington Council has decided to [waive tax penalties and interest for 60 days](#), starting with the April installment.

City of Oshawa - [Information and updates for residents of Oshawa.](#)

[The City of Oshawa waives tax penalties for 60 days.](#) The two-month grace period, until June 30, is for the April 27, 2020 installment with no penalties or interest charged. Insufficient funds and pre-authorized payment related fees will be waived.

City of Pickering - [Information and updates for residents of Pickering.](#)

The City of Pickering is [waiving penalties and interest for 60 days](#) for all residents and businesses effective with the April property tax installment (April 28).

Township of Scugog - [Information and updates for residents of Scugog.](#)

Scugog [waives tax penalties, interest and postpones June tax installment](#) due date to support residents.

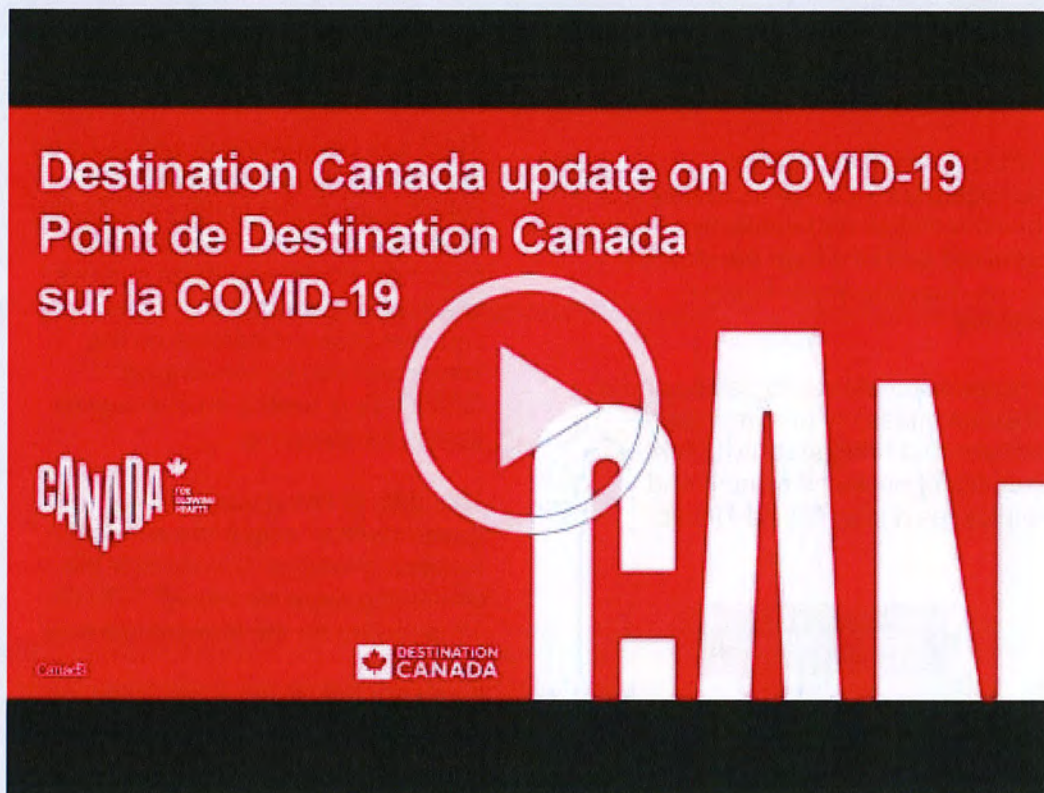
Township of Uxbridge - [Information and updates for residents of Uxbridge.](#)

The Township of Uxbridge is not accepting Region of Durham Water and Sewer payments at this time. The Region of Durham has suspended all water and sewer bill late payment charges. For more information please email waterbilling@durham.ca.

Town of Whitby - [Information and updates](#) for residents of Whitby.

The Town of Whitby announces [tax relief to residents and local businesses.](#)

More important government updates



Destination Canada Update

On April 1, Destination Canada hosted an industry webinar to provide over 1,400 participants with an update on COVID-19 and the tourism industry. Participants had the pleasure of hearing directly from the Honourable Mélanie Joly, Minister of Economic Development and Official Languages as well as Ben Cowan-Dewar, Chair of the Board, Destination Canada and Charlotte Bell, President & CEO, Tourism Industry Association of Canada.

As part of Destination Canada's ongoing efforts to support industry, they will continue to host regular webinars, inviting industry partners, businesses and government representatives to provide the most up-to-date information and resources.

Be sure to visit their [website](#) for up-to-date information and webinar opportunities available to our tourism industry.



Immediate Impact Management Strategy

TIAO's "Immediate Impact Management Strategy" is rooted in the quantitative and qualitative data collected by TIAO from businesses on the front-line in the tourism industry.

It includes measures to halt business closures, mass lay offs, mortgage defaults and bring stability to the finances of business owners and employees during the pandemic.

[Read the report](#)

Industry Surveys

TIAO has been working with industry stakeholders and government to collect data on the impact of COVID-19 on the front line. To date, they have now completed three surveys, which have provided a comprehensive database on the immediate and severe impact COVID-19 is having on businesses across the province.

This data is being used by government to shape the economic recovery package and monitor the continuing negative impact COVID-19 is having on the tourism industry.

If you are interested in receiving copies of the Durham Region specific data results, please reach out to Durham Tourism.

[Contact Durham Tourism](#)



Tourism Industry Association of Canada

Important messaging from TIAC!

"While we appreciate the various financial stimulus and support programs the Federal Government has put in place, we recognize there are gaps. These are unprecedented times; every day another unique tourism industry specific challenge comes to light. The Federal Government has promised more programs and solutions in the coming days and weeks.

In the meantime, we want to hear from you; specific impacts on your



Central Counties Tourism Update

Central Counties is working hard with our stakeholders to come up with new ways to market their products during the COVID-19 crisis. Whether it's a virtual tour, online course, or a new innovative way to deliver experiences, they want to work with you to make it happen.

In response to COVID-19 and social distancing, our stakeholders are staying top-of-mind by sharing creative and educational content.

business and experiences in accessing programs such as short-term loans through BDC, EDC and other financial institutions.

We would appreciate you taking part in a quick survey that will help us better understand your situation and together, build the road to recovery."

[Complete the survey](#)

This is a fantastic and economical way to let the people know you care about them, showcase your expertise and generate consumer loyalty.

They are here to assist you in the following ways:

- Brainstorm with the CCT marketing team
- Logistical assistance
- Storyboarding
- Assessing equipment needs
- Promotional planning – social media calendar creation

To discuss this opportunity further, please contact your regional field manager: [Eleanor Cook](#)



Durham Region Cycling Plan Update

The Region of Durham is updating our Regional Cycling Plan to reflect new trends, build upon existing facilities and identify new programs for cyclists of all ages and abilities. We want your input to help shape the plan!

The purpose of this plan is to help us learn more about you and your thoughts on how Durham Region can improve conditions to encourage more cycling.

Please complete the following survey and let us know what you think!

Survey



Changes to Canada Summer Jobs program to help businesses and young Canadians affected by COVID-19

The Government of Canada is taking unprecedented action to support workers, businesses, and all Canadians impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic. To build the foundations of strong communities, we need a strong workforce that includes good job opportunities for youth. That is why the government is working to help employers adapt to the realities of COVID-19, and supporting young Canadians as they begin to look for summer employment.

Prime Minister, Justin Trudeau, announced temporary changes to the Canada Summer Jobs program that will help employers hire summer staff and provide young Canadians access to the jobs they need during this unprecedented time. This program will help create up to 70,000 jobs for youth between 15 and 30 years of age.

The temporary changes to the program for this year include:

- an increase to the wage subsidy, so that private and public sector employers can also receive up to 100 per cent of the provincial or territorial minimum hourly wage for each employee
- an extension to the end date for employment to February 28, 2021
- allowing employers to adapt their projects and job activities to support essential services
- allowing employers to hire staff on a part-time basis

[Read more](#)



Attractions Ontario Gift Certificate & Memberships Promotion

Considering the current closures because of COVID-19, Attractions Ontario would like to help their members in any way they can.

With most attractions having to close, they aim to encourage the public to support these local businesses by purchasing online gift certificates.

Attractions Ontario will highlight this on a dedicated page on their website, and on social media, encouraging the public to support local attractions and a vital industry to the province, while also giving themselves something to look forward to once life returns to normal.

Attractions Ontario would like you to send them your information about any online gift certificates your attraction offers, including a direct link to your e-commerce solution where consumers may purchase them.

In addition, Attractions Ontario have also launched a page for virtual tours and online collections, as well as one for educational activities. If you would also like to share any of your online programs, please feel free to reach out.

[Contact Attractions Ontario](#)



Examine your practices

- What are you doing that you don't need to do, what can you do differently?
- What are the "smaller" experiences you could offer?
- How can you present a fresh new look & outlook?
- What tools & technologies could help get the message out - Work with your municipality, DMO's and RTO's who can take the lead & get people together. They have photo libraries and could make technology more cost effective
- Offer interactive on-line opportunities even if your audience is low.

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COVID-19: A Strategic Approach for Tourism webinar

On April 3, Central Counties Tourism (RTO6) and Katherine Hobbs from Brockville Tourism (RTO9) hosted a live webinar on how to navigate your business during this difficult time.

Topics covered included:

- Strategies
- Resilience
- Opportunities
- Diversifying
- Tourism Development & Recovery Funding

If you were unable to join or want to share the webinar with your wider team, please click on the link below.

Webinar



Local sport organizations and facilities provide children, youth and adults of all abilities with opportunities to participate in individual and team sports and programs, so they can experience the many health and social benefits of recreational sport. These organizations also support longer term athlete development and provide pathways for individuals to compete at the provincial, national and international levels. Through their day-to-day

operations and sport event hosting activities, they contribute to the positive economic and social benefits of sport tourism in Durham Region.

The COVID-19 pandemic has resulted in the temporary closure of sport facilities and fields, sport event cancellations and the need for social distancing, all of which impact local sport organizations and sport participation in Durham Region.

To help us and the local area municipalities to better understand the specific impacts on the local sport community and how we can help, Sport Durham, in collaboration with municipal partners, will be sending out a survey to local sport organizations and private facilities on April 9. For more information, please reach out to Sport Durham.

Contact Sport Durham

Connect with us!



Connect and engage with Durham Tourism and Sport Durham on our social media pages:



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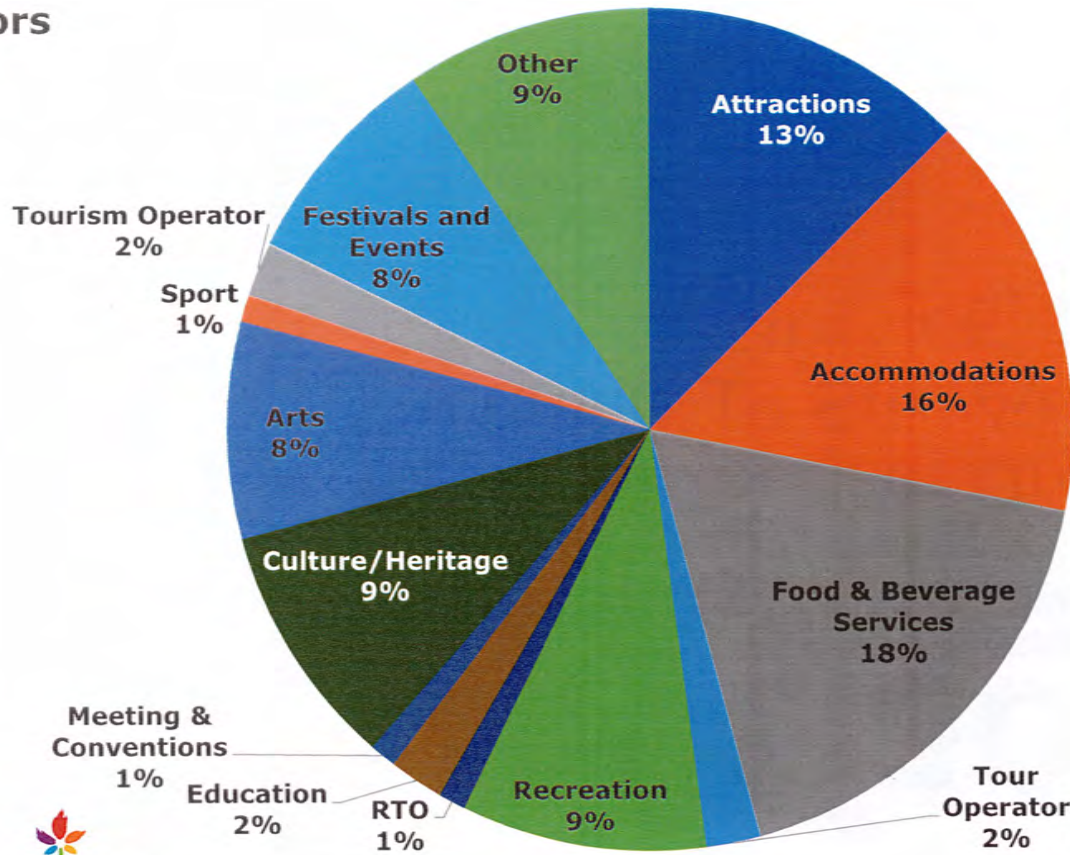


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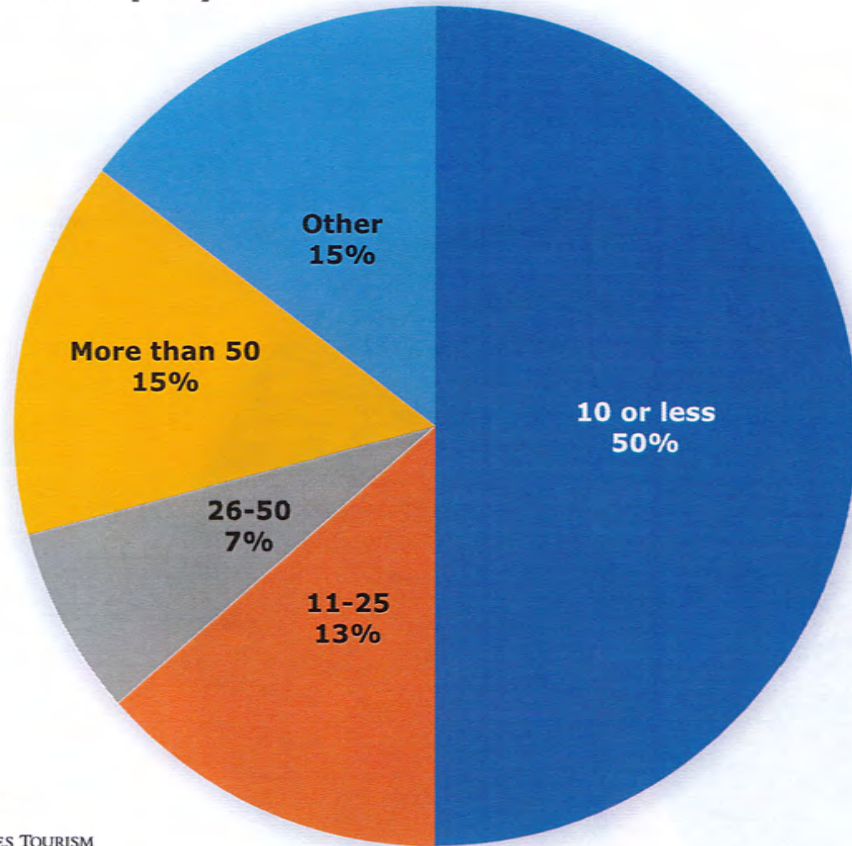
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Attractions	12	12.50%
Accommodations	15	15.63%
Food & Beverage Services	17	17.71%
Transportation	0	0.00%
Tour Operator	2	2.08%
Recreation	9	9.38%
RTO	1	1.04%
Sector Association	0	0.00%
Education	2	2.08%
Meeting & Conventions	1	1.04%
Culture/Heritage	9	9.38%
Arts	8	8.33%
Sport	1	1.04%
Tourism Operator	2	2.08%
Film	0	0.00%
Festivals and Events	8	8.33%
Other	9	9.38%

How many employees does your business have?

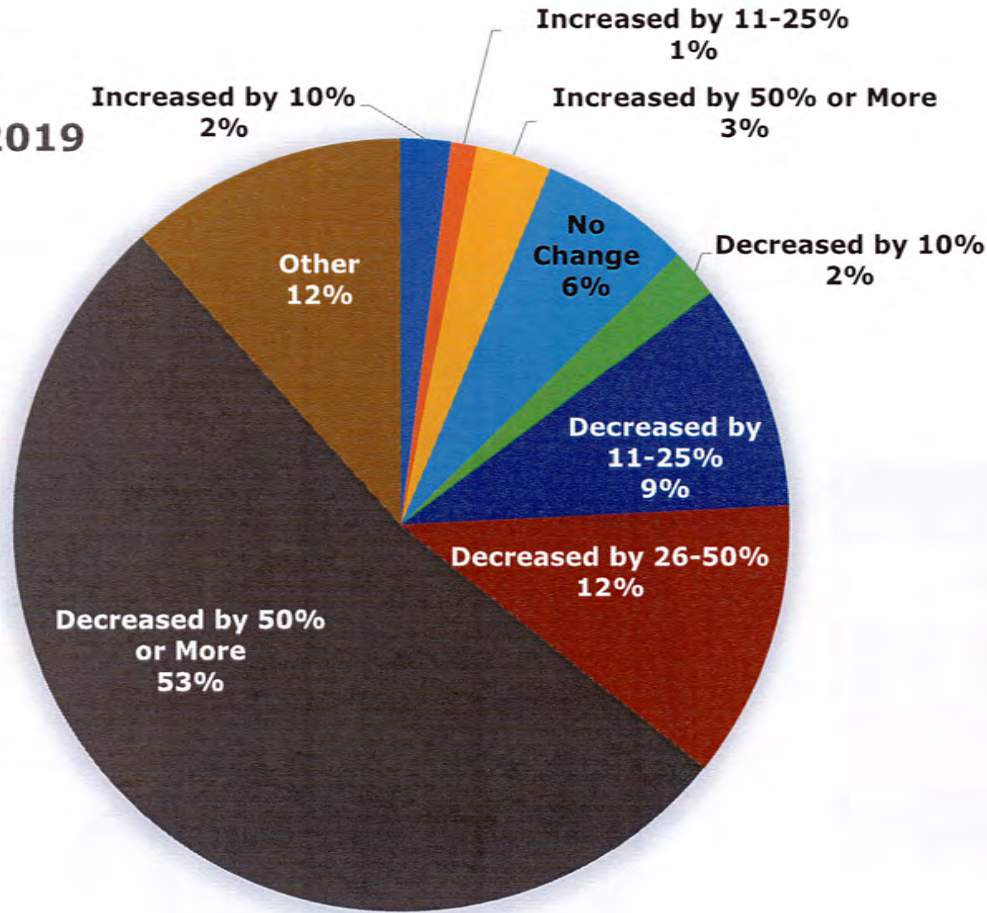
Number of Employees



Number of Employees	Value	%
10 or less	48	50.00%
11-26	13	13.54%
26-50	7	7.29%
More than 50	14	14.58%
Other	14	14.58%

How do your sales/revenue in March 2020 compare to your sales/revenue in March 2019?

**Sales/Revenue
March 2020 vs 2019**

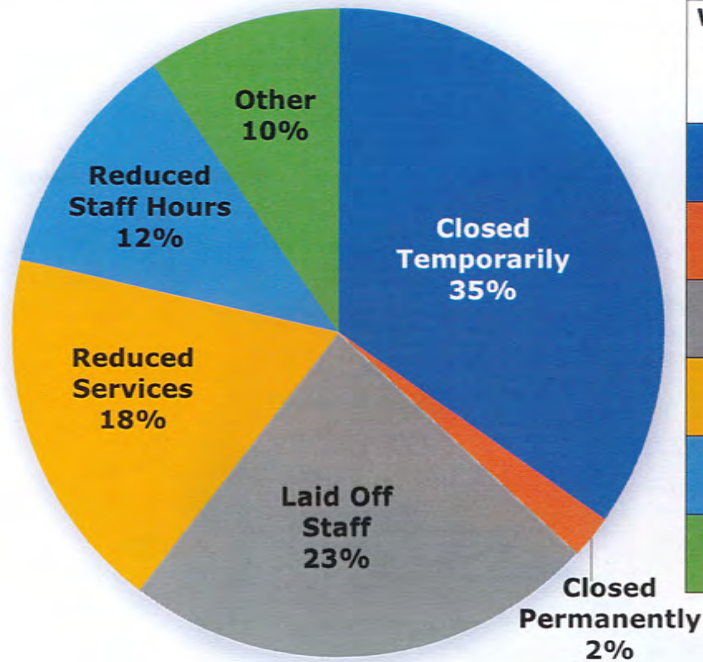


Sales Increase/Decrease	Value	%
Increased by 10%	2	2.11%
Increased by 11-25%	1	1.05%
Increased by 26-50%	0	0.00%
Increased by 50% or more	3	3.16%
No change	6	6.32%
Decreased by 1-10%	2	2.11%
Decreased by 11-25%	9	9.47%
Decreased by 26-50%	11	11.58%
Decreased by 50% or more	50	52.63%
Other	11	11.58%



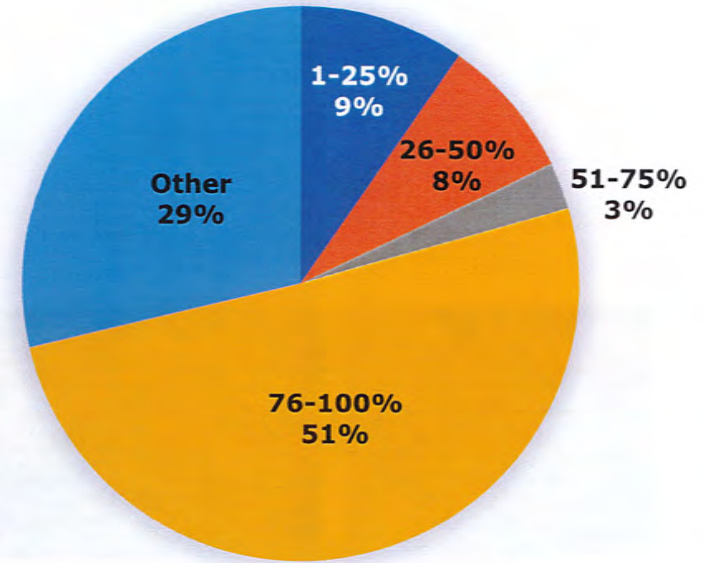
What action(s) have you currently taken as a result of COVID-19?

Actions as a Result of COVID-19



What Actions have you taken as a result of COVID-19 Select all that Apply	Value	%
Closed temporarily	65	34.76%
Closed permanently	4	2.14%
Laid off staff	44	23.53%
Reduced services	34	18.18%
Reduced staff hours	22	11.76%
Other	18	9.63%

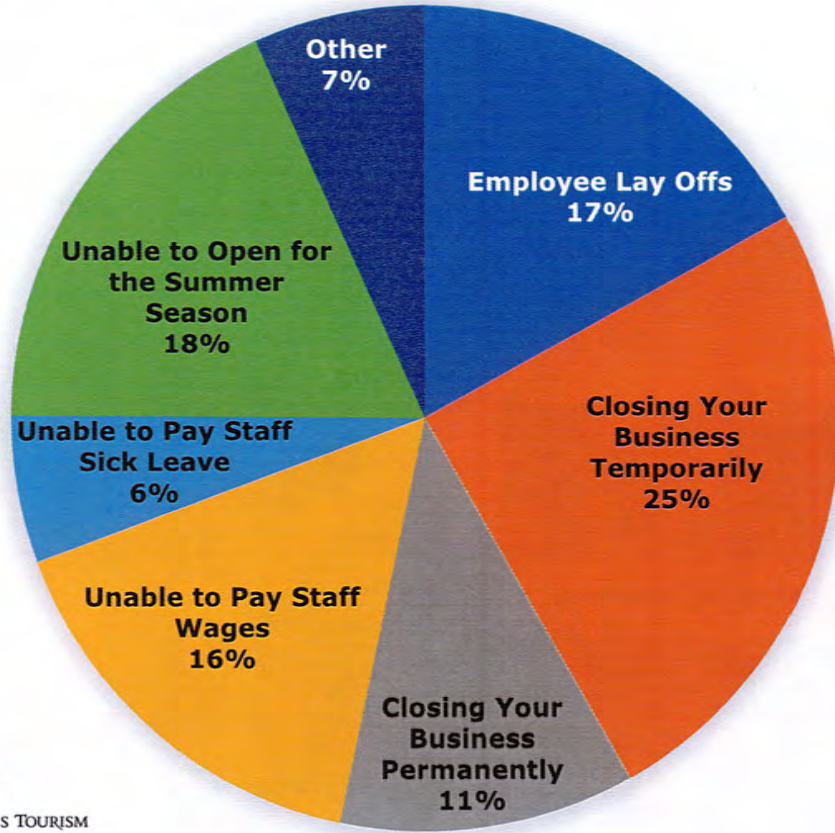
% of Employees Laid off



If you answered 'Yes,' % of Employees Laid off	Value	%
1-25%	7	9.59%
26-50%	6	8.22%
51-75%	2	2.74%
76-100%	37	50.68%
Other	21	28.77%

Looking ahead at the next 3 months, please indicate the risks your business is facing.

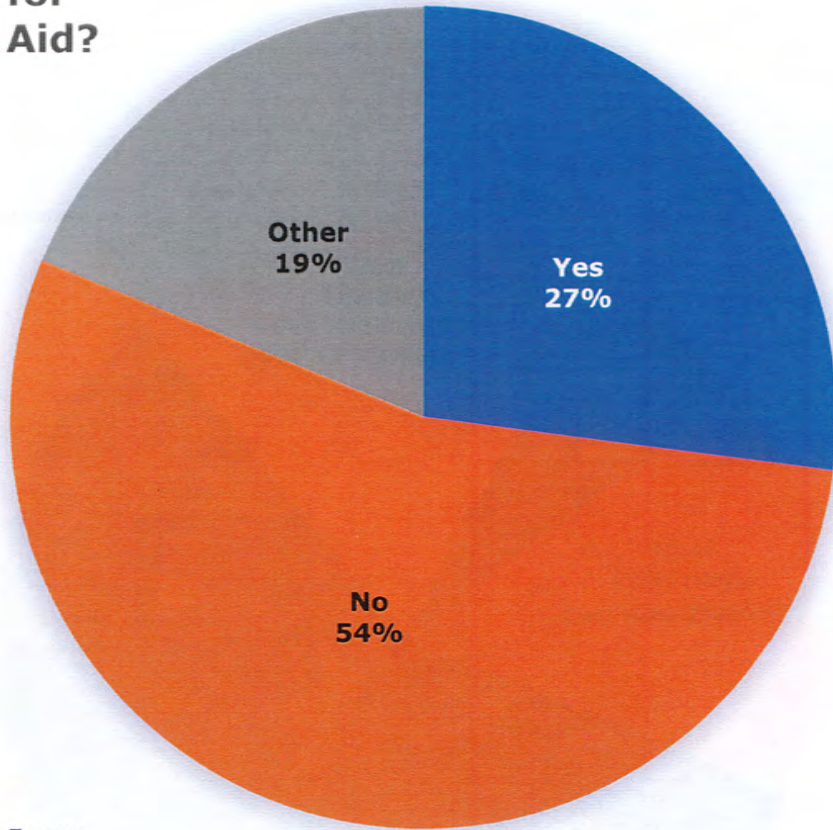
Risks in the next 3 months



Risks in Next 3 months Select all that Apply	Value	%
Employee Lay Offs	38	16.89%
Closing Your Business Temporarily	56	24.89%
Closing Your Business Permanently	26	11.56%
Unable to Pay Staff Wages	36	16.00%
Unable to Pay Staff Sick Leave	13	5.78%
Unable to Open for the Summer Season	41	18.22%
Other	15	6.67%

Have you applied for any COVID-19 related aid funding from any level of Government?

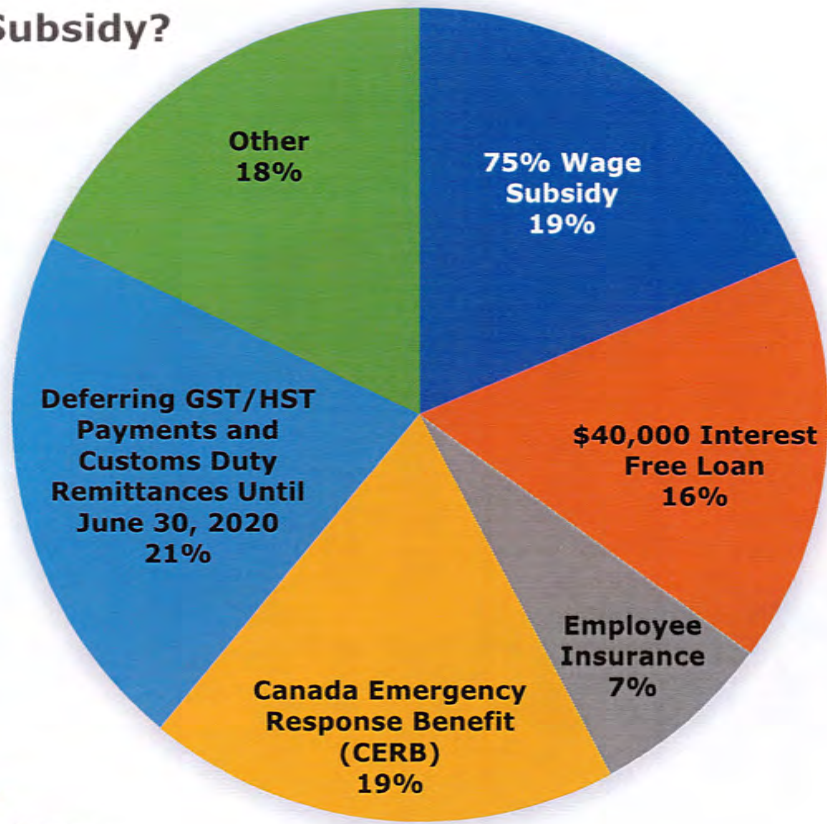
Applied for Financial Aid?



Have you applied for any COVID-19 related aid funding?	Value	%
Yes	26	27.08%
No	52	54.17%
Other	18	18.75%

If you answered yes to the above question, please indicate which types of COVID-19 related aid you have applied for, and which you intend to apply for when available.

Which Subsidy?

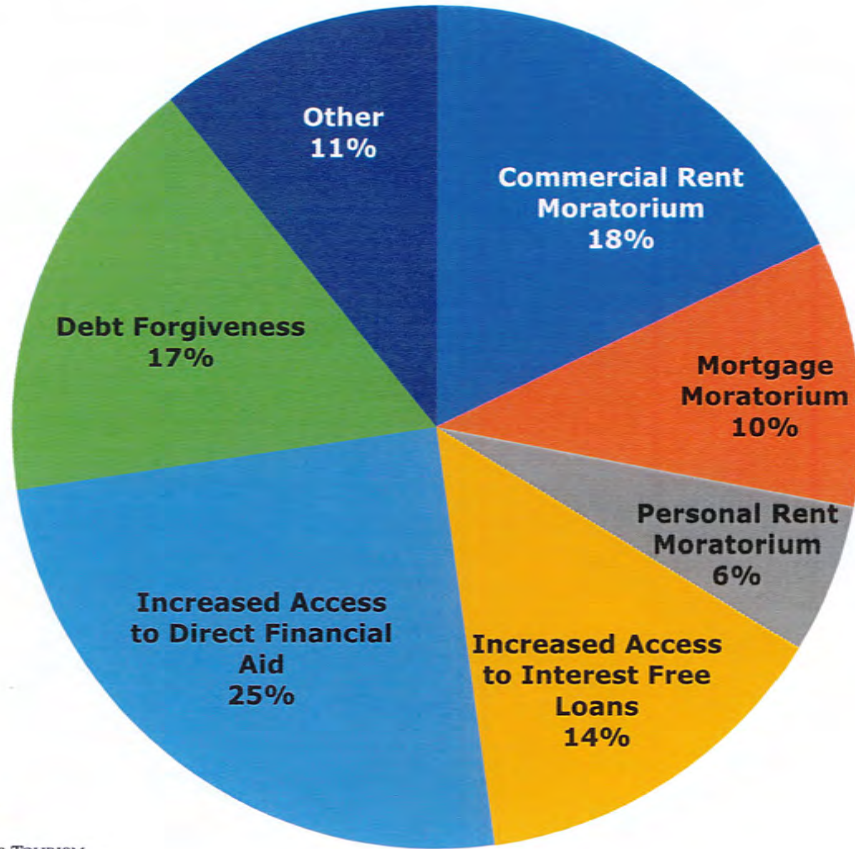


Which Subsidy? Select all that Apply	Value	%
75% Wage Subsidy	23	18.70%
\$40,000 Interest Free Loan	20	16.26%
Employee Insurance	9	7.32%
Canada Emergency Response Benefit (CERB)	23	18.70%
Deferring GST/HST Payments and Customs Duty Remittances Until June 30, 2020	26	21.14%
Other	22	17.89%



What other forms of financial aid do you require during COVID-19?

Other Financial Aid



Other Financial Aid?	Value	%
Commercial Rent Moratorium	28	17.83%
Mortgage Moratorium	16	10.19%
Personal Rent Moratorium	9	5.73%
Increased Access to Interest Free Loans	22	14.01%
Increased Access to Direct Financial Aid	39	24.84%
Debt Forgiveness	26	16.56%
Other	17	10.83%

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AMO COVID-19 Update: Bill 189, *Coronavirus Support and Protection Act*, 2020 Receives Royal Assent

Today, the Province extended the Declaration of Emergency under the *Emergency Management and Civil Protection Act* for a further 28 days, to May 12, 2020. This extension was made to help stop the spread of COVID-19 and protect the health and safety of Ontarians.

The extension of the provincial declaration of emergency allows Ontario to continue to enforce current emergency orders. A full list of emergency orders can be found on the [e-Laws website](#) under the *Emergency Management and Civil Protection Act*.

Bill 189 Receives Royal Assent

Today Bill 189 was introduced and passed by the Ontario Legislature. Of municipal significance, the Act amends the *Planning Act*, the *Development Charges Act*, and the *Police Services Act*. This new legislation was intended to demonstrate that the government is actively listening to the concerns of education and municipal stakeholders during this COVID-19 emergency.

At the time of writing this update, the legislation has not been posted but the Province has [released a backgrounder](#) with a summary of these changes. While AMO staff will provide further Bill 189 analysis if required, here are the municipal implications that we understand Bill 189 will have:

Planning

We understand that Bill 189 temporarily suspends specified timelines for applications for development and land use planning matters. This relief may be applied retroactively to the date that an emergency was declared. This legislation allows those municipalities who want to proceed with planning applications to do so while allowing those that are not in a position to proceed to redirect efforts to dealing with the COVID emergency without fearing appeals for missing deadlines. The timelines would return to normal once the emergency ends.

We appreciate the efforts of Minister Clark to bring about these extensions to development approvals timelines. AMO will continue to press for similar suspension to all statutory timelines that municipal governments are currently required to follow. As well, AMO is requesting that when timelines are restarted there should be a reasonable recovery period to properly manage any backlog.

Development Charges

The changes to the Act governing development charges ensures that municipal governments can continue to use their existing development charge bylaws. Preserving these existing bylaws allows municipalities to continue collecting development charges without having to replace expiring bylaws. AMO understands municipalities will have six months from the end of the declared emergency to develop new development charge bylaws.

In addition, education related development charges may still be collected.

Police Services Act

Municipalities had previously been mandated to complete Community Safety and Wellbeing Plans by January 1, 2021. This due date will no longer apply. The Solicitor General will establish a new deadline, by regulation, at a future date.

The above changes will allow municipal governments and their staff to continue to focus on responding to the public health emergency in the months ahead.

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

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Please forward this email to your relevant networks.

We apologize if you have received this message more than once.

COVID-19 has caused unprecedented changes to the non-profit sector, challenging our already limited resources as we try to map what this pandemic means to our sector, our organizations, and our clients. As part of its central role as Durham's Social Planning organization, CDCD is committed to supporting Durham's non-profit sector in understanding and advocating for immediate and long-term supports needed to navigate the pandemic. To really understand how the pandemic is impacting non-profits in our region, we have developed a survey to allow us to collect critical data on organizational well-being and immediate/future concerns.

But we need your feedback!

We invite your participation in a webinar to provide feedback on our COVID-19 survey, ensuring that our questions are in line with what the sector is currently experiencing. We also need your help to reach as many of Durham's non-profit organizations as possible. The more responses we have, the more we can push to ensure that our sector has the supports it needs to sustain itself and to serve Durham's most vulnerable residents.

Webinar- Tuesday April 21st, 2020 at 10am

[COVID-19-Understanding it's Impact on Durham's Non-Profit Organizations](#)

[Register Here](#)

Please register by Monday April 20th

Who can fill out your survey?

Ideally, the survey is intended for:

- Executive Directors of any non-profit or charitable organization that operates in Durham and serves Durham-based clients. This includes religious facilities, sports organizations, and academic institutions.
- Senior management staff (or other staff who have financial/organizational knowledge)
- President or Chairperson of Non-profit Board of Directors

What will you do with the survey results?

Survey findings will be drafted in a public report and used to inform advocacy strategies in supporting the sector. We will also host a follow-up webinar to talk about the results and to discuss how those results could be used.

Didn't I just fill out a survey...?

Yes, it's possible that you did- the Ontario Nonprofit Network (ONN) also distributed a flash survey about the non-profit COVID-19 response and they recently published some [survey results](#). We have been in contact with them about our project and they're interested in our results as well.

Even if you've filled out the ONN survey, we would still encourage you to consider our survey because our survey focuses on Durham Region specifically, and our advocacy efforts will be more immediate and local.

Woah! That sounds really important but I don't know if I have the time for an hour-long webinar!

If you cannot participate in the webinar but would still like to review the survey questions and provide feedback, we're happy to send you a "preview and comment" link. Please note that we are on very strict timelines and we will do our best to incorporate your feedback before the survey goes live. If you cannot provide feedback at this time, but would like to help us get the word out, please let us know! We'll contact you once the survey is live with some copy-and-paste messaging for your networks.

We could not do this without help.

We would like to thank a few organizations who were instrumental in developing this project. ***The Durham Child and Youth Planning Network (DCYPN), Durham Community Foundation, and United Way Durham Region*** have all given us an ear to listen to our purpose, and eye to view our survey, and fingers atop keyboards and mouses to spread the word. Thank you all for your gracious time and efforts.

And Thank You all for continuing to provide Durham Region communities with the support and services they need. We only hope our work can support your ongoing efforts.

Nathan Gardner

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AMO Policy Update



April 15, 2020

AMO COVID-19 Update: Action Plan for Long-Term Care Homes Released and Planning Update

Today, the Province released a Long-Term Care Action Plan and subsequent [regulations](#) under the *Emergency Management and Civil Protection Act* (EMCPA), in an attempt to help stop the spread of COVID-19 and protect the health and safety of Ontarians residing in long-term care homes. In particular, the [announced changes](#) to long-term care homes under the new emergency orders are intended to reduce the unintentional spread of COVID-19 which officials believe may be caused by the movement of staff among different care environments.

Ontario's COVID-19 Action Plan for Long-Term Care

Today, the Province released the [COVID-19 Action Plan: Long-Term Care](#). The Plan adds critical new measures to prevent further outbreaks and deaths from COVID-19 in long-term care homes, including:

- Aggressive testing, screening, and surveillance for staff and residents (both symptomatic and asymptomatic).
- Managing outbreaks and spread of the disease including providing public health and infection control expertise and additional training and support to current staff.
- Growing the long-term care workforce which includes redeploying staff from hospitals and home and community care.

Regarding redeployment, yesterday the Province passed [Ontario Regulation 146/20](#), under [subsection 7.0.2 \(4\)](#) of the EMCPA. It means that as of midnight, Wednesday, April 22, an employee who performs work at a long-term care home cannot work at another health service provider or a retirement home. Workers must inform each of their employers that they subject to this order by 5pm on Friday, April 17th. Note that this order is notwithstanding any collective agreements the employee is under.

Long-term care providers must ensure that any employee of their home is not performing work elsewhere, and that the order be posted. [Regulation 147/20](#) under subsection 7.0.2 (4) of the Act titled, Work Deployment Measures in Long-Term Care Homes, enables this redeployment to happen.

Update on Bill 189 – New *Planning Act* Timelines

Yesterday [Bill 189](#) added a new section to the *Planning Act*, Sec. 70.11, which allows for temporarily suspending specified timelines for development applications during COVID 19 while the *Emergency Management and Civil Protection Act* is in effect. This relief applies retroactively to the date that the emergency was declared and took effect as of the date of Royal Assent, yesterday.

[O.Reg. 149/20](#) implements this new section of the *Planning Act*. This impacts all types of notices, appeals and interim control by laws. The details of the regulation are complex. An explanatory note from MMAH is expected to be posted on the [ERO](#) in the next few days.

This legislation allows those municipalities who want to proceed with planning applications to do so while allowing those that are not in a position to proceed to redirect efforts to dealing with the COVID emergency without fearing appeals for missing deadlines. The timelines would return to normal once the emergency ends.

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AMO COVID-19 Resources

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

Our next COVID-19 Communicators Virtual Meeting takes place at 10.30am on April 21. An expert panel takes your questions and discusses perspectives from municipal governments, large and small. To join the mailing list and receive weekly invites, send an email to covid19@amo.on.ca.

Over the last few weeks, AMO has been hosting webinars to support members in communications during COVID-19 and guidance for council meetings with electronic attendance. These are now [available here](#).

AMO Matters

AMO is finalising a discussion paper on the establishment of new OPP Detachment Boards. Members are invited to [register to have a sneak peek](#) at the paper through a webinar presentation on April 24, starting at 11:00 am with Matthew Wilson, AMO Senior Advisor.

If Main Street Revitalization Initiative funded projects are complete, please submit the [final report](#) by May 15, 2020. Due to COVID-19 challenges, AMO may be able to provide extensions for final reporting if requested. Contact [Adam Garcia](#) with questions.

Provincial Matters

Just in case you missed it on March 19, the [amendment to the *Municipal Act*](#) which allows council members participating electronically to count toward quorum comes with some [guidance](#).

Eye on Events

eSCRIBE, AMO's partner of cloud-based meeting management solutions for public sector boards and councils, has unveiled eSCRIBE Lite. [Register for a webinar](#) on April 29 at noon and learn how this solution can help municipalities with under 20,000 people cross the digital divide.

In person or online, AMO 2020 will connect municipal leaders to the information they need most. Planning is well underway for August 16-19 in Ottawa, but we are also planning for a contingency approach that would transform AMO 2020 into a virtual conference if need be. Contact [Poonam Ruparelia](#) with questions. Visit the [AMO website](#) for updates, details and registration information.

Recognizing how quickly things are changing in the environment of COVID-19, and in appreciation of our valued exhibitors, AMO is extending the exhibitor cancellation deadline. Exhibitor information can be [found here](#).

Over the past few weeks, AMO and Redbrick Communications have been supporting members on communications through COVID 19. Additional resources are now available for a nominal fee through AMO's Municipal Education Portal. [Register now](#).

LAS

When is the best time to review your employee group benefits plan? Read our [latest blog](#) to learn more.

Webinar April 22 @ 10am - group buying saves time and money, though there are a number of rules that need to be followed. Grab a coffee and join us to learn all about the procurement for our popular [Municipal Group Buying Program](#). [Register here](#).

The [Municipal Group Buying Program](#) is still available to meet your needs and keep your municipalities running smoothly during this pandemic. Check out our [new COVID-19 Update Page](#) for messages from [L.A. and some of our key suppliers](#).

Municipal Wire*

Cyber criminals are taking advantage of both human and system weaknesses during the COVID-19 crisis. Municipal councils and staff need to be vigilant when protecting their IT systems by enhancing cybersecurity measures. Here are a [few tips](#) to help.

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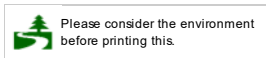
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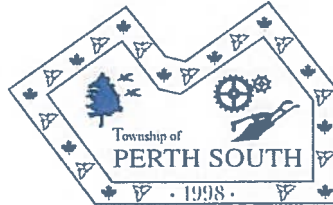
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Honourable Premier Ford;

Re: Provincially Significant Wetlands Designation

At the regular meeting of Perth South Council held on March 17, 2020 correspondence was received from the Municipality of West Nipissing, the Village of Merrickville-Wolford and Norfolk County (attached hereto) regarding the above noted issue. As a rural municipality, we share the same concerns raised and thoroughly support the resolutions passed and information provided by these municipalities.

Thank you for your consideration of this matter and please contact our office if you require any further information.

Regards,

Lizet Scott
 Clerk

Attachments



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March 3, 2020

SENT VIA E-MAIL

Honourable Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario
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Honourable Premier Ford:

SUBJECT: PROVINCIALY SIGNIFICANT WETLANDS DESIGNATION

At its regular meeting held on February 25, 2020, Council for the Municipality of West Nipissing passed resolution **2020/080**, attached hereto. The resolution supports a request circulated by the Village of Merrickville-Wolford, asking the Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry to respectfully review its practices and procedures to include a requirement to provide supporting evidence, to impacted municipalities, when designating Provincially Significant Wetlands within their boundaries.

We trust the enclosed is self-explanatory.

Respectfully,

Deputy Clerk / Assistant to the
Chief Administrative Officer

\Encl.

cc: Minister of Natural Resources and Forestry
Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing
Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO)
Rural Ontario Municipal Association (ROMA)
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**The Corporation of the Municipality of West Nipissing /
La Corporation de la Municipalité de Nipissing Ouest**

Resolution No.

2020 / 0 8 0

FEBRUARY 25, 2020

Moved by / *Proposé par* :

Seconded by / *Appuyé par* :

WHEREAS the Municipality of West Nipissing received resolution no. R-029-20 from the Village of Merrickville-Wolford, attached hereto; pertaining to the Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry's practices and procedures when designating of Provincially Significant Wetlands;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council for the Municipality of West Nipissing supports the Village of Merrickville-Wolford requesting that the Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry to respectfully provide supporting evidence with respect to the expansion of wetlands designations within their boundaries;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT Council for the Municipality of West Nipissing calls upon the Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry to respectfully review its practices and procedures to include a requirement to provide supporting evidence, to impacted municipalities, when designating Provincially Significant Wetlands within their boundaries;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Premier of Ontario, the Minister of Natural Resources and Forestry, the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO), the Rural Ontario Municipal Association (ROMA) and all Ontario municipalities.

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VILLAGE OF MERRICKVILLE-WOLFORD

February 5, 2020

The Honourable Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario
Premier's Office, Room 281
Legislative Building, Queen's Park
Toronto, ON, M7A 1A1

Dear Premier Ford:

Re: Provincially Significant Wetlands Designation

Please find attached the Council of the Corporation of the Village of Merrickville-Wolford's Resolution No. R-029-20, with respect to the Village's concerns surrounding the Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry's practices and procedures while implementing designations of Provincially Significant Wetlands.

While the attached resolution is tailored to a Village-specific issue, it is Council's position that the concerns expressed therein are being experienced by municipalities Province-wide.

Thank you in advance for the consideration that you give this matter.

Yours truly,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Doug Robertson".

Doug Robertson
CAO/Clerk/Director, Economic Development

c. Honourable John Yakabuski, Minister of Natural Resources and Forestry
Honourable Steve Clark, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing
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Halpenny	Y	N
Molloy	Y	N
Struthers	Y	N

Resolution Number: R - 029 - 20

Date: January 27, 2020

Moved by: Cameron Foster Halpenny Molloy

Seconded by: Cameron Foster Halpenny Molloy

WHEREAS the Village of Merrickville-Wolford is endeavouring to adopt a new Official Plan as required per Section 17 of the *Planning Act* and the Village is required to incorporate the Provincial Policy Statements of the Act;

AND WHEREAS the Provincial Policy Statements require the Village to provide in its Official Plan the updated provisions of new and expanded Provincially Significant Wetlands designations;

AND WHEREAS the Council of the Corporation of the Village of Merrickville-Wolford is concerned that the expansion of these wetlands is detrimentally affecting certain landowners and the Village's assessment base;

AND WHEREAS the Council of the Corporation of the Village of Merrickville-Wolford is concerned that designations of Provincially Significant Wetlands have occurred throughout the Province of Ontario without the provision of supporting evidence;

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AND WHEREAS the Council of the Corporation of the Village of Merrickville-Wolford is concerned about the expansion of the Provincially Significant Wetlands in the Northeast quadrant of the Village;

AND WHEREAS the Council of the Corporation of the Village of Merrickville-Wolford is concerned that these wetlands designations have been expanded without the Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry having provided to the Village supporting evidence to justify said expansion;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Village of Merrickville-Wolford does hereby respectfully request that the Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry provide the Village with supporting evidence with respect to the expansion of these wetlands designations;

AND THAT the Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry re-evaluate the subject properties without delay;

AND THAT a copy of this resolution be sent to the Honourable Premier Doug Ford, Minister of Natural Resources and Forestry, the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, the United Counties of Leeds and Grenville, the Association of Municipalities of Ontario and the Rural Ontario Municipal Association and all Ontario municipalities.

Carried / Defeated


J. Douglas Struthers, Mayor



Norfolk County Office of the Mayor

March 1, 2020

Ontario Municipalities

Dear Heads of Council and Councillors:

Re: Issues regarding the mapping of Provincially Significant Wetlands (PSWs)

Norfolk County Council is working to address significant issues that have come to our attention regarding the mapping of Provincially Significant Wetlands (PSWs).

Following the Ministry's updated mapping related to PSWs, the County updated its Official Plan to bring its policies in line with the new mapping. Following that, the County planning staff introduced a Zoning By-Law amendment to update the zoning to reflect the new mapping and to provide consistency between the Zoning By-Law and the Official Plan. Though the mapping is wholly outside the County's process and control, the zoning by-law amendment was not approved by Council, flowing from significant public concern about the updated mapping affecting people's properties. In some cases, some of these changes were very significant.

The County submitted comments to the province as part of the review of the Provincial Policy statement requesting that the process for PSW mapping be significantly improved to allow for transparency and better land owner engagement, including, for example, a right of appeal or formal dispute resolution process. This will allow for land owners to be properly informed and engaged where land use designations that affect their property may result. The current process appears to be severely underfunded and without any meaningful way for affected residents to engage.

The County is seeking support from other rural municipalities who may be affected by this to address this issue with the province.

Thank you for your consideration of this matter.

Yours Truly,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Kristal Chopp".

Mayor Kristal Chopp
Norfolk County

cc. The Honourable Steve Clark,
Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing

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At the regular meeting of April 14, 2020, the Council of the Township of North Stormont passed the following resolution:

“ Res. # 143-2020- Be it resolved that Council supports the resolution from the Municipality of West Nipissing in requiring that MNRF provide supporting evidence prior to designating new Provincially Significant Wetlands.”

Mary McCuaig, A.M.C.T

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April 16, 2020

Dear Head of Council:

As you know, on March 17, 2020, our government declared a provincial emergency pursuant to the authority granted under the *Emergency Management and Civil Protection Act* (EMCPA). I am writing to update you that on April 16, 2020, our government issued an emergency order under the EMCPA (O. Reg. 157/20) to provide municipalities with the flexibility to deploy certain of their staff to where they are needed most. At this critical time, it is important that municipalities continue to work collaboratively and engage in good faith with their bargaining agents. The order is effective immediately and we intend for it to remain in effect for the duration of the declared provincial emergency.

I know that these are challenging times for municipalities, particularly as the situation around us changes so quickly. In these unprecedented times, I have heard a strong and consistent message from municipalities and numerous sector organizations that the authority to enable work deployment similar to what has been provided by the Province for hospitals and public health units is urgently needed to ensure continuity of critical services.

I thank you for sharing these concerns. We have heard you and have worked quickly to issue this order. This order is a temporary measure and provides your municipality – as an employer – the authority to take any reasonable measure necessary to respond to COVID-19 with respect to internal work deployment.

In order to exercise this authority, if it hasn't already, the municipality will need to also declare an emergency under section 4 of the EMCPA concurrent with this order. The authority provided for in this order includes the ability for municipalities to redeploy certain of their staff within the same employer or to employ volunteers to perform bargaining unit work, cancel leaves and change assignment of work, for those priority services listed in the order.

The orders specify conditions under which the authority can be exercised. This includes requiring a municipality to provide at least 24 hours of advance notice to affected bargaining units before implementing a redeployment plan. The *Occupational Health and Safety Act* and existing rights under the *Employment Standards Act* will continue to apply. Municipalities, as employers, are required to comply with all provincial orders, as

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well as any guidance and safety standards prescribed by the province for COVID-19. They are also responsible for ensuring that any staff being reassigned to new duties have the required training and skills. Full details of the orders can be reviewed online at [Ontario.ca/alert](https://www.ontario.ca/alert).

I want to acknowledge and applaud the proactive efforts that many municipalities have already taken to engage in good faith with their bargaining agents to keep their staff employed and safe, and to establish local arrangements to redeploy employees to high-need areas. I would also encourage municipalities to continue leveraging their existing authorities as employers and building on pre-existing relationships and structures with your bargaining agent partners, such as joint health and safety committees, to address staffing needs and allocate resources.

Moreover, as you and others in your organization consider whether and how you will exercise the authority under the emergency order, I would ask that you maintain the following important objectives:

- In making staffing decisions, first provide opportunity for full-time work to existing part-time staff before seeking out and employing extra full-time staff from outside your organization.
- In redeploying staff, should there be a difference in the terms and conditions of work, in the different departments of the organization, the expectation is that staff will not receive a lower wage than their home position.

Municipalities are encouraged to review this and other applicable orders (available on the Government's Emergency Information webpage at: [Ontario.ca/alert](https://www.ontario.ca/alert)) and work with their legal counsel for advice and understanding of the flexibility it provides to you in managing your organizations.

If your municipality chooses to implement the authority in these orders, I would ask that you keep my staff apprised by letting your local Municipal Services Office know when you use it. If your municipality has any further questions regarding this order, we encourage contacting [your local Municipal Services Office](#).

I thank you for your continued support and collaboration in these challenging times. This collaborative relationship is critical at all times, and never more so than during this emergency.

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Sincerely,



Steve Clark
Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing

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AMO Policy Update



April 17, 2020

AMO COVID Update – Staff Reassignment Flexibility Provided

The Ontario government has **announced** support to municipalities through an order O. Reg. [157/20](#) under the *Emergency Management and Civil Protection Act* (EMCPA) to provide municipal government with the flexibility for redeployment and other measures where there is local need during the outbreak including child care, social assistance, and by-law enforcement. A similar order (O. Reg. [154/20](#)) has been issued for District Social Service Administration Boards (DSSABs).

This order is temporary during the time of the declared provincial emergency and

should be considered as an additional tool to assist municipal employers specifically in responding to the COVID-19 emergency. Municipalities or DSSABs will need to determine where there is a local need for staffing to deliver particular services. All other provincial orders, provincial legislation such as the *Occupational Health and Safety Act* and existing rights under the *Employment Standards Act*, as well as any guidance and safety standards prescribed by the Ontario government for COVID-19 are to be followed.

Employers are responsible for ensuring that any staff reassigned to the new duties have the required training and skills. The orders specify conditions under which the authority can be exercised. This includes requiring a municipality to provide at least 24 hours of advance notice to affected bargaining units before implementing a redeployment plan.

To exercise this authority, if it hasn't already, a municipality will need to declare an emergency under Section 4 of the EMCPA concurrent with this order. The authority provided for in this order includes the ability for municipalities to redeploy certain of their staff within the same employer or to employ volunteers to perform bargaining unit work, cancel leaves and change assignment of work, for those priority services listed in the order.

While it provides new, temporary authority, it is not a substitute for constructive and respectful discussions with bargaining agents and potentially affected staff. As is also noted clearly in the order, this authority is for "reasonably necessary" measures which means use of the authority must be proportionate to the situation at hand.

Ultimately, the way in which this temporary authority is used will influence an employer's future relationship with employees and bargaining agents.

This order O. Reg. 157/20 does not apply to paramedic services. Rather, the Province has provided municipal and DSSAB paramedics services the ability to hire and assign college students who have not yet completed exams or graduated, to provide services where needed that are appropriate to their competence level and scope of practice. It also does not apply to water and wastewater services, public health, or municipal long-term care services which are covered in other orders under the Act. It does not apply to fire services.

The Honourable Steve Clark, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, has sent a letter to all Heads of Council regarding this order and can be [viewed](#) here.

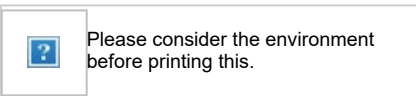
Electricity Disconnection Ban Expanded

On March 19, 2020, the Ontario Energy Board (OEB) extended the ban on electricity disconnections for non-payment for residential customers to July 31, 2020. Now low-volume and small business customers (those who pay time-of-use or tiered electricity prices) will also be protected by the ban during this period. OEB made this change to ensure the risk of loss of electricity service, on account of arrears, would not be an added source of uncertainty at this time.

A number of local electricity distributors have taken additional steps to support their customers by waiving certain charges and making special payment arrangements during this difficult time. Contact or visit your electricity distributor's website for more information about programs it may have put in place. Visit oeb.ca for the latest updates from the Ontario Energy Board on measures it is taking in response to the COVID-19 pandemic.

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

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April 17, 2020

RE: Suspend Time of Use Electricity Billing

This letter is to advise that at its meeting of April 14, 2020, the Council of the Township of North Dumfries received a copy of the Town of Grimsby resolution (as attached) specific to suspending the time of use for electricity billing. Please be advised that the Council of the Township of North Dumfries hereby supports the resolution as presented.

Sincerely,

Ashley Sage
Clerk

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SENT VIA EMAIL

RE: Suspend Time-of-Use Electricity Billing

Please be advised that at the Special Council Meeting of March 18th, 2020, The Council of the Town of Grimsby passed the following resolution:

Moved by Councillor Sharpe; Seconded by Councillor Dunstall;

Resolve that during the circumstances of the COVID-19 outbreak, that the Council of the Town of Grimsby supports the Premier's recommendation to suspend time-of-use electricity billing; and,

That the Council of the Town of Grimsby request that the Ontario Energy Board suspend time-of-use electricity billing to support lower electricity bills for residents who may be isolating at home during the day, and to support businesses who continue to operate, via lower power rates during the day-time peak period; and,

That this time-of-use billing suspension take effect immediately until such time that the COVID-19 outbreak has been contained; and,

That this resolution be forwarded to:

- *Premier Doug Ford*
- *MPP Sam Oosterhoff*
- *Ontario Energy Board OEB*
- *Ontario Municipalities*
- *Grimsby Energy Inc.*

If you have any questions with regard to the foregoing, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours truly,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Sarah Kim', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Sarah Kim
Town Clerk



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RE: Tourism Orientated Destination Signage Fee Increases

This letter is to advise that at its meeting of April 14, 2020, the Council of the Township of North Dumfries received a copy of the County of Haliburton resolution (as attached) specific to the Tourism Orientated Destination Signage Fee Increases.

Please be advised that Council of the Township of North Dumfries hereby supports the resolution as presented.

Sincerely,

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February 3, 2020

All Ontario Municipalities

Dear Sir/Madame:

Re: Tourism Oriented Destination Signage Fee Increases

Haliburton County and our local municipalities recently became aware of a significant increase in fees being charged to businesses by Canadian Tourism Oriented Destination Signage Limited. In a time when every effort is being made to remove barriers to prosperity, this change will take money directly from the “bottom line” of small and medium sized businesses and not-for-profits across the Province.

At their most recent meeting, Haliburton County Council passed the following resolution:

Whereas the Ministry of Heritage, Sport, Tourism, and Culture and the Ministry of Transportation supervise the delivery and maintenance of tourism oriented destination signage through a third party – Canadian TODS Limited;
And Whereas our tourism stakeholders and other enterprises rely heavily on this signage to direct customers to their businesses;
And Whereas Canadian TODS Limited recently advised their customers that fees will be doubling, beginning in 2020;
And Whereas this will result in significant financial hardship for those business owners:
Now therefore, be it resolved that the Haliburton County Tourism Committee and Haliburton County Council request that the Minister of Tourism, Culture and Sport and the Minister of Transportation reconsider or phase in this fee increase, allowing an appropriate amount of time for businesses to adjust;
And finally that those municipalities that support the resolution be requested to advise the Ministers noted above and their local MPP of their support.

All of the municipalities in the County of Haliburton recognize the value of this signage and the need for cost increases to meet inflation; however, we are asking that this fee increase be reconsidered and phased in to ease the burden on our stakeholders.

Thank you for your consideration of our request.

Yours truly,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Liz Danielsen'.

Liz Danielsen
Warden