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August 28, 2020

Mayor Debbie Bath-Hadden
Township of Brock

Mayor Bath-Hadden:

On June 16, 2020, our government consulted on Proposed Amendment 1 to **A Place to Grow: Growth Plan for the Greater Golden Horseshoe (A Place to Grow)**. As part of the COVID-19 economic recovery efforts, the proposed changes included updates to the population and employment forecasts and related policy changes; a change to the Plan

horizon year; a change to address Major Transit Station Areas within Provincially Significant Employment Zones (PSEZ); and other policy revisions that support our government's objectives to increase housing supply, create more jobs, attract business investments and better align infrastructure. Our government also consulted on a new Land Needs Assessment methodology concurrently. Both consultation periods closed on July 31, 2020.

As a result of our recent consultation, our government has amended **A Place to Grow** and released a new market-based Land Needs Assessment methodology. The Environmental Registry of Ontario decision notices can be found at:

- Amendment 1 to **A Place to Grow: Growth Plan for the Greater Golden Horseshoe**: [019-1680](#)
- Land Needs Assessment Methodology for **A Place to Grow: Growth Plan for the Greater Golden Horseshoe**: [019-1679](#)

An office consolidation version of Amendment 1 to **A Place to Grow** can be found [here](#) and the new market-based approach to Land Needs Assessment Methodology can be found [here](#).

These changes will help municipalities anticipate and plan for growth, as well as support economic recovery from the COVID-19 outbreak. The amendments work together to provide more flexibility to your municipality as you do your long-term planning to address demographic, employment, market demand, and housing affordability trends in the Greater Golden Horseshoe. As well, following feedback received from Indigenous partners, environmental and agricultural stakeholders, we are no longer moving forward on new mineral aggregate operation policies.

These changes will come into effect today, August 28, 2020. The date by which upper and single-tier municipalities must update their official plans to conform with the policies in **A Place to Grow** will remain July 1, 2022. For lower-tier municipalities, the deadline for conformity with this Plan will continue to be one year after the relevant upper-tier conformity amendment takes effect.

Should you or your staff have any questions about **A Place to Grow** or any of these changes, please feel free to contact the Ontario Growth Secretariat at growthplanning@ontario.ca.

Thank you for your ongoing commitment to strengthening the quality of life and the economic growth of your community and the province of Ontario.

Sincerely,

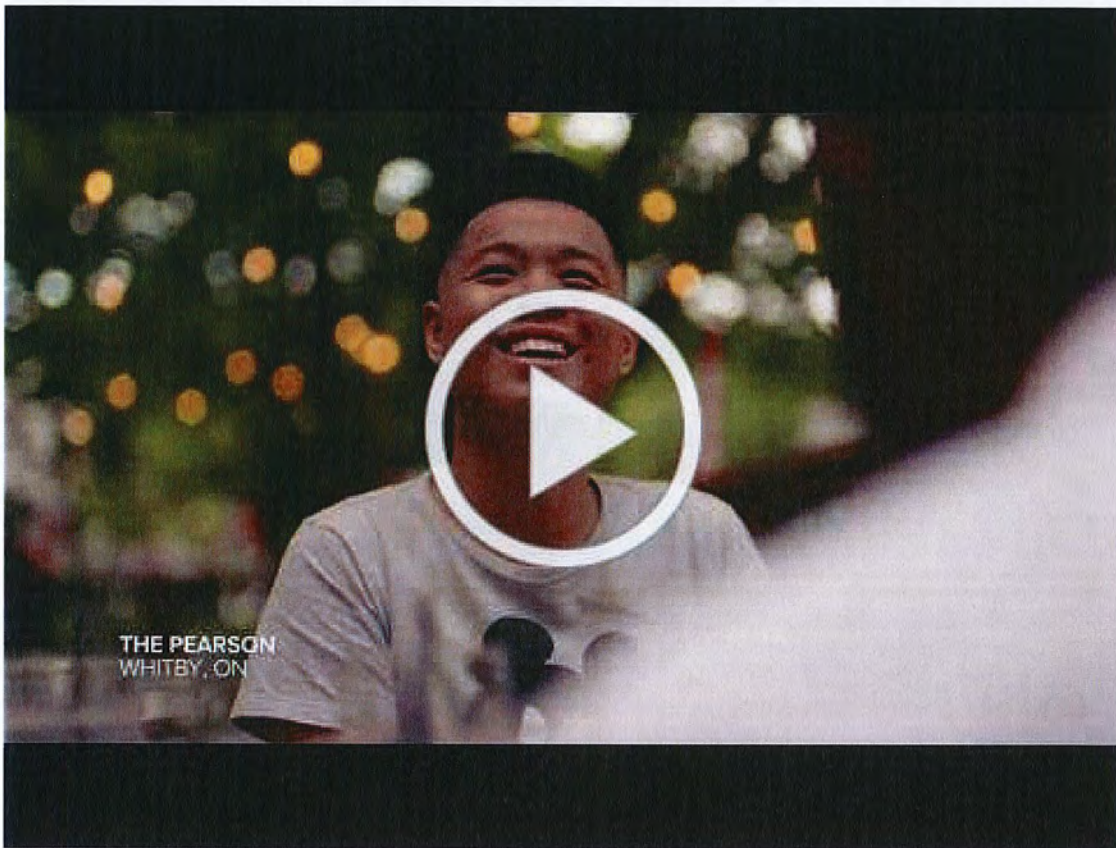


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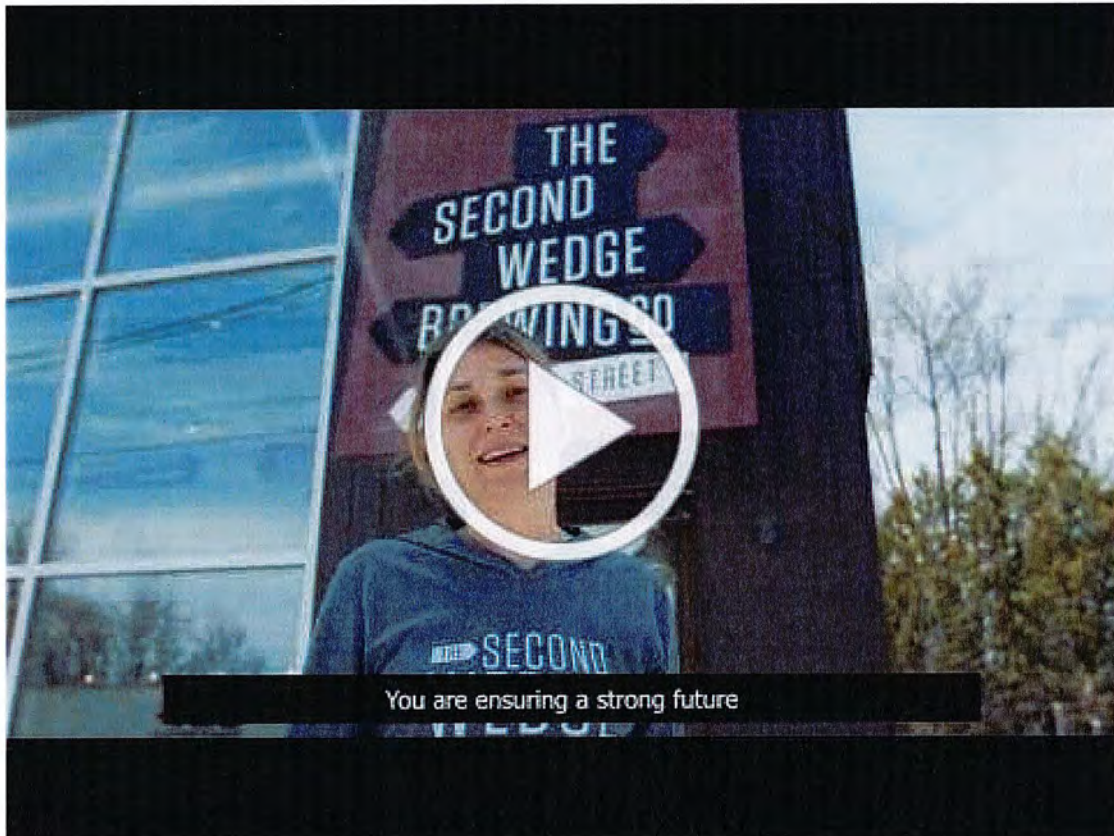
We hope you safely enjoy your experiences in Durham Region, but remind you to follow Health Department guidance: stay home if you are sick, physically distance from others, wear a mask indoors, wash your hands, and respect the health and safety rules of any venue or facility you visit.

September 2020

You Are Not Alone featuring Ken Shaw

Durham Region is home. Over the last few months, we have all been challenged in many ways to do our part to help support and protect each other. We have captured some of what makes our region a great place to work, live and play [in this video](#). Thank you to the incredibly talented Ken Shaw for sharing the beautiful message that you are not alone.

Disclaimer: this video was filmed during different phases of COVID-19, we ensured that all public health guidelines were followed during each phase in order to safely protect all participants.



Support local food and beverage in Durham Region

Throughout COVID-19, local businesses have adapted to serve their community and customers; many local restaurants and craft beverage producers adapted and pivoted, donated meals and treats and created new products and offerings. Durham Tourism has created a mini series to showcase some of the many local businesses that are making a difference in our community. Watch the first video in the series on [YouTube](#).

Thank you to everyone who has supported and continues to support local businesses in Durham Region. We appreciate your participation in takeout, delivery, curbside pick up and patio dining options during these challenging times.

Watch more videos in the series on the Durham Tourism YouTube page.



DRIFF in a Jiff Returns

The Durham Region International Film Festival's monthly spotlight on short films — DRIFF in a Jiff — returns to driff.ca on **September 4**. "One Small Step" is a film about a nine-year-old girl who attempts to juggle the responsibilities of school and her younger siblings as her mother goes missing. Stream the film from 7 to 10 p.m. and then join one of two Q&A sessions with the filmmaker at 8 or 9:30 p.m.

Learn more about DRIFF in a Jiff on driff.ca.



DRIFF - Save the dates and share the news!

After much deliberation, the Durham Region International Film Festival (DRIFF) has decided to make some big changes to the 2020 festival. This year, they're offering a unique, one-night, drive-in experience paired with two days of online streaming and filmmaker Q&A sessions.

Festival dates remain the same with events running **October 1 to 3**. The online portion of the festival will offer a select number of films with streaming, pre-recorded and live events.

The themes and structure of this year's festival have been unveiled; the full program lineup will be announced in the coming days.

October 1

DRIFF DAY 1: True North!

All that is truly Canadian. Stories that get to the heart of who we are as a country and explore Canadian identity.

October 2

DRIFF DAY 2: International Screenings and Global Discussion

DRIFF Day 2 is the International Showcase featuring work from Italy, Jamaica, Austria and Egypt.

October 3

DRIFF DAY 3: Homegrown - Virtual Screenings and Closing Night Drive-In

Virtual Screenings

1. Homegrown: A program featuring Ontario and Durham Region talent and stories that speak to the theme of community re-imagined.
2. Student film showcase made up of six amazing shorts, 65 minutes in length.

Closing Night Drive-in Screening and Awards

Homegrown: A program of selected films featuring Ontario and Durham Region talent and stories that speak to the theme of community re-imagined.

Join in person for a drive-in experience. Take in a selection of narrative shorts and a documentary short, followed by the presentation of DRIFF 2020 Awards for Best Student, Best Feature, Best Short and Best Regional Film.

Learn more about DRIFF screenings at driff.ca.



Discover local food and beverage in Uxbridge

As the Trail Capital of Canada, Uxbridge is not only known for its incredible trails, but also its lively après trail scene. There are plenty of gathering spots to enjoy locally crafted beer and cider, and culinary stops to enjoy farm-fresh foods grown and produced in this area. Watch local Country music artist Leah Daniels and her fiancée Tim Deegan tour some of the local food and beverage hot spots in Uxbridge in [this video](#).

Visit discoveruxbridge.ca.

Explore local cider houses and breweries on the [Beer and Cider Trail](#), find out where to pick up farm-fresh foods along the [Farm Trail](#), and

try locally prepared foods along the [Culinary Trail](#).

**BIKE
MONTH
2020**
September

Discover the joy of biking.



Celebrate Bike Month in Durham Region

The Region of Durham invites you to celebrate Bike Month by taking part in a series of free, fun and educational cycling activities throughout the region. From **September 1 to 30**, residents are encouraged to explore Durham's unique landscapes and scenic trails while practising safe cycling.

Local activities include:

- Cycling Photo Scavenger Hunt: Durham Region challenges you to get on your bike and learn more about your community! Get outside and get active while visiting the natural areas, historic places and cultural sites that make Durham Region unique.
- Safe Cycling 101 webinar: Cycle Toronto will guide you through everything you need to know about biking with confidence in Durham Region.
- Family Cycling webinar: Learn tips and tricks for biking while pregnant; biking with babies and toddlers; and teaching kids to ride for the first time in this free online webinar hosted by Cycle Toronto.
- Panel discussion: Join panelists from communities across Ontario for a candid conversation about what it means to build a culture of cycling.
- Ride4UnitedWay: On **September 27**, United Way of Durham Region is hosting the 12th annual Ride4UnitedWay. People can participate in the ride for free, but donations are encouraged. The funds raised will go towards the United Way's COVID-19 relief initiatives. Visit the [Ride4UnitedWay website](#) to learn more about the routes, registration and COVID-19 precautions.

Bike Month is an opportunity to learn new skills and celebrate cycling safely while adhering to public health guidelines and keeping our communities safe. As one of the largest celebrations of biking in Canada, Bike Month has hundreds of events with participants from across the entire Greater Toronto and Hamilton Area (GTHA).

Take the Bike Month pledge to let us know how you plan to celebrate Bike Month! Your pledge automatically enters you into a prize draw.

For more information or to register for activities visit durham.ca/BikeMonth.



Fun FORE the whole family!

Forsythe Family Farms 2009 Inc. is family owned and operated by Jim and Leslie Forsythe. They have been growing a variety of fruits and vegetables for direct market sales since 1972 and are currently located in Greenbank.

Their latest endeavor Greens on the Farm, a 9 Hole Scavenger Hunt, is an outdoor experience allowing small groups to explore the farm in a safe and fun way. Styled like a golf game, nine holes with specific challenges and a scoring system that is PAR for the course. Book your time online and come enjoy an experience that is fun FORE all!

Greens on the Farm is in partnership with Central Counties Tourism, Angus Glen Golf Club and Slabtown Cider Co.

CULTURE DAYS

Find your creative place during Culture Days

Culture Days is a nation-wide celebration of culture and arts that bring together thousands of organizers to host free and participatory public activities, along with millions of Canadians to engage with them. The goal is to build connections and highlight the importance of arts and culture in our communities. This year, due to COVID-19 the celebration has been extended to four weeks, and will include virtual experiences for the first time.

In Durham Region, Scugog Council for the Arts is hosting the Scugog Arts Hub on **September 26 and 27**. Discover an array of art demonstrations, a farmers' market, kids crafts, and more in the laneways surrounding the new Scugog Arts!

The [Oshawa Public Libraries](#) is hosting free livestream workshops:

- **September 25** - [DIY Pressed Flower Ornament](#)
- **September 28** - [Paper Lab: Culture Days Edition](#)
- **September 30** - [Online Paint Afternoon](#)

Learn more about Ontario Culture Days.



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

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From: noreply@townshipofbrock.ca <noreply@townshipofbrock.ca> on behalf of Gordon Hughes

Sent: Tuesday, September 1, 2020 10:55:01 AM
To: Michael Jubb <mjubb@townshipofbrock.ca>
Subject: project in Beaverton

I was recently advised that a committee was struck to consider supporting a housing project for unsheltered people with addictions and/or mental health concerns to be build at 133 Main Street, Beaverton on lands adjacent to Lakeview Manor and Gillespie Gardens.

I, as a new homeowner within the last 5 years, am totally against this resolution. I do not believe this project should be built in this small community and should be sent to a larger community such as Lindsay or Cannington.

I moved to Beaverton to retire and enjoy the small town atmosphere and get away from the big city and all of its problems, which are exploding as we speak.

Beaverton is just too small and these unsheltered people value their freedom which may come into conflict with this varied community. This build is across from the Beaverton fairgrounds [baseball, soccer, etc], ice arena, and curling arena, which must be considered.

Cannington, as we have been told, and I have contributed to, is getting a large ultra modern clinic/hospital which would be better able to care for or advise these unsheltered people.

If the decision would consider Lindsay, with Ross Memorial and other facilities for unsheltered people, I would support this construction but to put this in Beaverton would be a huge mistake.

The decision to build in Beaverton may hamper future elections, as the people I have spoken to are very upset and have started a petition that is against this construction. I do realize that there are four councilors for this resolution and three against. Please consider another venue as this resolution may bring the community of Beaverton in conflict with your council of Brock.

Origin: <https://www.townshipofbrock.ca/en/municipal-office/mayor-and-council.aspx>

This email was sent to you by Gordon Hughes <[redacted]> through <https://www.townshipofbrock.ca>.

Lesley Donnelly

From: FCM Communiqué <communiqué@fcm.ca>
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REMINDER: Register NOW to vote in FCM's virtual election

Dear members,

The Federation of Canadian Municipalities' [virtual Board election and annual general meeting](#) are fast approaching. This is an important reminder to **make your voice heard** in this democratic process. Your participation matters.

REGISTER NOW

You must [register](#) by September 11 if you want to participate in FCM's virtual elections on September 28-30 and October 5-7 and our AGM on October 15. Anyone who sits on an FCM member municipality council is eligible. Registration is free and takes less than 5 minutes to complete.

FCM members participate each year in a democratic process to elect representatives to our Board of Directors, which normally happens during our annual conference. Because of COVID, we're holding this year a **virtual event** instead.

BECOME A CANDIDATE

Director candidates must submit [consent forms](#) and a [resolution](#) by **September 24**.

Table Officer candidates have until **September 14** to [submit their documentation](#).

These are the key dates in our election process:

- Voter registration: Open until September 11
- Table Officer candidate speech webinars: September 17 (with a Q&A) and 28
- Table Officer election: September 28-30
- Director candidate speech webinar: October 5
- Director election: October 5-7
- AGM: October 15

Please read your FCM emails and watch fcm.ca for more information. If you have any questions, connect with us at elections@fcm.ca.

Thank you,

The FCM Election Team



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We are pleased to reintroduce CDCD's Community Lens Report. See our latest volume on Durham Seniors below, or visit our [Community Lens Page](#) to view the report online.

Community Lens Volume 4

COMMUNITY LENS REPORT

Volume 4, 2020

Using 2016 Census data, this Community Lens report explores the demographic profile of seniors in Durham. Throughout Durham Region, the senior population has steadily increased over time. Currently there are about 179,325 older adults, aged 55 and over in Durham Region, representing 27.8% of the population.

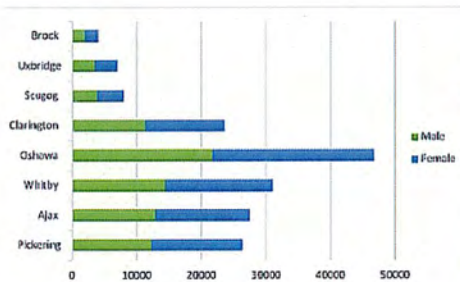


INTRODUCTION

The recent global pandemic, known as COVID-19 (Coronavirus Infectious Disease) has highlighted the vulnerabilities of this population. While some of those vulnerabilities are associated with age and health, other indicators can include access to services, challenges with mobility, poverty and food insecurity, and social isolation.

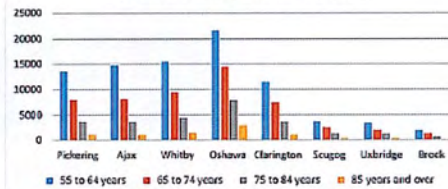
SENIORS DEMOGRAPHICS

AGE	TOTAL #
55 to 64 years	86,070
65 to 74 years	53,315
75 to 84 years	26,575
84+	8,365



Source: Statistics Canada, 2016 Census of Population, Statistics Canada Catalogue no. E02767-CPP-01 (CDCSDDA-0N). Accessed through the Community Data Program.

Age Breakdown of Durham's Seniors



Source: Statistics Canada, 2016 Census of Population, Statistics Canada Catalogue no. E02767-CPP-01 (CDCSDDA-0N). Accessed through the Community Data Program.

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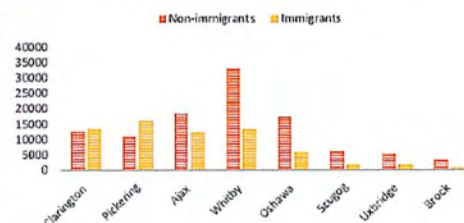


IMMIGRANT SENIORS

Nearly 2 out of every 5 seniors in Durham are immigrants.

5,890 immigrant seniors in Durham live below the poverty line (below the Low Income Measure-After Tax).

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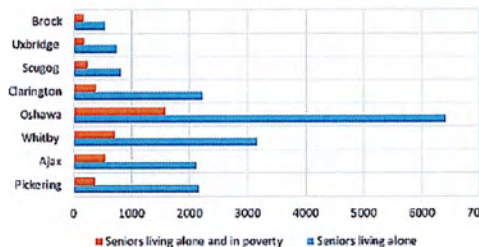


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Resources for Seniors in Durham



Seniors Living Alone



Source: Statistics Canada, 2016 Census of Population, Statistics Canada E03066-Table 1 (CDCSDA). Accessed through Community Data Program.

SENIORS LIVING ALONE

In Durham, 18,180 seniors (65+) live alone, representing almost 15% of all seniors.

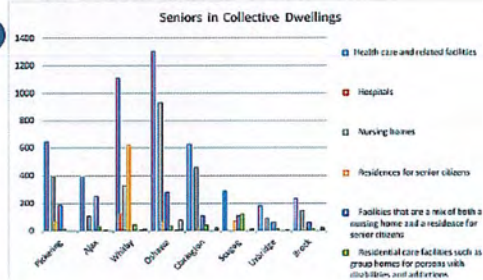


1 in 5 seniors who live alone also live in poverty, more than double the poverty rate for all seniors

SENIORS IN COLLECTIVE DWELLING

Nearly 5,000 seniors live in collective dwellings in Durham, most of which are nursing homes and/or senior residences.

Majority of those seniors (4,790) live in health care facilities. This trend continues throughout the municipalities.



Source: Statistics Canada, 2016 Census of Population, Statistics Canada Catalogue no. E03285-Table 1 (CD-CSD). Accessed through the Community Data Program.

DURHAM SENIOR RESOURCES



DURHAM ELDER ABUSE NETWORK (DEAN)

- Comprehensive network of providers in Durham advocating on seniors safety and elder abuse since the early 90's.
- Provide Region-wide programs such as the Seniors Safety Calendar and Emergency Meal Assistance Program

AGE-FRIENDLY DURHAM

- A Strategy and Action Plan to help develop an inclusive community for seniors and older adults throughout Durham Region.
- [Age-Friendly Durham Map Viewer](#) helps residents find age-friendly businesses, facilities and organizations through an interactive map.
- City of Oshawa has been granted an [Age-Friendly City](#) designation by the World Health Organization (WHO).

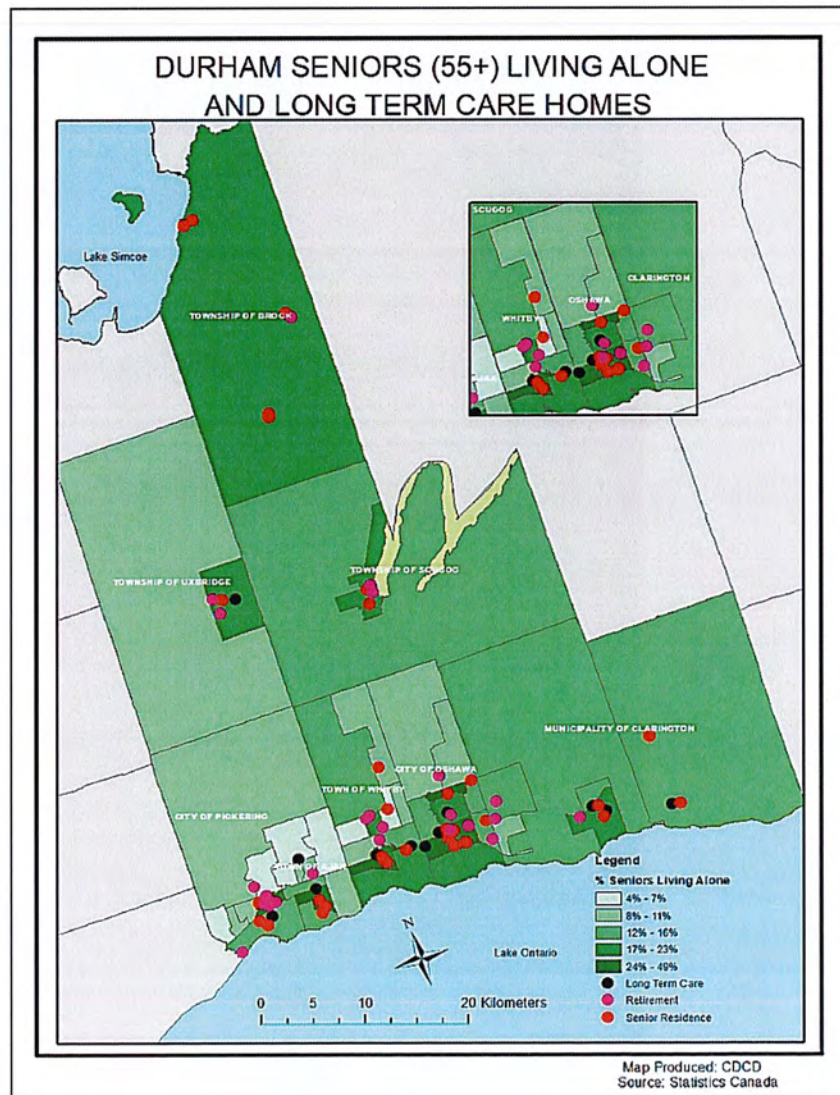


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Seniors Vulnerability Map

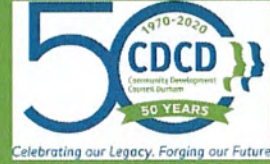


The map shows the distribution of seniors (55+) in Durham that live alone by Durham's Health Neighbourhoods. The map also shows the location of Long Term Homes, Senior residences and Retirement homes.



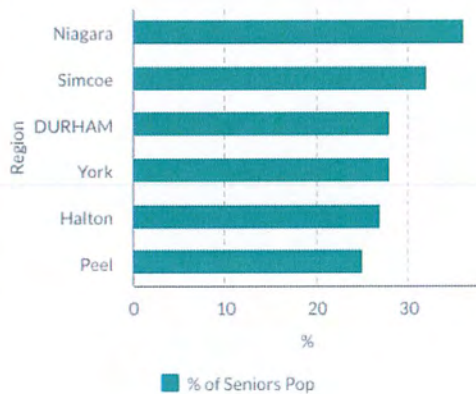
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Regional Comparisons

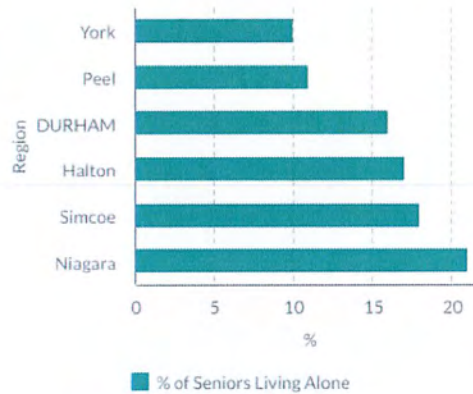


The graphs below represent comparisons between senior populations in Durham and other Regions in Ontario. The data for the graphs and the table below were extracted from the sources listed above.

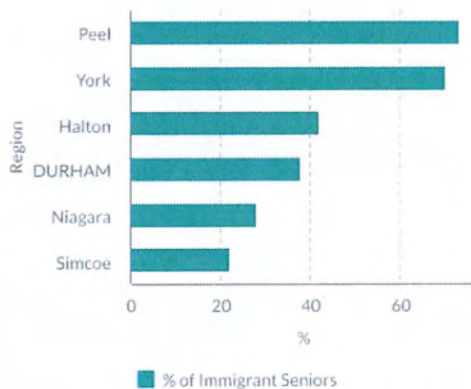
% of Total Seniors Population



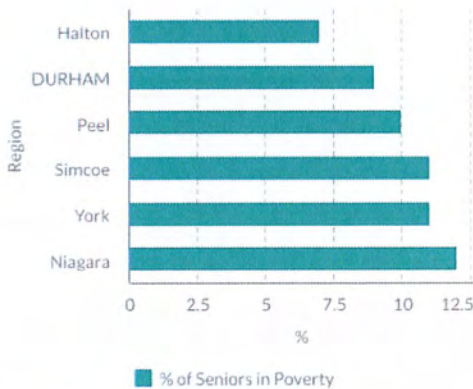
% of Seniors Living Alone



% of Immigrant Seniors



% of Seniors in Poverty



	Durham	Halton	Niagara	Peel	Simcoe	York
Total Seniors Population (55+)	174360	141575	155820	339455	149500	301130
Seniors (55+) in Poverty (Below Low-Income Measurement After Tax)	14870	10555	19245	33810	16120	34520
Seniors (55+) Living Alone	27490	23510	33195	37945	26435	31155
Immigrant Seniors (55+)	65470	60080	43675	247150	33250	210865

SUMMARY OF FINDINGS

The data contained in this profile can help determine vulnerabilities of the seniors population in

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Please include this email in your minutes.

After careful thought, as a taxpayer and resident, I wish to share my response to your planned housing unit for the homeless in the town of Beaverton. I am thankful to Mike Jubb and other councillors who through their careful stewardship opposed the project and further support an intense investigation into the feasibility of this location. Knowing this town well, I oppose your project anywhere in Beaverton.

Beaverton is completely under serviced to respond to the needs of this incoming proposed population. Regardless of who owns the land adjacent to Gillespie Gardens, it is utterly foolhardy to put such a vulnerable population adjacent to an existing vulnerable seniors residence in a town with a fragile economy. In short, putting this facility anywhere in Beaverton is a big mistake and those who voted to do so also know it is a mistake. In fact, those who made the decision have demonstrated that they are unworthy of holding public office. It is also my belief that there are viable and impactful solutions that must be explored before such a detrimental decision is made.

For consideration, I offer two such alternatives:

1. Homelessness is a systemic problem on a national scale and needs to be addressed seriously. I suggest that the funds allocated for this project be used in a federal/provincial/municipal collaborative program on base within the Canadian Armed Forces. All the services required are present. This would provide a home/ shelter, existing mental, physical and dental health services, counselling along with physical exercise, discipline, camaraderie, routine, employment and more. Further, a mentoring program one to one would help realign values, defeat isolation and despair...the Canadian Armed Forces can assist and turn this around and assist these folks to becoming contributing members of society. Homelessness is a huge crisis and requires multi-level government intervention and support.
2. A more immediate but weaker alternative option is to relocate this project to an environment that has the support system and infrastructure with minimal disruption to the community. Regardless of the ownership of the land adjacent to Gillespie Gardens, you must be aware, this project will never succeed in Beaverton. There is, however, significant land and services in Goodwood/Uxbridge area; to a lesser extent Sunderland, although far greater than in Beaverton.

As elected officials you are compelled to explore all options and protect the community of taxpayers that already have built lives and homes in Beaverton. Consider a structure that would actually rebuild the lives of the homeless and not disturb the wellbeing of the entire community. The liability of your decision rests with each of you and the members of the Beaverton Community hold you accountable.

Sincerely,
Mary Ellen Empringham

Lesley Donnelly

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Beaverton Metal Works Celebrates 55 Years in Business!



Congratulations to the Drake family, owners of [Beaverton Metal Works Ltd.](#), as they celebrate 55 years in business this year. Located in the Township of Brock, Beaverton Metal

Works offers their customers high-quality custom metal fabrication services, products and repairs. The business opened in 1965 and has expanded significantly over the years leading to two new spin-off business ventures, [Beaverton Self Storage](#) and the [Welder's Wife](#).

Pingles Farm Market's fun and fresh food tradition

The 33-year fun and fresh food tradition of [Pingle's Farm Market](#) continues under new ownership. This Clarington year-round farm market supplies one hundred per cent Canadian



groceries to their customers along with a wide selection of locally grown foods. Pingle's hosts enjoyable experiences on the farm including pick-your-own apples, sunflower fields, pumpkin patches and the favourite Pingle's corn maze! Learn more about what they have to offer at [Pingle's Farm Market!](#)

Regional ICON Broadband Application to improve broadband access

Durham Region has recently applied for the provincial ICON (Improving Connectivity for Ontario) funding program to improve broadband access in our rural communities. Durham is proposing a project that will bring highspeed fiber optic cables to our rural communities and establish points of connection for ISPs to provide high speed internet connections.



This application has been supported by the Durham Agricultural Advisory Committee, Agricultural Advisory Committee of Clarington and the Durham Region Federation of Agriculture.

To learn more about broadband in the region, visit durham.ca/broadband.

Three ways to support local in Durham Region



1) Visit InvestDurham.ca/localfood to find a directory of local food businesses, craft beverages, farmers markets and more. Sort by type of farm, location and search the interactive farm map available from [Durham Farm Fresh](#).

2) Visit DowntownsOfDurham.ca and re-discover shopping in your own backyard. With a directory of the stores located in the downtowns

across Durham, the options for take-out, local craft beverages, retail shopping and more are endless.

3) Visit [InvestDurham.ca/safetyandppe](https://investdurham.ca/safetyandppe) to find a marketplace of local companies supplying personal protective equipment (PPE) and other safety supplies.

Species at Risk Partnerships on Agricultural Lands - Pending Intake Opening September

Through a partnership with the Ontario Social and Crop Improvement Association, the [Species at Risk Partnerships on Agricultural Lands \(SARPAL\)](#) is focused on working with farmers to support the recovery of species at risk on agricultural lands. The SARPAL is part of the Environment and Climate Change Canada Initiative, farmers or agricultural landowners can receive up to 50 per cent of eligible project implementation costs. The intake opens on September 8 and closes on September 22 (or until funds run out). [Learn more about the SARPAL program.](#)

Agro-Climate Impact Reporter Network

The Agro-Climate Impact Reporter (AIR) is a network of volunteers who provide information on agro-climate impacts across the country. The network aims to connect Agriculture Agri-food Canada with people in the agriculture community across Canada. The data collected in the AIR is used to inform policies and programs such as AgriRecovery. Throughout the growing season (April to October), a survey is available on the last week of the month to collect weather and climate impacts on farm operations. [Learn more about the AIR Network.](#)

Regional Cycling Plan Update 2020 Survey

Thanks to input previously provided, [Durham's Regional Cycling Plan Update](#) is almost complete and we are looking for feedback to advance the next steps! Complete the [Regional Cycling Plan Update Summer Survey](#) by September 11 to identify the policies and programs that



will support the implementation of the Plan and help create a culture of activity throughout the community.

Township of Brock is establishing Tourism and Economic Development Advisory Committees



The Council of the Township of Brock has approved the establishment of a Tourism Advisory Committee and an Economic Development Advisory Committee to advise Council on initiatives and programs that will support economic development and tourism across the township. Individuals interested in being on either committee can [submit an online application form](#) by September 9.

Downtown Revitalization Plan Underway in Uxbridge with support from the Rural Economic Development Program

On August 13, the Township of Uxbridge received funding to launch a [Downtown Revitalization Project!](#) The project will create a downtown revitalization plan to improve the overall well-being of downtown Uxbridge that will attract investment, create jobs, and boost economic development.



The Hon. Peter Bethlenfalvy, President of the Treasury Board and the Hon. Ernie Hardeman, Minister of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs visited Uxbridge to announce funding of up to \$100,000 under the Ontario Rural Economic Development (RED) program; noting that creating more ways to strengthen rural economies is part of the Province's plan to build Ontario together.

The Region of Durham and the Uxbridge BIA are partners with the Township of Uxbridge for this exciting project.

Digital Mainstreet programs and funding available to help Durham Region businesses go digital



Digital Main Street (DMS) is offering a suite of programs to help small, independently owned businesses increase their digital presence:

1) ShopHERE: helping businesses build and optimize their online stores.

2) Ontario Grants: online training, access to funds of \$2,500 and digital service squads help businesses increase their digital

presence.

3) Future Proof: helps businesses identify new markets, pivot their business models and implement a deep digital transformation plan.

Programs are first come first serve and available on a limited basis.

[Learn more about the DMS programs.](#)

Funding to help Ontario Food Processors become more Competitive and Innovative

The Federal and Provincial Governments committed over \$5.4 million to help food processing businesses increase productivity, access markets and improve safety through the Canadian Agricultural Partnership. [Learn more.](#)



Funding for Agricultural and Horticultural Societies

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[more.](#)

Call for Nominations to the Durham Farm Connections Celebrate Agriculture Awards

Durham Farm Connections is excited to celebrate and recognize the excellence in our agricultural communities. Even though the Celebrate Agriculture Gala is cancelled for this fall, the awards will continue. Durham Farm Connections is seeking nominations for the Farm Family Award, Spirit of Agriculture Award, and Leadership Award. Join us in continuing the celebration of our great agriculture community members by making a nomination. Nominations are due on September 30. Email info@durhamfarmconnections.ca to request the nomination form.



Halenda's Pepperoni Stix Fundraiser



Halenda's Meats, based in Oshawa, is running a province-wide Pepperoni Stix fundraising program for community members and organizations. Local non-profits and organizations are an

important part of our community and Halenda's Meats is happy to help with their fundraising initiatives. The Pepperoni Stix fundraiser has been adapted with new business practices to meet the challenges of COVID-19. The program includes outlines for how to raise money safely. For more details, visit HalendasFundraising.com.

Always in Season: A toolkit for Local Food Practitioners

The [Ontario Federation of Agriculture](https://ofa.on.ca) has created a resource for local food operators, communities and food and beverage processors to use as a guide to promote and support the local food economy. To view the available tools, templates and events to participate in, visit ofa.on.ca/AlwaysInSeason.



Clarington's Agriculture Resource Website



The Municipality of Clarington has created an online list of agricultural resources, including employment, funding, industry news, accessing local food and more. This is a one-stop shop for Clarington farmers to stay up to date with the most current resources and information.

[Check it out!](#)

Clarington's Ward Boundary Review

The Municipality of Clarington is reviewing their current ward structure to ensure all voices are fairly represented at

Ward Boundary Review
2020



Council. Input is being gathered through public consultations and surveys along with working with a consultant to assess whether there is a need to restructure Clarington's wards. Changes would be in effect for the 2022 election year. For more information, visit engageclarington.ca/WardBoundaryReview.

Farm 911 Project



Durham Region is supporting the [Farm 911 Project](#), which will help to fund 911 signage on vacant rural properties or secondary property entrances. Implementation of this project will begin in 2020-2021. The Region recognizes the importance of farm safety and is committed to raising awareness around the project and farm safety.

Feeding your Future: Agriculture and agri-business employment support

The Ontario Federation of Agriculture, Ag Careers.com and Careers in Food have partnered to create the [Feeding your Future campaign](#). This project offers free job boards, job matching services, virtual career fairs, employment support and workshops for farmers and businesses looking for jobs or looking to hire.



The goal of the service is to help fill job shortages in the agriculture sector, improve employee retention and encourage job seekers to build meaningful careers in the agriculture industry.

On September 17 join in on the [Eastern Ontario virtual career fair](#).

Durham College Community Employment Services support agriculture



If you are looking to hire staff, contact Durham College Community Employment Services. They have a free job board to post job ads; consultants who can help find the right candidates for the job; and programs to help cover the costs of training. Take advantage of this great, free Durham employment resource.

Visit EmploymentHelp.ca for more information.

Ontario Agri-Food Venture Centre offers resources for local food entrepreneurs

The Ontario Agri-food Venture Centre, located east of Clarington, offers small batch fruit and vegetable processing for farmers to add value to their products. They have lots of equipment available from washing and cutting, to freezing and packaging, to storage and testing in the commercial kitchen. For a full list of available equipment, facilities and booking dates, visit oafvc.ca.



Webinar recordings available on Durham Farm Fresh YouTube channel

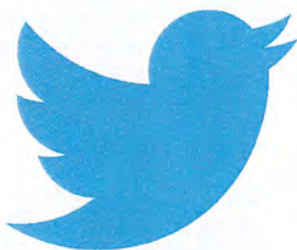


Durham Farm Fresh and Invest Durham have been working together to deliver webinars to support farmers in operating their business in this ever-changing environment.

The webinar recordings are available on the Durham Farm Fresh YouTube channel:

[Health and safety for farms open during COVID-19](#)
[E-commerce, bringing your business online](#)

Follow Durham AgRural on Twitter!



For more frequent updates on Durham Region success stories, resources, local news, fun facts and more, follow the Agriculture and Rural Economic Development team on Twitter [@DurhamAgRural](#). [#DurhamAg](#)

Upcoming Events

For a full listing of events and webinars, visit the Invest Durham Calendar: investdurham/calendar.

Agri-Food Webinar Series: COVID-19 Business Recovery Accelerator

York Region is offering a webinar series for small food and beverage processors to learn about practical solutions and strategies to recover from COVID-19. A series of four online modules will be offered between September 19 and October 7. Find out more and [register online](#).



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RE: Town of Gore Bay - COVID-19 Funding Support Resolution

Please be advised that Township of Puslinch Council, at its meeting held on September 2, 2020 considered the aforementioned topic and subsequent to discussion, the following was resolved:

Resolution No. 2020-242: Moved by Councillor Bulmer and
Seconded by Councillor Sepulis

That the Consent Agenda item 6.15 Town of Gore Bay - COVID-19 Funding Support Resolution be received; and

That Council direct staff to send support of the City of Oshawa resolution to Hon. Ted Arnott, Prime Minister Trudeau, Premier Ford, and all Ontario Municipalities.

CARRIED

As per the above resolution, please accept a copy of this correspondence for your information and consideration.

Sincerely,
Courtenay Hoytfox
Deputy Clerk



File: A-2100

June 26, 2020

DELIVERED BY EMAIL

The Right Honourable Justin Trudeau,
Prime Minister of Canada
Email: justin.trudeau@parl.gc.ca

The Honourable Doug Ford,
Premier of Ontario
Email: premier@ontario.ca

Re: COVID-19 Funding

Oshawa City Council considered the above matter at its meeting of June 22, 2020 and adopted the following recommendation:

“Whereas on March 11, 2020, the World Health Organization and the Canadian Government declared COVID-19 a global pandemic; and,

Whereas on March 12, Ontario ordered schools closed and by March 17, began a more extensive shut down; and,

Whereas the pandemic has led to the closure of public spaces and the cancellation of events around the world throughout the country our province and right here within our own community, causing great stress on the arts sector; and,

Whereas local cultural organizations such as the Oshawa Folk Arts Council representing over 13 member clubs and organizations, as well as the many local service groups such as the Oshawa Rotary Club, have all been forced to cancel major events (i.e. Fiesta Week; Rib Fest; etc.) which historically contribute in large part to the fundraising and operational financing efforts of these sociocultural entities; and,

Whereas the Government of Canada and the Province of Ontario have committed they through the Canada Council for the Arts will continue to work with the Government of Canada, as well as provincial, territorial, and municipal partners, to ensure the strength of the sector; and,

Whereas at present, the Canada Council's for the arts priorities as are our collective governing priorities are to ensure the health and safety of people across Canada and around the world and to work towards the sustainability and recoverability of the arts sector; and,

Whereas a significant period has past without further indication as to what tools, funding measures, or financial support our local social cultural, service clubs, and children/youth minor sporting originations can readily access to help support their operating costs and programming,

Therefore be it resolved:

1. That the Federal, Provincial, and Regional Government help local municipalities assist their local social cultural, service clubs, and children/youth minor sporting originations with clear and definitive relief funding programs directed to help sustain the afore mention groups through these trying times inflected on them by the affects of COVID-19; and,
2. That a copy of this resolution be sent to the Prime Minister of Canada, the Premier of Ontario, all Ontario Municipalities, all Members of Provincial Parliament, all Members of Parliament and Association of Municipalities of Ontario and Federation of Canadian Municipalities."

Oshawa City Council respectfully requests your consideration of the above noted matters.

If you need further assistance concerning this matter, please contact Ron Diskey, Commissioner, Community Services Department at the address listed on Page 1 or by telephone at 905-436-3311.



Mary Medeiros
City Clerk

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