



Add the What3Words App to your Bruce County Hiking Checklist

What3Words is a free App that will communicate your precise location to a 9-1-1 call centre by telling them your 'what3words address', a unique combination of three words that identify a 3-metre by 3-metre location. It is a very precise way to let first responders know your location in the event that you are lost or get injured.



August 29, 2024

Bruce County is a hiker's paradise, with many trails for all experience levels throughout the County. Wearing proper footwear, having snacks and water with you, and letting someone know your plans are all good pieces of advice when heading out on one of the region's beautiful trails. Did you know that there is also an App that you can download to help keep you safe?

What3Words is a free App that will communicate your precise location to a 9-1-1 call centre by telling them your 'what3words address', a unique combination of three words that identify a 3-metre by 3-metre location. It is a very precise way to let first responders know your location in the event that you are lost or get injured. The app can also be used offline, which is helpful on some of Bruce County's more remote trail locations where connectivity may be a challenge.

The creators of the app divided the world into 3 metre squares and gave each square a unique combination of three words.

It's the easiest way to find and share exact locations.

So, if you get turned around while exploring one of Bruce County's extensive trail systems, or twist your ankle while enjoying the view, having the What3Words app on your phone can bring you peace of mind. It will provide your exact location to emergency responders so they can guide you or locate you and bring you to a safe location.

"In an emergency, identifying exactly where help is needed is critical to getting resources there quickly. This can be difficult if you're in a remote area with no street address, no obvious landmarks, or on an unnamed trail. With the What3Words app, you can provide first responders with a unique set of three words that will exactly pinpoint your location, helping them get to you more efficiently," said Ray Lux, Bruce County Emergency Management Coordinator.

Get out and enjoy Bruce County's endless beauty safely! Download the What3Words app!

Discover more about [What3Words](#).

Download now on the [App Store](#) or [Google Play](#).

Discover more about Emergency Preparedness at www.brucecounty.on.ca/getprepared

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Council Meeting Highlights - Thursday, September 5, 2024

Bruce County Council met on September 5, 2024 beginning at 9:30 AM in the Council Chambers and virtually through Teams. Video recordings of the meeting can be reviewed at www.brucecounty.on.ca/government/agendas-and-minutes



September 05, 2024

Bruce County Council Meeting

Council recognized the contributions of the Strategic Plan Implementation Cross-functional Team. [Report](#)

Council recognized the Contributions of the Reconciliation Steering Committee. [Report](#)

Council heard a presentation from Thorsten Arnold regarding Complex Water Contamination Threat. [Presentation](#)

Council received the Paramedic Services 2024 Deployment Review Update. [Report](#)

Council received the Community Development Office 2024 Summer Company Program Update. [Report](#)

Council received the Government Relations 2024 Q2 Business Plan Update. [Report](#)

Council received the Human Services Q2 2024 Income and Support Services Update. [Report](#)

Council received the Long-Term Care report on Physician After Hours and On-Call Coverage. [Report](#)

Council received the Museum September 2024 Information Report. [Report](#)

Council received the Planning & Development report on the Bruce County Official Plan Growth Management Amendment Approval. [Report](#)

Council approved changes to the 2025 Council meeting schedule: January 16 meeting be cancelled and rescheduled to January 23, July 3 meeting be cancelled and rescheduled to July 10, August 21 meeting be cancelled, and a budget meeting will be scheduled for October 9, 2025. [Report](#)

Council denied a proposal to change the term of the Warden and Deputy Warden's positions from a one-year term to a two-year term. [Report](#)

Council approved that a by-law be introduced to amend the Procedural By-law as follows:

That Section 22.15 be amended to appoint the Clerk as Returning Officer, and the CAO and Deputy CAO be appointed as scrutineers for elections held during the inaugural sessions.

That a nomination period for the election of Warden and Deputy Warden be added.

That Section 21.1 be amended to allow any three members of Council to be appointed to the Grey Bruce Board of Health.

That Section 21.2 be amended to allow any four members of Council to be appointed to the Bruce County Library Board, one of which may be the Warden or Deputy Warden, serving for the duration of the term of the position. [Report](#)

Council endorsed comments on the Bruce C Initial Project Description and directed staff to submit the County's Comments to the Impact Assessment Agency of Canada. [Report](#)

Council approved that the Planning and Development Department be directed to begin public engagement on the New Bruce County Official Plan, including scheduling three regional open houses, and that staff be directed to bring forward a final draft of the Official Plan for Council's consideration prior to adoption. [Report](#)

Council approved By-law 2024-051, a by-law to appoint a Municipal Law Enforcement Officer to enforce the By-laws of Bruce County. [By-law](#)

Council approved By-law 2024-052, a by-law to adopt the Emergency Response Plan for Bruce County. [By-law](#)

Council approved By-law 2024-053, a by-law to adopt a Debt Management Policy for Bruce County. [By-law](#)

Council received communication from the Bruce C Nuclear Project on Participant Funding Available. [Communication](#)

Council received communication from the Township of Huron-Kinloss with a Letter of Support for Bruce County Request to Pause Healthcare Service Level Reductions. [Communication](#)

This publication identifies highlights from recent Bruce County Council and Committee meetings. Bruce County's Office of the CAO maintains complete agendas and minutes from all Council and Committee meetings, which can be reviewed at www.brucecounty.on.ca/government/agendas-and-minutes

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Free Welcoming Week Tours at the Bruce County Museum & Cultural Centre September 13

In celebration of Welcoming Week (September 13 to 22), the Museum invites newcomers to participate in two free guided tours that explore the rich history and diverse cultural heritage of Bruce County.



September 05, 2024

In celebration of Welcoming Week (September 13 to 22), the Museum invites newcomers to participate in two free guided tours that explore the rich history and diverse cultural heritage of Bruce County.

Tours will take place on September 13 with timeslots at 11:00 AM and 1:00 PM. Each guided tour will run for about 45 minutes. During the tour, participants will learn more about the history, stories, and incredible contributions of the local Anishinaabe Peoples, and Bruce County's first settlers, gaining insight into their immigration journeys and experiences.

Complimentary coffee, tea, and refreshments will be offered after the tour in a relaxed space where guests are encouraged to meet and connect with one another.

Preregistration is encouraged; visit brucemuseum.ca for full details.

About Welcoming Week

Welcoming Week (September 13 to 22) is an annual campaign led by organizations and communities to bring neighbors of all backgrounds together, building strong connections and affirming the importance of welcoming and inclusive places in achieving collective prosperity.

About the Bruce County Museum & Cultural Centre

The Bruce County Museum & Cultural Centre offers adult and children's programming, special events, and is home to the Bruce County Archives and Research Room. Our mandate is to preserve and make available the documentary heritage of Bruce County.

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Explore Historic Bruce County Sites at Doors Open Brockton on September 28

On Saturday, September 28, 2024, from 10:00 AM to 4:00 PM, the Brockton Heritage Committee will feature 12 local historic sites, including two Bruce County managed locations, at the exciting Doors Open Brockton event. Bruce County eagerly invites the public to explore these fantastic historic locations in Brockton free of charge.



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Every year, as part of Doors Open Ontario, communities across the Province open their doors to hundreds of historic buildings, places of worship, museums, private homes, industrial areas, green buildings, heritage gardens, and other interesting venues, some of which are rarely accessible to the public. On Saturday, September 28, 2024, from 10:00 AM to 4:00 PM, the Brockton Heritage Committee will feature 12 local historic sites, including two Bruce County managed locations, at the exciting [Doors Open Brockton](#) event. Bruce County eagerly invites the public to explore these fantastic historic locations in Brockton free of charge.

Bruce County Walkerton Patrol Shop - 94 Bruce Road 2, Walkerton, ON

Built in 1960, Bruce County's Walkerton Patrol Shop ensures the safety and maintenance of roads throughout the community. The original part of the building is used for vehicle storage by night and vehicle maintenance by day. The two-bay addition houses a welding/fabrication shop. The office, employee amenities, and storage area also houses a sign shop

and vehicle parts storage.

Walkerton Jail - 209 Cayley Street, Walkerton, ON – *Open from 10:00 AM to 1:00 PM*

Built in 1867, the Walkerton Jail operated for almost 144 years, closing in 2011. The former jail is part of a complex owned by Bruce County that includes the courthouse and ServiceOntario office. The jail held prisoners from Grey, Bruce, and Huron counties. There are several thrilling stories of hangings and escapes. The Jail has also been featured on one of the Historic Cargill/Greenock Swamp tours!

Additional historic sites to explore in Brockton:

Brockton Heritage Committee Archives

Bruce County Bookstore

Cargill Museum

Flach Family Homestead

Hammond Power Solutions Inc.

Saugeen Masonic Lodge

St. Paul's United Church

Walkerton Agricultural Society

Walkerton Clean Water Centre

Victoria Jubilee Hall

Doors Open Brockton brochures will be available at the Municipal Office, the Walkerton Community Centre, Bruce County Public Library Cargill and Walkerton Branches, and at each Doors Open site.

Discover more about [Doors Open Brockton](#).

Discover more about [Bruce County Culture](#).

#BruceCountyCulture

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Spark Program Offers Grants and Mentorships to “Spark” New Sustainable Tourism Ideas for Bruce County

A sixth round of the “Spark” Mentorship & Grants Program has been launched to encourage Bruce County entrepreneurs, small businesses and non-profit organizations to create new sustainable tourism ideas for the region.



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A sixth round of the “Spark” Mentorship & Grants Program has been launched to encourage [Bruce County](#) entrepreneurs, small businesses and non-profit organizations to create new sustainable tourism ideas for the region.

The Bruce County “Spark” Mentorship & Grants Program is a partnership between [Bruce County](#), [Bruce Power](#), [Bruce Grey Simcoe Regional Tourism Organization \(RTO7\)](#), Government of Ontario and the [Tourism Innovation Lab](#).

“Bruce County is honoured to be able to provide grants and mentorship via the “Spark” program to help inspire and support entrepreneurs with the development of sustainable tourism experiences” says Bruce County Warden, Chris Peabody. “We are excited to join forces with Tourism Innovation Lab, Bruce Power, Government of Ontario and Bruce Grey Simcoe Regional Tourism Organization to offer this program again in 2024.”

The program provides selected applicants with a \$3,000 grant, mentorship and additional partner support to help get them started. In 2023, three Bruce County entrepreneurs were selected to develop new offerings for the region including farm stay accommodations, culinary getaway package, and an arts & culture program.

“Since 2019, we have been inspired by the creativity, passion, and innovative spirit of our Bruce County “Spark” Program winners. It has been a pleasure to work with our past recipients, and we look forward to seeing the new sustainable tourism ideas that come forward this year,” said Justin Lafontaine, Program Lead at the Tourism Innovation Lab.

Organizers are looking for sustainable tourism ideas that will enhance Bruce County’s current tourism offerings, create high-quality, low impact tourism experiences, address gaps in tourism products and services, motivate longer stays and repeat visits, and increase shoulder season visits and tourism spending.

“The Spark Mentorship and Grants Program is an excellent way for local entrepreneurs to turn tourism ideas into realities under the guidance of a business mentor,” said John Peevers, Bruce Power’s Director of Community and Media Relations, and Economic Development. “Innovation and mentorship aligns strongly with the Bruce Power culture and we are excited to support this project to foster collaboration and economic growth in our community.”

“RTO7 is pleased to continue to partner on the launch of the 6th Edition of the Bruce County Innovation Lab. We feel that this program creates a fantastic support system for people with new and innovative ideas that help build a sustainable tourism industry” said Bill Sullivan, CEO, RTO7.

Applications will be accepted from September 9th to October 24th, 2024. Following a juried review process, finalists will be invited to a Pitch Session where three winners will be selected.

For more information on the Bruce County “Spark” Program and to register for an upcoming info session visit www.tourisminnovation.ca/bruce.

About Bruce Grey Simcoe (RTO7): Regional Tourism Organization (RTO) 7 is a non-profit organization overseen by a board of directors and fully funded by the Ministry of Tourism, Culture and Gaming. They are one of 11 RTO’s in Ontario supporting tourism growth in Bruce Grey and Simcoe Counties.

About Tourism Innovation Lab: The Tourism Innovation Lab is a non-profit initiative created to find, foster and support new tourism ideas, experiences and partnerships, to cultivate and propel collaborations between the tourism and tech sectors, and to build a community of tourism innovators, idea makers and entrepreneurs in Canada. First launched in 2018, the Lab and its “Spark” Mentorships & Grants Program are now offered across British Columbia and Ontario. The Tourism Innovation Lab is a program of Hackforge and is based in Windsor, ON. www.tourisminnovation.ca

About Bruce Power: Bruce Power is an electricity company based in Bruce County, Ontario. We are powered by our people. Our 4,200 employees are the foundation of our accomplishments and are proud of the role they play in safely delivering clean, reliable nuclear power to families and businesses across the province and life-saving medical isotopes around the world. Bruce Power has worked hard to build strong roots in Ontario and is committed to protecting the environment and supporting the communities in which we live. Formed in 2001, Bruce Power is a Canadian-owned partnership of TC Energy, OMERS, the Power Workers’ Union and The Society of United Professionals. Learn more at www.brucepower.com and follow us on [Facebook](#), [Twitter](#), [LinkedIn](#), [Instagram](#) and [YouTube](#).

About Bruce County: Bruce County is an upper-tier municipality in Southwestern Ontario, Canada, made up of eight lower-tier municipalities and 73,396 residents. The explorers who visit, live, and work here are the dreamers who take roads less travelled and see tried and true as an invitation to try something new. Be an Explorer and call Bruce County home.

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NOTICE: Temporary Closure of Bruce Road 15 at Donnelly Crescent, Pinkerton

Please take notice that on Wednesday, September 11, 2024, from 6:30 AM until approximately 5:00 PM, a portion of Bruce Road 15 at Donnelly Crescent will be closed for ditch work. A detour will be in place along Donnelly Crescent.



September 09, 2024

Please take notice that on Wednesday, September 11, 2024, from 6:30 AM until approximately 5:00 PM, a portion of Bruce Road 15 at Donnelly Crescent will be closed for ditch work. A detour will be in place along Donnelly Crescent.

Thank you for your patience and understanding as we complete this important infrastructure work in Bruce County.

Learn more about [Road Construction in Bruce County](#).

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Bruce County Recruiting Plow Drivers and Road Patrollers for the 24/25 Winter Season!

Bruce County is now recruiting experienced Plow Drivers and Road Patrollers for the 2024/2025 winter patrol in Lucknow, Walkerton, and Paisley.



September 09, 2024

Bruce County is now recruiting experienced Plow Drivers and Road Patrollers for the 2024/2025 winter patrol in Lucknow, Walkerton, and Paisley.

Bruce County's seasonal patrol staff work to maintain the safety and efficiency of our communities and road networks. Available jobs will involve operating snow plows/sanders, patrolling County roads, and coordinating road maintenance throughout the winter months.

These are great opportunities for motivated, local residents looking for independent, seasonal work and competitive wages. Positions will get started on November 1, 2024 and go until mid-April 2025.

Explore Winter Patrol opportunities at www.brucecounty.on.ca/jobs.

Important Information:

DZ or AZ license, a clean driving record, and experience driving in winter conditions are required.

Applicants must also be able to report to their local patrol shop within thirty minutes of call-ins.

Weekday-guaranteed hours in some roles.

Weekend-only hours in some roles.

Inquire by phone: Call Tanya in Human Resources at 226-909-3184

Apply online: www.brucecounty.on.ca/jobs

Apply via email: Send your resume to employment@brucecounty.on.ca

Join our Team! Your adventure with Bruce County starts here!

Bruce County, a welcoming, innovative, thriving community, committed to the well-being of current and future generations.

Join our team powered by innovation and shared values where explorers turn obstacles into opportunities and individual challenges into shared solutions. You will discover a lifestyle that provides endless opportunity for exploration at work and after. Your adventure with Bruce County starts here.

The Bruce County Transportation and Environmental Services Department has approximately 650 km of road and approximately 148 bridges under its jurisdiction. The department administers a road system composed of 'collector and arterial' roads, and this system provides a consistent level of service between local urban, industrial, commercial, and recreational centres.

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Bruce County Releases Draft of New Official Plan for 2024-2046

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September 09, 2024

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The new [Official Plan](#) will set out broadly the land use planning direction for the County to the year 2046. It also functions as the detailed land use plan in areas not covered by a local Official Plan, such as Hamlets, Rural, and Agricultural areas outside of settlement areas.

[Plan the Bruce](#) was started in 2018 by Bruce County's Planning and Development department, with the goal of creating a new Official Plan for the County. The current Bruce County Official Plan was adopted in 1997, and its last comprehensive update was in 2010.

The Plan the Bruce project has been a coordinated effort to establish a new community vision and develop a new Official Plan for Bruce County. Over 1,800 community members were engaged through the Plan the Bruce GPS project which

resulted in 8 Guiding Principles with the vision “To Navigate Bruce County towards a healthy, diverse, and thriving future.”

The eight Guiding Principles developed in consultation with community members are:

Good Growth: Put growth in the right locations with the right services.

Homes: Increase the supply and mix of homes.

Agriculture: Support our key economies, including a thriving agriculture community.

Business: Create opportunities for a diversity of businesses, jobs and employers.

Connecting: Improve our ability to move people, goods, and information between communities.

Communities: Create wellbeing through access to complete and healthy communities.

Heritage: Identify and manage cultural heritage resources.

Natural Legacy: Manage natural resources wisely for future generations.

Several of these policy directions have already been implemented through amendments to the current Official Plan previously approved by council and are carried over to the [draft new Official Plan](#); these include:

Additional Residential Units policies to allow individual property owners, including farmers, to add additional housing on their property.

Agricultural policy updates to better support the agricultural system.

Vision, Guiding Principles, and Growth Forecasts.

Section 5 - General Implementation policies.

The draft of the new [Official Plan](#), now available for public review, builds on this previous work to provide a complete Plan that implements the eight guiding principles.

“Staff and our consulting team put in a great effort to prepare a plan that supports complete communities in a thriving region, and we look forward to engaging with the public on the draft plan,” says Jack Van Drop, Director of Planning and Development.

To learn more and view a copy of the draft plan, mapping schedules and [public open houses schedule](#) visit [planthebruce.ca](#).

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New exhibits for fall launch at the BCM&CC on September 16

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Indian Day Schools: The National and Local Story is presented in partnership with the Legacy of Hope Foundation, Saugeen First Nation, and Chippewas of Nawash Unceded First Nation. Over 200,000 Indigenous children attended Indian Day Schools where the trauma experienced was just as severe as what was reported in Residential Schools, with the only difference being that Day School students went home at night. This exhibit also provides a local perspective on the issue, with historical insights on the seven schools that operated in Bruce County.

An accompanying programme of community conversations is scheduled for select dates from October through November for more insights about the exhibit and deeper awareness into local and personal experiences. Limited to small groups; Preregistration is required.

Proudly sponsored by Enbridge.

WARNING: This exhibition contains subject matter that may be disturbing to some visitors and may be triggering. Please call 1-866-925-4419 or your local crisis line for counselling and support.

Play Hard Fight Hard: Sport in the Canadian Military examines the significant role that sports have played within the Canadian Armed Forces. Produced by Canada's Sports Hall of Fame and The Military Museum (Calgary), this exhibit traces the history of athletic programs in the military, demonstrating how sports have been used to build camaraderie, boost morale, and prepare soldiers for the physical demands of combat.

In addition, the BCM&CC has curated local Bruce County stories focused on the role sport played while Bruce County soldiers were overseas.

Proudly sponsored by Veterans Affairs Canada.

For more information on these exhibits and upcoming events, visit brucemuseum.ca.

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Application for Fencing along the Bruce County Rail Trail Available Now

Please take notice that the Bruce County Rail Trail Fencing Sub-Committee will be setting priorities for the installation of fence along the former CNR corridor for 2025. This corridor starts at the Huron County boundary north of Clifford and extends through Mildmay, Walkerton, and Paisley to Port Elgin and southerly to the Bruce Nuclear Power Development.



September 11, 2024

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By way of this notification, the Sub-Committee will gain information to set priorities where, and if, new fence is to be installed. The Sub-committee will review landowner's requests and set priorities to install new fencing based on the following criteria:

- Significantly deteriorated existing fence
- Current livestock use on adjacent lands
- Areas of impending trail use

Deadline for applying is Wednesday, October 25, 2024

Previous applicants will be considered for 2025 and need not apply.

Application forms are available at:

Bruce County Transportation & Environmental Services Department
Walkerton Administration Centre
30 Park Street, Walkerton, ON
519-881-2400
www.brucecounty.on.ca/trails

Discover more about [Bruce County Trails](#).

Discover more about [Transportation & Environmental Services](#).

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TIFF Film series continues at the Bruce County Museum & Cultural Centre September 19

This month marks the return of the Bruce County Museum & Cultural Centre's 2024 Toronto International Film Festival (TIFF) series, aimed at bringing a diverse array of international cinema to Bruce County. On September 19 from 7:00 PM to 9:00 PM, the Museum invites visitors to a special screening of the award-winning Canadian musical drama *Les Filles Du Roi* (2023), directed by Corey Payette.



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Set in 17th century Quebec, the film follows a young French fille du roi as she forms bonds with Mohawk sister and brother in the fur trade. The film features dialogue and songs in English, French, and Mohawk and offers unique Indigenous and feminist perspectives on the colonization of Canada, along with a stunning musical score adapted from the 2018 stage musical of the same name.

The film premiered at the 2023 Vancouver International Film Festival and has garnered international recognition with awards and nominations from the Leo Awards, Flathead Lake International Cinemafest, Hamilton New York International Film Festival, and Bridges International Film Festival.

Members FREE; General Admission applies. Due to limited seating, registration is encouraged.

TIFF film screenings continue at the BCM&CC this fall with Riceboy Sleeps (2022) on October 28 and Perfect Days (2023) on November 21. Registration and full film details can be found online at brucemuseum.ca.

About the Director

Corey Payette is a member of the Mattagami First Nations and a theatre, TV, and film composer, writer, producer, and director. Known for his large-scale original musical creations, Payette inserts Indigenous narratives and perspectives to ignite conversations, inspire social change, and challenge the mainstream idea of what musicals can be. Payette is the current artistic director of Urban Ink Productions and the founding artistic director of Vancouver's Raven Theatre. Some of Payette's other works include musicals Children of God, Sedna, and Starwalker.

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Additional Residential Unit Funding Pilot for Bruce County Homeowners: Up to \$50,000 to Build Affordable Rental Units (ARU's)

Bruce County is excited to launch a new \$100,000 pilot program that offers up to \$50,000 to homeowners who wish to build an affordable Additional Residential Unit (ARU) on their property. This new pilot program creates the opportunity to help build two new affordable Additional Residential Units in Bruce County.



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This initiative is designed to help address the growing need for affordable rental housing as part of the County's initiative to 'Build in Bruce' and is one of the actions identified in the recently released [Housing Action Plan](#). By providing financial support to homeowners, the pilot program aims to increase the number of affordable rental units, while also giving homeowners a chance to earn income from their property.

Key Details of the Program:

Funding: Up to \$50,000 in financial assistance is available to eligible homeowners for the construction of an Additional Residential Unit (ARU).

Eligibility: Homeowners who own a single-detached property in Bruce County are eligible to apply. Additional criteria is available on the website [here](#).

Affordability Commitment: The newly constructed unit must be rented at an affordable rate for 15 years, as defined by the [program guidelines](#).

Quick Turnaround: The program is designed to speed up the creation of rental units, ensuring that new ARU's can be brought online as quickly as possible to meet the pressing demand for inclusive and affordable housing.

“We are excited to offer this new funding opportunity to our residents,” said Tina Metcalfe, Director of Human Services.

“This program supports homeowners to enhance the usage of their properties while advancing the County’s broader goal of increasing affordable rental options in our communities.”

How to Apply:

Interested homeowners can apply by visiting our website [here](#) or contacting Bruce County’s Housing Concierge Service at 1-800-265-3005 or housingconcierge@brucecounty.on.ca. Applications must be submitted on-line by October 11, 2024.

For more information about the program, eligibility criteria, and the application process, please visit:

<https://www.brucecounty.on.ca/buildinbruce/arufunding>.

Background: It is broadly accepted that housing is affordable when a household is not spending more than 30% of its income on housing costs. The province has also defined affordable housing thresholds for households of low and moderate income. For ownership housing, the affordable housing threshold is housing that is affordable to households with incomes at the 60th percentile. For renter households, the affordable housing threshold is 100% of average market rent as published by Canada Mortgage Housing Corporation (CMHC). In Bruce County, the affordable housing thresholds for 2023/2024 were rents below \$1,383 per month and ownership costs below \$377,300.

About Bruce County: Bruce County is an upper-tier municipality in Southwestern Ontario, Canada, made up of eight lower-tier municipalities and 73,396 residents. The explorers who visit, live, and work here are the dreamers who take roads less travelled and see tried and true as an invitation to try something new. Be an Explorer and call Bruce County home.

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Bruce County Rail Trail Restricted Access on Concession 6 in Saugeen Shores

The Town of Saugeen Shores will be conducting bridge maintenance work on Concession 6 between Highway 21 and Sideroad 13/14 for approximately four weeks beginning on September 16, 2024. This work will impede off-road motor vehicle access along the designated bypass on Concession 6.



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Off-road vehicle traffic be re-routed from the Bruce County Rail Trail using a temporary bypass on Sideroad 18/19 and Concession 2. There will be no ATV access using Concession 6.

Thank you for your patience and understanding. Bruce County apologizes for any inconveniences that these restrictions may have.

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Upcoming Long Term Care Family and Friends Education Sessions in Bruce and Grey

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Please register now and join us for one of the following education sessions:

Monday, September 30, 2024 - Sydenham Campus (Owen Sound) - 7:00 PM to 8:30 PM

Wednesday, October 2, 2024 - Gateway Haven Auditorium (Warton) - 7:00 PM to 8:30 PM

Monday, October 7, 2024 - Rockwood Terrace Auditorium (Durham) - 7:00 PM to 8:30 PM

Wednesday, October 9, 2024 - Brucelea Haven Auditorium (Walkerton) - 7:00 PM to 8:30 PM

Register now to Raelynn Aljoe at raljoe@brucecounty.on.ca.

“Family and friends play such an important role in the provision of long term care and senior services for residents across the region. We are eager to bring family, friends, and professionals together for educational opportunities and resource sharing that will enhance care and well-being. Together we make a difference!” said Megan Garland, Bruce County Director of Long Term Care and Senior Services.

Discover more about [Long Term Care in Bruce County](#).

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Bruce County Public Library is hosting a series of three essential job preparation workshops at four of their Branches this fall, with support from VPI Working Solution. This initiative is designed to help community members enhance their job search skills and increase their employment perspectives.

The workshops will cover the following topics:

Resume Writing – Learn how to craft a professional resume highlighting your qualifications and experience.

Creating a Cover Letter – Discover how to write a compelling cover letter that complements your resume.

Interview Preparation – Gain insights and tips to prepare for job interviews effectively.

A professional resume is a vital tool in the job-seeking process. It serves as your first introduction to potential employers, effectively communicating your qualifications and experiences, and sets you apart from other candidates.

These workshops are free of charge and open to all Bruce County Residents. They will be hosted at the Walkerton, Wiarton, Teeswater, and Lucknow Branches. Registration is required and can be done by contacting the Branch directly. For more information visit the [Bruce County Public Library website](#).

Bruce County Public Library is committed to its role as a trusted community connector, digital community facilitator, and community sharing place. Consisting of 17 Branches

and a Bookmobile, BCPL provides access to information, resources, and programs throughout Bruce County.




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Seven Youth Entrepreneurs Launch Bruce County Businesses

Bruce County is proud to celebrate youth entrepreneurship with the launch of seven new successful student-run businesses through the Summer Company program. The Summer Company program provides young people, aged 15 to 29, an incredible opportunity to start their own summer business.

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Bruce County is proud to celebrate youth entrepreneurship with the launch of seven new successful student-run businesses through the [Summer Company program](#).

The Summer Company program provides young people, aged 15 to 29, an incredible opportunity to start their own summer business. Each Summer Company entrepreneur receives:

- \$3,000 grant to start their new business.

- Business training on a variety of topics including sales, marketing, bookkeeping, and more.

- Mentorship opportunities from local business leaders.

“We are pleased to provide aspiring young entrepreneurs with the tools and support to start their own small businesses through this years Summer Company Program,” says Jeffrey Loney, Manager of Economic Development at Bruce County. “Congratulations to all the entrepreneurs who took on business ownership this year.”

Primarily Funded by the Province of Ontario, and under the mentorship of Bruce County Economic Development, the Summer Company program serves as a catalyst for young people to start their entrepreneurial journey and provides them with the necessary tools for success.

Congratulations to the seven grant recipients of the 2024 Summer Company program!

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Kasen Beitz - [Clean N Cruise Detailing](#) - Chesley

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Vikki Ernest - [Horsin' Around Honey Co.](#) - Chesley

The Summer Company program has played an important role in supporting the growth of young entrepreneurship in Bruce County since its inception in 2017. Over the years, the program has helped 35 local youth embrace their passions, gain hands-on business experience, and make an impact on the entrepreneurial community in Bruce County.

To stay up to date on the training and program opportunities offered by [Business to Bruce](#), sign up for emails at <http://www.businessstobruce.com>

About Bruce County: Bruce County is an upper-tier municipality in Southwestern Ontario, Canada, made up of eight lower-tier municipalities and 73,396 residents. The explorers who visit, live, and work here are the dreamers who take roads less travelled and see tried and true as an invitation to try something new. Be an Explorer and call Bruce County home.

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Bruce County Preparing Launch of 2024 Starter Company Plus Program with Information Sessions

The Starter Company Plus program is preparing for the launch of the 2024 program by hosting three information sessions for entrepreneurs to learn about the program.



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The [Starter Company Plus program](#) is preparing for the launch of the 2024 program by hosting three [information sessions](#) for entrepreneurs to learn about the program.

Through the Starter Company Plus Program, aspiring or established business owners 18 years or older are provided with support to launch or expand a business. This program is funded by the [Government of Ontario](#) and administered by [Business to Bruce](#).

The Starter Company Plus Program offers grants of up to \$5,000, along with business training and mentoring, to eligible participants in Bruce County who are looking to start a new business or expand an existing one.

If you are interested in learning more about the program and the application process, it is encouraged that you [register here](#) for one of three virtual information sessions.

Tuesday, October 1, 2024 – 10:00 AM – 11:00 AM

Thursday, October 3, 2024 – 6:00 PM – 7:00 PM

Saturday, October 5, 2024 – 1:00 PM – 2:00 PM

Following the information sessions, the [Starter Company Plus program](#) will launch, and entrepreneurs are encouraged to apply. To participate in the program, each entrepreneur needs to successfully:

Complete a training program, including mentorship and workshops.

Complete a business plan.

Present a business pitch to the Grant Review Committee.

“We are so excited to be offering three information sessions to local aspiring or experienced entrepreneurs to learn about our Starter Company Plus Program” states Jeffrey Loney, Bruce County’s manager of economic development. “These information sessions provide a great opportunity for local budding entrepreneurs to learn about the program, application process and understand how Starter Company Plus Program can help not only their business but the larger economic community” nurtures collaboration among budding entrepreneurs and provides invaluable access to funding, local business experts, resources and services.”

Delivered through Bruce County’s [Business to Bruce](#) program, this program has provided grant funding to sixty-two entrepreneurs since 2017.

To register for a [Starter Company Plus](#) information session, [click here](#).

Learn more about Business to Bruce programs, workshops and sign up for emails [here](#).

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Bruce County's Annual Bridges to Better Business Networking Event Empowering Teams for Success Through Enhanced Customer Experiences

Bruce County entrepreneurs and business owners are invited to Bruce County's annual Bridges to Better Business networking event. This year the theme is Empowering Your Team for Success: Enhancing the Customer Experience.

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Bruce County entrepreneurs and business owners are invited to Bruce County's annual [Bridges to Better Business networking event](#). This year the theme is Empowering Your Team for Success: Enhancing the Customer Experience.

[Bridges to Better Business](#) networking event is designed to inspire growth and build connections between businesses and entrepreneurs within Bruce County. This event has been curated to go beyond traditional networking with interactive speakers, including local Chef Alexandre Lussier and award-winning speaker Daniel Lewis, who understand the importance of creating authentic customer experiences.

Here are the event details:

Date: Thursday, October 17, 2024

Time: 4:30 PM – 8:15 PM (Networking at 4:30 PM; program starting at 5:30 PM)

Venue: [Powerlink-Office](#), 1020 Goderich Street, Port Elgin

Tickets: \$40/person (Includes complimentary non-alcoholic beverages, plated dinner and interactive experience)

Speakers: We are excited to welcome award-winning entrepreneur, author and public speaker [Daniel Lewis](#). Daniel will inspire attendees to elevate their customer service and take their team's performance to new heights.

We're also thrilled to feature the award-winning local culinary talent, Chef Alexandre Lussier, brainchild of [West Coast Catering](#) and [George's on Harbour in Kincardine](#). Chef Alex will share insights into his team's exceptional customer service while guiding you through the creation and plating of your very own appetizer.

“Bruce County's economic development team is excited to host our annual Bridges to Better Business event, providing opportunities for networking with like-minded entrepreneurs and businesses,” says Jeff Loney, manager of economic development at Bruce County. “These events foster new connections, which create a sense of community and generate ideas for co-creation, which is at the heart of entrepreneurship.”

Bridges to Better Business is an annual event run through Bruce County's Business to Bruce Program, bringing entrepreneurs together to learn and network. Not just another networking event, this is a unique convergence of business minds keen on fostering genuine, long-term connections.

Register Now: Discover how to enhance the customer experience. [Learn more about the event and secure your spot.](#)

This project is funded in part by the Government of Canada through the [Federal Economic Development Agency for Southern Ontario \(FedDev Ontario\)](#). [Business to Bruce](#) is supported by the [Government of Ontario](#).

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Brucelea Haven Staff and Residents Walk and Roll to support The Terry Fox Foundation

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September 18, 2024

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“This year, Brucelea Haven residents and staff have taken inspiration from Terry Fox's example of determination, perseverance, and compassion and are raising important funds for cancer research. Please sponsor our team and make a difference in the lives of cancer patients and their families. Together we make a difference...#nomatterwhat!” said Megan Garland, Bruce County Director of Long Term Care and Senior Services.

Those interested in supporting the Brucelea Haven Resident Council Team with an online donation can visit:

<https://run.terryfox.ca/team/blhrescouncil>.

Discover more about [Long Term Care in Bruce County](#).

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Council Meeting Highlights - Thursday, September 19, 2024

Bruce County Council met on September 19, 2024 beginning at 9:30 AM in the Council Chambers and virtually through Teams. Video recordings of the meeting can be reviewed at www.brucecounty.on.ca/government/agendas-and-minutes



September 19, 2024

Bruce County Council Meeting

Council received from Corporate Services the 2025 Pre-Budget Report. [Report](#)

Council received from Human Services the Early Learning and Child Care Service System Plan 2024-2028 Report. [Report](#)

Council received from Human Services the Housing and Homelessness Plan Strategic Pillars and Objectives. [Report](#)

Council received from Human Services the New Child Care Funding Approach Report. [Report](#)

Council deferred the Museum Expansion Report and directed staff to explore options for partnerships and alternative location opportunities. [Report](#)

Council approved By-law 2024-055, a by-law to govern the proceedings of the Council and Committees of the Corporation of the County of Bruce. [By-law](#)

Council received communication from Eastern and Western Ontario Wardens' Caucuses (EOWC and WOWC) and Eastern Ontario Mayors' Caucus (EOMC) with Advocacy for AMO's Social and Economic Prosperity Review.

[Communication](#)

Council received a Letter from Bruce County to the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing requesting an Update on the Status of Local Housing and Homelessness Plans. [Communication](#)

Council received communication from Bruce Power expressing Appreciation for Bruce County's Support of the Nuclear Industry and the Proposed Development of Bruce C. [Communication](#)

Council received communication from Bruce Power with Notification of Extension to Commenting Deadline - Planning Phase of the Bruce C Project Impact Assessment. [Communication](#)

Council received communication on the July 26 and July 31 Grey Bruce Public Health Board Minutes. [Communication](#)

This publication identifies highlights from recent Bruce County Council and Committee meetings. Bruce County's Office of the CAO maintains complete agendas and minutes from all Council and Committee meetings, which can be reviewed at www.brucecounty.on.ca/government/agendas-and-minutes

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Local Supports and Services Highlighted at Bruce County Outreach Events

Bruce County's Human Services department will be hosting Bruce County Outreach drop-in events throughout October that will provide people with knowledge and awareness of services and supports in their communities and will connect people to supports and services that will enhance their quality of life.



September 24, 2024

Bruce County's Human Services department will be hosting Bruce County Outreach drop-in events throughout October that will provide people with knowledge and awareness of services and supports in their communities and will connect people to supports and services that will enhance their quality of life.

If you have questions or seek more information on what supports are available to you, please join us at the Bruce County Outreach event in your community. Service providers will be present to meet with people and help will be offered for setting up supports and making referrals to other community services.

Walkerton – Every Tuesday in October
Big Door (2 Durham St. East, Walkerton, ON)
12:00 PM - 1:00 PM

Some of the Service Providers that may be on site to speak with you are: Bruce County Housing, YMCA Housing Services, Bruce County Paramedic Services, Grey Bruce Public Health, CMHA Grey Bruce, VPI Employment Solutions, Bruce County Ontario Works, United Way of Grey Bruce, Salvation Army Owen Sound - Saugeen Shores

Warton - October 9, 2024 (2nd Wednesday of the month)

The Green House (527 Bedford St., Warton, ON)

10:00 AM – Noon

Some of the Service Providers that may be on site to speak with you are: Bruce County Housing, YMCA Housing Services, Bruce County Paramedic Services, Grey Bruce Legal Clinic, Grey Bruce Public Health, CMHA Grey Bruce, VPI Employment Solutions, Bruce County Ontario Works, United Way of Grey Bruce, Salvation Army Warton

Port Elgin - October 17, 2024 (3rd Thursday of the month)

Living Hope Centre (515 Goderich St., Port Elgin, ON)

Noon - 2:00 PM

Some of the Service Providers that may be on site to speak with you are: Bruce County Housing, YMCA Housing Services, Bruce County Paramedic Services, Grey Bruce Public Health, CMHA Grey Bruce, VPI Employment Solutions, Bruce County Ontario Works, United Way of Grey Bruce, Salvation Army Owen Sound - Saugeen Shores

Kincardine - October 24, 2024 (4th Thursday of the month)

Knox Presbyterian Church (345 Durham St., Kincardine, ON)

10:00 AM – Noon

Some of the Service Providers that may be on site to speak with you are: Bruce County Housing, YMCA Housing Services, Bruce County Paramedic Services, Grey Bruce Public Health, CMHA Grey Bruce, VPI Employment Solutions, Bruce County Ontario Works, United Way of Grey Bruce, Salvation Army Owen Sound - Saugeen Shores

“Bruce County Human Services, and our valuable partners, embrace an equitable and person-centred approach in the delivery of services, like early learning programs and supports for licensed child care, financial and stability supports, housing and homelessness solutions, and strategic community initiatives,” said Tina Metcalfe, Director of Human Services. “Our priority is to ensure everyone feels valued and included in our community.”

Bruce County Human Services can be reached by calling 1-800-265-3022.

To access additional community services and supports, please call 211. 211 is a 24/7 service and multilingual interpretation is available.

Discover more about [Human Services in Bruce County](#).

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Bruce County Public Library (BCPL) is proud to announce a new online selection of services for writers and readers that are now available through BiblioBoard Library. This suite of resources encourages local writers and readers to create, share, and discover unique digital content.

The **BiblioBoard Library** mobile and web platform provides access to local eBook collections, a historical database, and unique local content and collections. Patrons Bruce County can access BiblioBoard Library on their preferred browser, tablet, or mobile device with no login or library card number required. All content on BiblioBoard Library is also available with no holds, waits, or checkouts, making it perfect for classroom use, book clubs, and community reads. We are launching BiblioBoard Creator in connection with Culture Days and invite patrons to submit their favourite recipes as we create our first curated collection.

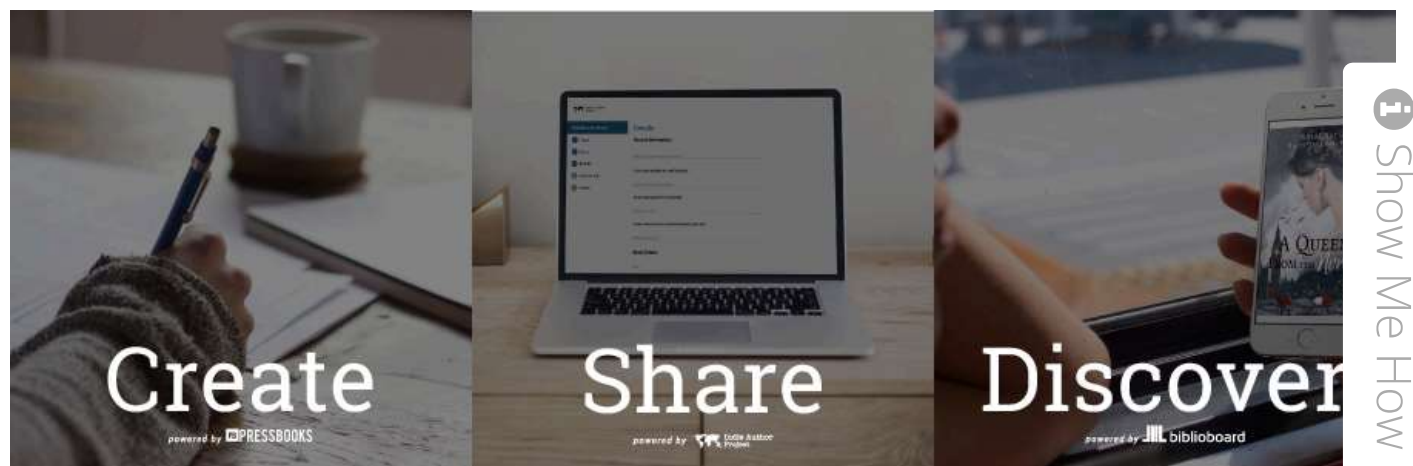
The **Indie Author Project** invites local authors and writers to share their eBooks with participating libraries throughout Ontario in the Indie collection on BiblioBoard Library, with the potential for inclusion in the royalty-paying Indie Author Project Select collections available at libraries across the U.S. and Canada. Also available for indie authors is **Pressbooks Public**, a self-publishing tool, which allows patrons to create professional-quality print-ready and eBook files with ease. Pressbooks is available to all BCPL patrons with unlimited access and requires no previous design or tech knowledge.

“We are excited to offer this new platform to our community. With BiblioBoard, we are helping local authors and patrons discover and create content in a new way that helps

foster connection. We are proud to be a part of this step forward in digital library services,” said Library Director Brooke McLean.

For more information and to explore Biblioboard visit library.brucecounty.on.ca.

Bruce County Public Library is committed to its role as a trusted community connector, digital community facilitator and community sharing place. Consisting of 17 Branches and a Bookmobile BCPL provides access to information, resources, and programs throughout Bruce County.



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Walk for Wenjack Events in Wiarton and Southampton

Bruce County, along with their valuable community partners, invite you to participate in Walk for Wenjack events on Friday, October 18, 2024 at Bluewater Park in Wiarton (1:00 PM) and on Monday, October 21, 2024 at the Fairy Lake Pavilion in Southampton (1:00 PM).



October 01, 2024

Everybody has their own reason to “Walk for Wenjack” during Secret Path Week (October 17 to October 22). For some, it may be a moment to honour Chanie Wenjack and the many others like him. For others, it may be an opportunity to raise awareness of the true history of residential schools.

Beginning in 2016, the [Gord Downie & Chanie Wenjack Fund](#) has been challenging all people in Canada to “Do Something” meaningful. Bruce County, along with their valuable community partners, invite you to participate in Walk for Wenjack events on Friday, October 18, 2024 at Bluewater Park in Wiarton (1:00 PM) and on Monday, October 21, 2024 at the Fairy Lake Pavilion in Southampton (1:00 PM). These events offer an opportunity to come together as a community, in the spirit of reconciliACTION, to walk, learn, and reflect on the more than 600 kilometers Chanie Wenjack needed to get home.

Please also join Secret Path Screenings at the Bruce County Museum & Cultural Centre on Monday, October 21, 2024 at 10:30 AM and 6:00 PM. [The Secret Path](#) is an animated film adaptation of Gord Downie’s album and Jeff Lemire’s graphic

novel. Working with Downie's poetry and music, Lemire has created a powerful visual representation of the life of Chanie Wenjack.

These are free admission events and refreshments are provided. Donations to the Nawash food bank will be accepted and the first 20 donations at each event will receive a prize from the Downie Wenjack Foundation.

In 1966, Chanie Wenjack ran away from Cecilia Jeffrey Residential School in Kenora, Ontario. He walked for 36 hours along the train tracks before dying of exposure on October 22. He was just 12 years old. His death sparked the first inquest into the treatment of Indigenous children in the residential school system. Chanie's story, tragically, is like so many stories of Indigenous children in this country.

Walk for Wenjack events in Bruce County are hosted in partnership with Cape Croker Park, Kitaamgwedaagwad Gindasswin Adult Learning Centre, Chippewas of Nawash Unceded First Nation Chief & Council, Bruce County, Bruce County Museum & Cultural Centre, Nuclear Waste Management Organization, and Bruce Power.

For more information and event updates, please visit <https://www.brucemuseum.ca/event/walk-for-wenjack/>

Discover more about Chanie Wenjack:

[Heritage Minutes: Chanie Wenjack](#)

[Chanie's Life Journey](#) (Story Map)

Gord Downie's "[The Secret Path](#)"

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Bruce County Updates Emergency Response Plan

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Emergencies threaten public safety, public health, the environment, property, continuity of government operations, critical infrastructure, and economic stability. It is not a matter of “if” there will be an emergency, it is a matter of “when” there will be an emergency.

Effective emergency management in Bruce County requires a coordinated response between many different types of organizations, including:

- Lower-tier municipalities;
- First Nation communities;
- Emergency Response organizations (i.e., police, fire, etc.);
- Other public sector organizations (i.e., school boards, hospitals);
- Private industry including critical infrastructure owners and operators;
- Neighbouring Counties; and
- Non-governmental organizations

Building from the newly updated Emergency Response Plan, the Emergency Management team has a robust training and exercise program for identified County Staff. Training and exercises are legislated pieces of Emergency Management and are an important part of developing skills, knowledge, and resources to deal with an emergency. The Bruce County Emergency Management Program runs an exercise for staff yearly at minimum and provides ongoing training throughout the year.

“The Bruce County Emergency Response Plan outlines how Bruce County will coordinate not only a County-level response to an emergency, but it also outlines how we will work to prevent, mitigate, and prepare for many types of emergencies. The plan also addresses how the County will assist in the recovery efforts post-emergency,” said Ray Lux, Bruce County Emergency Management Coordinator. “Our goal is to ensure that Bruce County is safe, practiced, and prepared for an emergency and that we can respond in a coordinated and proactive manner ensuring a successful recovery. The newly updated Bruce County Emergency Response Plan lays a foundation for that work.”

Discover more about Emergency Preparedness at www.brucecounty.on.ca/getprepared

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Bruce County Highlights National Seniors Day

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Seniors represent a significant segment of our population, and we can all think of someone who has made a difference in our lives - whether it's a mentor, teacher, grandparent, or friend. They serve as volunteers and role models, dedicating their time and wisdom to build strong families, communities, and workplaces.

“National Seniors Day is a wonderful opportunity to show appreciation. Bruce County would like to thank all seniors for their contribution to the community,” said Megan Garland, Director of Long Term Care and Senior Services.

Discover more about [Long Term Care in Bruce County](#).

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