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October 1, 2024

# Welcome to the October Edition of RTO7's Industry E-Newsletter!



October is a pivotal time for our region when we celebrate the beautiful fall season and begin preparing for the winter months ahead. This month's newsletter is packed with industry resources and upcoming events tailored to support the sustainability of our tourism community.

As always, we remain committed to fostering collaboration and growth, with a vision to establish BruceGreySimcoe as Ontario's fourseason destination of choice.

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# What's Going On...at RTO7



**Boho Beaver Transforms with Tech Compass!** 

Cinzia Acuri is the owner of Boho Beaver, a vibrant small business in our tourism community.

"We joined the Tech Compass program and found it to be really informative. They took the time to listen to the demands of our small business and understand the challenges we are currently experiencing with the use of technology. They were able to make effective recommendations on various programs and platforms which has helped our business with overall operational efficiency. I can easily recommend the program to any business who is looking to gain further insight on optimizing the use of technology."– Cinzia Acuri

Tech Compass is thrilled to have supported Boho Beaver in enhancing their operations and embracing digital solutions. If you're ready to elevate your business like Cinzia did, we're here to help!

Discover how Tech Compass can transform your business at TechCompass.ca

Tech Compass is funded by the Government of Canada through the Federal Economic Development Agency for Southern Ontario



## Bruce County "Spark" Grant Program

Applications are open for the Bruce County "Spark" Grant Program through the Tourism Innovation Lab with a goal to inspire Bruce County entrepreneurs, small businesses, non-profits, and community groups to come forward with creative ideas that will spark new sustainable tourism offerings, experiences and collaborations in the region. Pitch it to the "Spark" Program for a chance to be selected and receive:

- Receive 3-months of invaluable mentorship
- \$3,000 grant to implement your idea
- Additional partner support and resources
- Access to a support network of tourism innovators, entrepreneurs and leaders

The deadline to apply is October 24! Learn more and apply by visiting **TourismInnovation.ca/Bruce** 

# **Destination Ontario Updates**

This is your quarterly reminder to submit your fall planning content through Destination Ontario's **Always ON Partner Content Intake Form**. This intake is meant for RTOs, DMOs and Sector Association marketers to share content with Destination Ontario. It is not intended for individual operators within your destination or membership.

Destination Ontario has created a separate **Content Intake for Tourism Businesses & Events**, which you can feel free to share.

# Funding

#### **Ontario Cultural Attractions Fund**

The stage two application form deadline for the OCAF is November 1, 2024. OCAF funding is available to incorporated Ontario-based, not-for-profit and/or charitable professional arts, heritage or cultural organization, or an Ontario municipality / municipal agency, or First Nation, Band Council, Metis, Inuit community that are undertaking a major project in the arts or heritage sector. The organization must have been in existence for at least one year. To review eligible projects and funding criteria, please visit https://www.ocaf.on.ca/.

# Webinars, Workshops & Events

• October 2, Virtual: Building a Tourism Experience: Build Revenue and Guest Satisfaction, 12 to 1 pm

Business to Bruce is hosting a free webinar for tourism businesses in the county. Learn how to create unique tourism experiences that attract new

guests, increase revenue, and extend your visitor seasons. Sign up now before registration closes!

## October 2, Virtual: Introduction to the AODA and Compliance Requirements, 11 am to 12 pm

TIAO is hosting a webinar about Ontario's accessibility laws, and what your organization must do to comply. Learn more and register now!

## October 3, Green Economy Hub Project Info Session for South Georgian Bay, 6:30 to 8 pm

The Institute of South Georgian Bay and Collingwood Climate Action Team are hosting an in-person info session at the Wasaga Beach Arena featuring engaging presentations from local businesses, collaborative discussions, and networking opportunities. Learn more and register here.

 October 10, Adaptive Innovation Lunch N' Learn, 8:30 am to 3:30 pm The Orillia Area CDC invites you to their annual event, for a day of networking, inspiring stories, and education. Lunch and refreshments included in the \$45 pp registration. Register your attendance today.

## October 10, XcelerateHER: Turning Setbacks into Success, 10 am to 12 pm

The South Georgian Bay Small Business Enterprise Centre and community partners are hosting an XcelerateHER workshop, providing the tools, insights, and resilient mindset needed to navigate the entrepreneurial journey with confidence and purpose. The XcelerateHER community connects women entrepreneurs to events, peer groups, mentorship, funding, and support. Register to attend this free event at the Wasaga Stars Arena here.

## October 17, Building Success through Time Management & Business Systems, 8:30 am to 4 pm

Join Nottawasaga Futures and Simcoe County partner organizations for a Small Business Week event at the Gibson Centre for Community, Arts and Culture in New Tecumseth. This full day event is designed to help entrepreneurs boost their potential through a series of workshops on time management and smart systems. **Register to attend** this free event and don't forget your non-perishable items for the food bank!

# October 17, Business to Bruce: Bridges to Better Business Networking Event, 4:30 to 8:15 pm

The annual Business to Bruce networking event is being hosted at the Powerlink Office in Port Elgin and will focus on "Empowering your Team for Success: Enhancing the Customer Experience". **Register today** to learn and grow with fellow entrepreneurs, business owners and leaders in the community. Tickets are \$40 pp and include dinner and an interactive experience.

## October 22, Virtual: Unlock Tomorrow's Business Trends to Fast-Track Growth, 12 to 1 pm

BDC's Chief Economist will present an economic update and insights on the major trends shaping Canada's rapidly evolving business landscape. Join the free webinar by **registering here**.

## October 23, Virtual: Maximize Business Growth with Google Ads, 10 to 11 am

Whether you're just starting out with online advertising or looking to elevate your current strategies, this dynamic webinar through GET Digital Support will equip you with the tools and insights you need to create, manage, and optimize powerful Google Ads campaigns that drive real results. **Register your free attendance here**.

## October 24, Virtual: Business to Bruce – Measuring your Ad Spend, 12 to 1 pm

Join this free interactive session to ensure your ad dollars are working effectively and explore new possibilities for your marketing! Reserve a spot here.

### October 22 to 23, 2024 Ontario Tourism Summit

Join TIAO and its members for their annual 2-day conference in Hamilton. This year's summit is about Awareness, Collaboration, and Making it Happen. Register at the Advanced Member Pricing rate until September 2 on the TIAO website here.

### • November 5, Hire & Keep Apprentices, 8:15 to 10:30 am

Join the Four County Labour Market Planning Board for breakfast followed by a workshop at Trillium Mutual Insurance in Listowel. The workshop will provide small and mid-sized employers the knowledge and resources needed to attract, train, and retain apprentices. Reserve your spot here.

 November 19, Tourism Simcoe County Partner Meeting, 9:30 am to 1 pm

Simcoe County tourism stakeholders are invited to attend the 2024 partner meeting at Fern Resort. The meeting will include a presentation of their draft 2024 work plan, provide an update on the Craft Beverage Development project, and share their latest visitor statistics from the County. **Register here** for this free meeting including a networking lunch and optional tour of the Resort!

# In Case You Missed It



#### Four County Labour Board EmployerOne Survey Now Open!

Calling all Businesses in Bruce and Grey counties. The EmployerOne Survey is a survey of local businesses to better understand labour market demand in our region. No data, No Solutions. Please help us support your workforce needs by **completing the survey here**.

For more information, visit https://www.planningboard.ca/employeronesurvey/

## IN EVERY NEWSLETTER:

#### **RTO7 Programs and Resources**

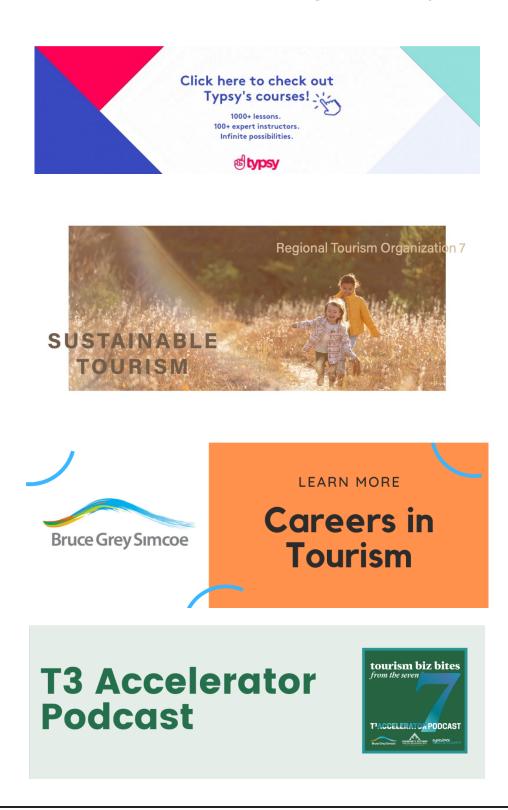
Our programs and resources aim to support business growth, foster collaboration, promote sustainability, provide market insights, attract more visitors, and improve tourism experiences in BruceGreySimcoe. Click on the links below for more info:

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• FREE Festivals and Events Listings on BruceGreySimcoe.com



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	COMUNITY LIVING Kincardine and District Inspiring Possibilities		
	An inclusive caring community.		
	After 22+ years, Audrey Announces Her Retirement		



Earlier this year, I made the decision it was time to retire! I am excited to start the next chapter in my life!

I have enjoyed my journey with Community Living Kincardine & District these past 20 plus years as the Assistant Director. I have been fortunate to work in a leadership role alongside two forward thinking Executive Directors, Susan Fraser and Andy Swan.

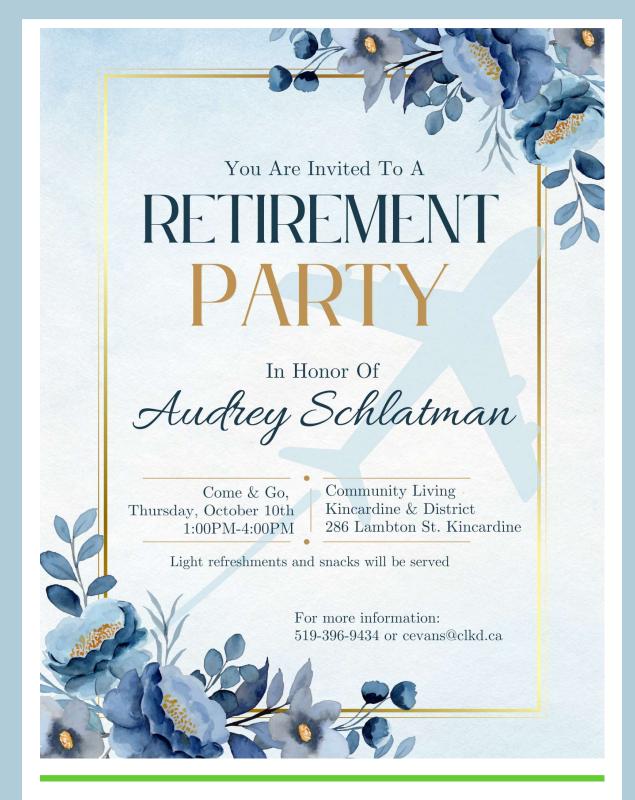
Inspired by their vision and passion for continuous improvement of our supports and services, I have found joy in every work day! I am proud of the support and care each staff member at CLKD provides to people and families every day. I have enjoyed meeting and getting to know all of you. Keep up the good work!

Thank you everyone for your support these past months as I prepared to retire. I can't even begin to express how much I have appreciated and enjoyed our time working together. I will be saying good-bye and embracing retirement on Friday, October 11, 2024. Thank you all for your good wishes in my Retirement!

I am looking forward to reading the newsletter each month to stay in touch with you and continue to be inspired by the stories. I have no doubt that CLKD will reach even greater heights in the days ahead!

Thank you for making CLKD a great place to work!

- Audrey Schlatman



# October is National Disability Employment Awareness Month



National Disability Employment Awareness Month (NDEAM) is an annual October campaign promoting disability inclusion in business and the workplace.

#### Did you know that:

Eight million Canadians 15 and older (27% of the population) identify as having a disability. That's more than the combined populations of Alberta, Saskatchewan and Manitoba. It's the largest minority group in the country.

The World Health Organization notes that globally, 1.3 billion people report having a disability. When you add family and loved ones, 73% of the world's population is directly affected by disability, controlling over US\$13 trillion in disposable income.

The Conference Board of Canada predicts there'll be a shortfall of two million workers by 2031. It's clear, businesses will need to enhance their understanding of disability to increase market share and meet future labour needs.

Community Living Kincardine and District can help local Businesses find, on-board and retain staff through direct support and raise their awareness of best practices through training opportunities. It is our vision that people with disabilities will have meaningful opportunities to participate in employment with the same rights, entitlements and opportunities to pursue fulfilling and rewarding work.

# **Apple Picking at Smith's Apple Farm**



In the photo collage, from left to right, is a photo of Catherine and Jen surrounded by apple trees and holding a bag of freshly picked apples. The collage moves on to show 2 stacked photos. The top photo shows Jen and Catherine posing with painted pumpkin people. The lower middle image shows the two in a field of pumpkins. The final two stacked images show Jen and Catherine taking a photo with a large apple painting.

"The store was amazing. It smelled so good, like baked and fresh apples. The staff were friendly and helpful, telling us where we could pick our apples. I want to make apple sauce and cider... and maybe make a pie! The store had pies and treats and I bought a special apple cider. I am excited to try it and share with my housemates. Hopefully I can go again soon!"-Catherine

- Catherine

"Picking apples and eating the apples and the smell of the apples was my favorite part of Smiths Apple Farm. I like apples and the different types of apples available. I am excited Catherine is going to share some of her cider with me"

# Sam Shows Off Her New Apartment!



"I like the blue chairs (outside on the patio) and I like my friends here. Showing off her new room and paint colour, "I like purple. I picked the color of the walls. I also picked the shower curtain

"I like moving here. it's my first time ever having my own Apt. I'm staying over night tomorrow night in my new bed, with my own fridge for pop! I'm also going out for coffee with my friends.

- Sam Hodgins

# **Ripley Fall Fair Sensory Space a Huge Success**



This collage of photos shows children playing at tables with kinetic sand and fidget toys. The photos in the middle of the collage feature a colourful ball pit and bean bag chairs.

In an effort to make the Ripley Fall Fair even more inclusive for all, CLKD and The Ripley Agricultural Society partnered to bring a sensory space to this year's fall fair.

With Support from NWMO and Trillium Mutual Insurance, sensory items were purchased, a change table was set up and a feeding space was created.

We would like to extend a heartfelt thanks to the Ripley Agricultural Society for partnering with us to bring our vision to life at the Ripley Fall Fair this year. The sensory room was a huge success! The space was available to fair attendees on Saturday from 12:00 to 4:00 p.m. in Dressing Room One. Sensory fidget toys, a small ball pit, comfortable beanbag chairs, mats, kinetic sand, and more were provided to give people who may need it, a break from the main fair attractions. The room also featured an area for parents/caregivers to change their babies and a private space for feeding.

The room was continuously filled with people of all ages and abilities. One young visitor, Brody, said, "I like this room; it's fun!" Many parents expressed their appreciation, thanking us for offering a space where they could relax with their families.

Thanks again to the generosity of our partners for helping to create such a welcoming and inclusive space. We look forward to building on this success in the future.

# A Tree in Memory of Grandma Bessie

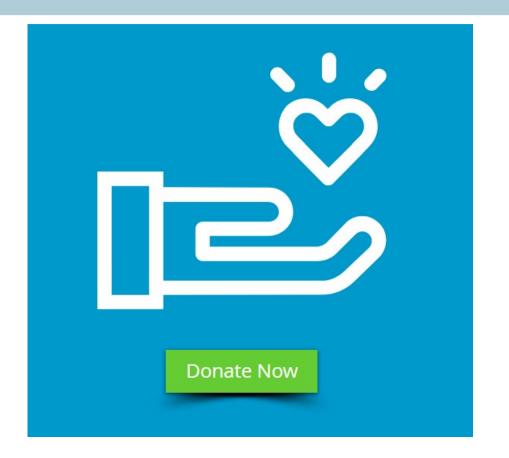


I wanted to plant a tree in the memory of my grandma. Originally I wanted a hydrangea tree, but those were hard to find so I found a rose of Sharon. It's hard to believe she's gone. I'm glad she went home to rest in Nova Scotia. I feel that she left me a good path to follow and stay on it I'd like to share a poem my grandmother chose for her funeral.

"Those we love don't go away they walk beside us every day... unseen unheard, but always near. still loved, still missed and very dear. "

- Catherine Benjamin

# **Generator Fundraiser**



As we begin to rely more heavily on electricity in our 24 hour supported homes for personal lifts, CPAP (continuous positive airway pressure) machines, recharging electric wheelchairs, and the safety and security of residents, we, Community Living Kincardine & District and the Families of people supported, are seeking support in the purchase of a generator to ensure an uninterrupted power supply during outages.

In the recent years we have experienced longer outages due to more extreme weather occurrences, highlighting the need for a generator. With a goal of uninterrupted support for residents living with a developmental disability and specific physical support needs at the Saratoga home, we are raising \$75,000 for the purchase of a commercial generator.

If you wish to support this initiative, you may **donate online**, drop off cash or a cheque to the Community Living Kincardine & District office at 286 Lambton Street or e-transfer to **donations@clkd.ca** with a note indicating the donation is in support of a generator. We thank you in advance for your support.

# Upcoming Events & Activities



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# Baby & Me Groups

**Running Every Thursday of the Month!** 

Baby & Me programs will rotate each week through Baby & Me Music, Baby & Me Messy Art, Baby & Me Sensory Play, Baby & Me Early Literacy and Baby & Me Gross Motor and Movement.

Please visit our **website** and/or follow us on **Facebook** or **Instagram** to stay up-to-date!



## **Community Christmas Party** November 30th, 2024

Save the date! Skating, cookie decorating and a whole lot of fun returns as we celebrate the season on November 30th at the Davidson Centre. Follow us on **Facebook** and keep an eye on our **website** for more details!

To learn more about CLKD's services and events, visit our website!





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Ausable Bayfield Maitland Valley Source Protection Region

# **Municipal Newsletter**

## October 2024

This is the October 2024 municipal update about the work we do, in partnership with you, to protect municipal drinking water sources in Maitland Valley and Ausable Bayfield source protection areas.

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- 1. Source Protection Plan updated
- 2. New Source Protection Committee member
- 3. New Staff for Source Water Protection Program
- 4. Water Wise events
- 5. Source protection region supports water protection through Water Wednesdays information campaign this autumn

## **1. Source Protection Plans updated**

The Ausable Bayfield Maitland Valley (ABMV) Source Protection Committee (SPC) has developed two separate updates to the source protection plans to better protect sources of drinking water.

a. Updates to the Maitland Source Protection Plan were approved by the Province of Ontario on July 24, 2024. The amendment reflects changes to the Lucknow and Century Heights drinking water systems. The vulnerable area mapping for both systems have been updated, while the previously approved policies in the Maitland Valley Source Protection Plan remain unchanged.

The approval was posted the Environmental Registry at <u>https://ero.ontario.ca/notice/019-8799</u>

b. In March 2024, the Province approved a comprehensive update to the Source Protection Plans. Numerous policies were changed to align with changes to the Ontario *Clean Water Act, 2006* and to address policy implementation challenges.

Thanks to all our local municipalities for their input during consultation.

Updated documents can be downloaded at this link: <a href="https://www.sourcewaterinfo.on.ca/the-plans/">https://www.sourcewaterinfo.on.ca/the-plans/</a>

# About Us

## Source Protection Committee

- 12 members plus a Chair
- Represents local municipalities; economic sectors; and Other/Public

## Source Protection Plans (SPP)

- Developed locally
- Approved by Province in 2015
- Updates approved in 2024
- Policies to protect municipal sources of drinking water
- Area covered Ausable Bayfield and Maitland Valley source protection areas

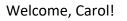
**Goal:** To protect region's municipal sources of drinking water – aquifers and lakes – from contamination and overuse

## 2. New Source Protection Committee member

The newest member of the local source protection committee is Carol Leeming. She is a representative of the agriculture sector on the Ausable Bayfield Maitland Valley Source Protection Committee (SPC). She attended her first committee meeting on Wednesday, September 25, 2024 in Holmesville.

Matt Pearson is Chair of the SPC. He says the new committee member will be a positive addition to the committee.

"Carol brings many strengths to her new role as a Source Protection Committee member," he said. "Her experience in farming, local government, and the volunteering sector will complement the diverse skills and insights of the committee members. We look forward to working with Carol on our mandate to protect source water supplies."



## 3. Elizabeth Balfour replaces retiring Program Co-Supervisor Mary Lynn MacDonald

Mary Lynn MacDonald has retired from her position of Co-Supervisor for the local source water protection program, following more than 15 years of dedicated and resourceful contributions, to our region, in different roles. We are pleased that Elizabeth Balfour has agreed to join the team as her replacement. Elizabeth has worked at Ausable Bayfield Conservation Authority (ABCA) for nine years and has a strong background in watershed management, agriculture, and GIS analysis. She is already familiar with the source water protection program and has successfully completed the Province's Risk Management Official training.

Welcome, Elizabeth!

# 4. 'Water Wise' Events: Promoting water protection to landowners with private wells

Very few landowners with private wells get their water tested on a regular basis. They may be aware that annual testing is important but often find the process to be challenging. In 2023 and early 2024, drinking water source protection staff, with assistance from Huron Perth Public Health (HPPH), organized several *Water Wise* events in partnership with local community and service groups. The goal was to encourage well water testing by providing a onetime local drop-off point for the water samples.







Local community groups hosted the Water Wise best practices events and assisted with distribution of water sampling bottles to local residents. Participating community groups include the Goderich, Dublin, Monkton, Londesboro, and Atwood Lions Clubs; and the Kirkton-Woodham and Howick Optimists, plus shoreline residents from Ashfield-Colborne Lakefront Association.

More than 420 people attended the events and more than 440 water bottle samples were provided to local public health for testing. There were more than 1,500 water bottles distributed by community volunteers. At these events, private well owners also received information about protecting source water and maintaining their wells and septic systems.

Provincial funding for this pilot project was provided to promote Ontario's Best Practices for nonmunicipal water (<u>https://www.ontario.ca/document/best-practices-source-water-protection</u>). The message to the public, at these events, was to **Test, Protect and Maintain**: test your well water; protect your source of water; and maintain your well and septic system.

Support for an additional event in 2024 was made possible thanks to the County of Huron's Huron Clean Water Project.

## 5. Source protection region supports water protection through Water Wednesdays information campaign this autumns

Ausable Bayfield Maitland Valley Source Protection Region, in partnership with the Province of Ontario and Conservation Ontario, is promoting positive local action to protect local municipal drinking water sources. The region is educating the public through **#WaterWednesdays** source protection posts on social media on Wednesdays, in autumn 2024, from October 2 to November 13. Campaign messages include:

- Drop off hazardous waste at municipal household hazardous waste days or depots.
- Select non-toxic chemicals and cleaners when doing fall cleanup this autumn.



• Tips for protecting your septic systems.

We encourage you to follow Ausable Bayfield and Maitland Valley source protection platforms and to share the posts with your neighbours.

To find out more visit the Ausable Bayfield Maitland Valley Source Protection Committee web page (<u>https://www.sourcewaterinfo.on.ca/the-committee/</u>) on the local source protection region website at <u>https://www.sourcewaterinfo.on.ca</u>

Ausable Bayfield Maitland Valley Source Protection Region c/o Ausable Bayfield Conservation Authority Tel 519-235-2610 71108 Morrison Line, R.R. 3 Toll-free 1-888-286-2610 Exeter, ON NOM 1S5 www.sourcewaterinfo.on.ca This project has received funding support from the Government of Ontario.

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## Dear Friends,

Please join us as we celebrate the 95th Anniversary of women being named as persons in Canada. Learn how secret teas helped pave the way, and connect with women who lead our communities today. Come enjoy a fabulous afternoon tea in the lovely, vaulted exhibition setting in the Blue Mountains Public Library.

## Sunday, October 20, 2024, 2:00 to 4:00PM

### Art Gallery at the L.E. Shore Public Library

173 Bruce Street South, Thornbury ON

High Tea + Local Speakers + Silent Auction + Door Prize

CLICK HERE to reserve your ticket(s) today.

### Pay What You Can basis (\$10, \$25 or \$0 Accessible Tickets are available).

Whether you are currently serving on council, thinking about running for office in the future or want to support others who do, this event is for you. Come alone or bring some friends... We know you will make more friends by the end of the afternoon!

--Laura Wood & Meghan Robertson on behalf of the electHER Now Networking Working Group

P.S. Can't come but still want to support electHER Now? Donate Here

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From: Sent: To: Subject: Pine River Watershed Initiative Network <pineriverwatershed@pineriverwatershed.ca> October 8, 2024 5:29 PM info@huronkinloss.com PRWIN Shoreline Restoration Project





# PRWIN SHORELINE RESTORATION PROJECT



Cottagers and residents may register for up to four spreading Junipers to pick-up and plant on your shoreline.

Pickup for planting will be late October and the date will be communicated to those registered.

# 100 Spreading Junipers available. Maximum of four per property

PLEASE PROVIDE THE FOLLOWING: NAME: EMAIL ADDRESS: PHONE NUMBER: ADDRESS FOR PLANTING: NUMBER OF PLANTS REQUESTED (MAX of 4) SEND DETAILS TO:

PINERIVERWATERSHED@PINERIVERWATERSHED.CA

#### Dear Shoreline Residents and Property Owners in Huron-Kinloss

The Township of Huron-Kinloss and Pine River Watershed Initiative Network are partnering to encourage cottagers and residents along the shoreline beaches in our township to begin restoring the beach dunes following the high lake levels of the past few years. During that period, a great deal of the shoreline dune area was eroded by the wave action and high winds.

Now that the lake levels have begun receding creating a wider beach which we all love and enjoy, more of the sand is exposed to wind erosion, especially during the fall and winter seasons. The beach grass has returned in most areas which helps hold the sand but larger plants with stronger root systems are needed to rebuild the protective shoreline dunes for the next high lake level period.

One of the best low profile options to assist with this restoration are Junipers (Juniperus horizontalis 'Blue Chip'). Junipers catch the sand and build the dunes during the high wind and blowing snow storms in the fall and winter seasons. The roots hold the sand in the spring when the high winds return.

For the restoration effort to be most effective the junipers must be planted on the "Swale or Back Dune Area" on the lakeshore. Over time the dunes will build up the sand necessary to again withstand the high water period of the Lake Huron cycle.

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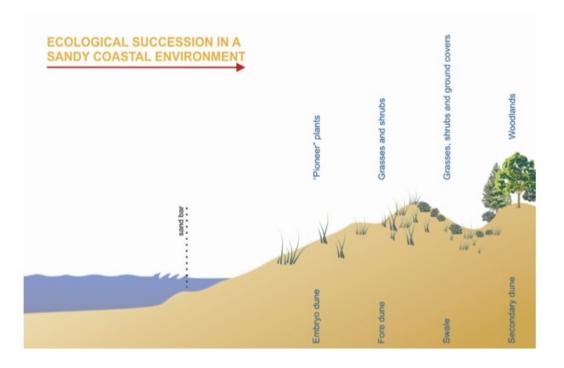
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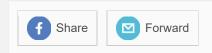
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Lake Huron has high and low energy beaches. High energy beaches, like Point Clark see a "give-and-take" of sand throughout the year. Low energy beaches like Sauble Beach have more sand removed by wind and wave action, than is added.

On low energy beaches, protecting the sand is essential because they're slower to recover. In high energy beaches, multiple dunes form over time providing a 'sacrificial buffer" during highlake levels. Vegetation grows larger further inland from the water's edge, transforming from dune grass and sedges, to shrubs, and eventually trees. This 'succession' of dunes is natural and is unique habitat for many rare species.





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Dear Valued Stakeholder:

We are pleased to inform you that Ontario has extended the <u>Electric Kick-Scooter (E-Scooter)</u> <u>Pilot Program</u> for an additional five years, until November 27, 2029. This extension reflects our ongoing commitment to exploring innovative, sustainable transportation options while ensuring public safety.

Please note that the program continues to operate on a municipal opt-in basis, which requires the enactment of local by-laws. Municipalities that have currently opted in may need to amend their by-laws to reflect the new expiry date in order to maintain their participation in the program.

We greatly appreciate your valuable feedback in shaping our policies. Your input has been integral to our decision-making processes and will continue to be a key factor in assessing the future of e-scooters in Ontario.

If you have any questions or require further clarification, please do not hesitate to contact Anna Liza La Rosa, Team Leader, Road Safety Program Development Office, at <u>Annaliza.Larosa@ontario.ca</u>.

Sincerely,

Road Safety Program Development Office

#### **Kelly Lush**

From: Sent: To: Subject: ROMA Communications <roma@roma.on.ca> October 28, 2024 12:00 PM info@huronkinloss.com ROMA Hosts ROI Webinar on Tools You Want to Know About



# **ROMA Webinar**

# Explore ROI's Rural Housing Information System and Rural Community Well-Being Dashboard

## November 13, 2024: 10:00AM-12:00PM

The ROMA Board of Directors is pleased to be hosting a webinar profiling the Rural Ontario Institute's (ROI) tools to help rural communities in important local planning decisions related to housing development and community well-being.

<u>ROI</u> is a charitable organization that delivers programs that develop strong leaders who are critical voices around opportunities and key issues facing rural and northern Ontario. ROI provides support to Ontario's rural communities in three important ways: developing leaders, informing leaders and rural communities, and connecting rural communities, leaders and partners.

Join ROMA as ROI explores and explains its RHIS and Community Well-Being Dashboard, two important tools they have developed to support rural communities in planning and decision making.

To register for this event click here.

About the ROI Tools:

**Rural Housing Information System – RHIS** 

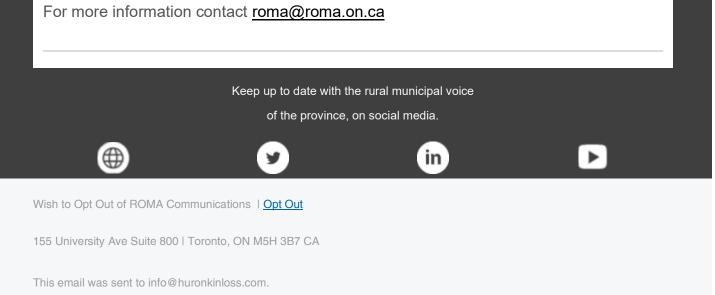
#### www.ruralontariohousing.ca

Empower your municipality's housing initiatives with the Rural Housing Information System (RHIS), a comprehensive housing data tool designed to support housing development. This user-friendly platform provides municipalities, developers, and other housing proponents with access to vital data, including demographic trends, income levels, and housing stock. The RHIS also features rental market data, building permits, and zoned land available for development. Join us for a live demonstration and see how other municipalities are successfully using the RHIS.

#### Rural Community Well-Being Dashboard – RCWB

#### https://www.ruralontarioinstitute.ca/wellbeing

ROI invites you to discover our new Community Wellbeing Dashboard - an invaluable FREE tool for rural communities to interpret and assess wellbeing at the local level. Communities can use this tool to establish baselines, develop data-driven policies, measure progress over time, and identify communities experiencing similar issues and opportunities. The webinar will provide an overview of the dashboard development process and a thorough demonstration of the tool.



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Hello there,

I am excited to confirm this year's **YMCA Peace Medal Ceremony will be taking place Thursday, November 21 at 12:30 PM** at our Health, Fitness and Aquatics facility at 700 10<sup>th</sup> Street East, Owen Sound.

**Please join us as we honour the 2024 YMCA Peace Medal Recipient(s).** The prestigious YMCA Peace Medal honours people of all ages who are helping to build better communities by exemplifying the values of PEACE.

The 2023 YMCA Peace Medal was awarded posthumously to <u>Sharif Rahman</u> for his exceptional contributions to peace-building within the community and beyond. Despite his passing in August 2023, Sharif's legacy continues to resonate with those who knew him and inspires people daily.

We host this ceremony during **YMCA Peace Week which takes place November 16-23** this year. During this week, the YMCA of Owen Sound Grey Bruce, together with YMCAs across Canada, celebrate the presence of peace in our communities, and reflect on the peace-building work that happens all year both inside and outside the YMCA. Peacebuilding is core to the YMCA's commitment to strengthening the foundation of healthy communities and part of the YMCA of Owen Sound Grey Bruce's year-round programs.

YMCA Peace Week invites people of all ages to reflect on peace, to talk, and to take action, individually and with others.

Learn more here: **ymcaowensound.on.ca/peace-week** and join the conversation on our social media!

Thank you,

**Ellen Wallace** Communications & Fund Development Specialist

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