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AMO Matters

Effective January 2, 2024, AMO is moving to a new location:

Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO) 155 University Ave, Suite 800 Toronto, ON M5H 3B7

Telephone and fax remain the same. Please amend your records with our new address.

On December 13, AMO and the Association of Local Public Health Agencies are hosting a webinar on voluntary mergers with Ministry of Health staff. See our <u>webpage</u> for additional information.

Guest Column

Last Thursday, Toronto's Centre for Addiction and Mental Health launched the <u>9-8-8</u>: <u>Suicide Crisis Helpline</u>. 9-8-8 provides lifesaving mental health support via phone or text. Help spread the word about 9-8-8 with this <u>social media toolkit</u>

Provincial Matters

The Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry is <u>seeking feedback</u> on the proposed renewal of the Ontario Invasive Species Strategic Plan.

The Ontario Fire Marshal is conducting an <u>online survey</u> for volunteer firefighters and fire chiefs to inform their understanding on recruiting and retaining volunteer firefighters.

Federal Matters

Infrastructure Canada is now accepting applications for the Planning and Design Projects Stream of the <u>Rural Transit Solutions Fund</u> (up to \$50,000). Visit their website for <u>webinars for potential applicants</u>.

Education Opportunities

The ROMA 2024 Conference program will address important issues facing rural municipalities in Ontario, including housing, economic development, responding to gender based violence, and risk management. <u>View the program</u> outline including a full list of topics and <u>register today</u>.

Mark April 30 - May 2 in your calendar for the OSUM 2024 Conference in Orillia. Check back <u>here</u> as details are confirmed.

LAS

Countries around the world, including Canada, are looking to phase out fluorescent and other mercury containing lights. Don't get left in the dark - consider the <u>LAS</u> <u>Facility Lighting Service</u> for environmentally-friendly, efficient LED upgrades. <u>Contact</u> <u>Christian Tham</u> to find out more and get started today.

Municipal Wire*

Environmental Leadership Canada is recruiting environmental leaders (aged 18-30) for a Municipal Climate Internship in eastern Ontario with Lanark, Frontenac, and Stormont-Dundas-Glengarry. <u>Applications are due December 12, 2023</u>.

The <u>Future of Aging Summit</u> in Toronto, May 15 - 17, 2024, will bring together policymakers, researchers, designers, planners, advocates, and others focused on supporting healthy aging, ending ageism and building age-friendly societies. See the speaker lineup and get early bird pricing when you <u>register</u> by December 31.

ORFA's <u>Outdoor Ice Symposium</u> is a two-day event (January 23-24, 2024) focused on the opportunities and challenges of offering outdoor ice-skating experiences for communities. <u>Register</u> to join them in-person at The Bentway, Toronto or connect virtually!

The Digital Governance Standards Institute has opened public review on <u>terminology</u> that will be used to establish consistency in data requirements for planning and development applications in Ontario.

<u>Fleming College</u> is seeking municipal environmental land-use planning and management projects to be implemented by students in the <u>Environmental Land</u> <u>Management</u> program. Contact <u>Emily Markovic</u> to discuss partnership opportunities.

Careers

<u>Director of Recreation & Children's Services - Township of North Huron</u>. Closing date: December 20.

Associate Solicitor - Town of Aurora. Closing Date: January 5, 2024.

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