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AMO Matters

The Peter J. Marshall Municipal Innovation Award celebrates municipal governments in Ontario that implement new and innovative ways to make public services, facilities, and infrastructure better for Ontarians. View full details here.

Provincial Matters

MSAA is <u>proposing a new regulation</u> that would prescribe entities that could contribute towards a Seniors Active Living Centre program's operational cost. The deadline for comments is March 22, 2024.

Nominations are open for the Lieutenant Governor's Medal of Distinction in Public Administration, Ontario's highest honour for public service. <u>Nominate someone</u> from your municipality by April 30.

Ontario's electrification and energy transition panel has released its <u>final report</u> outlining recommendations for long-term energy planning.

The province announced at the 2024 ROMA Conference that they are opening a new intake for the Rural Economic Development (RED) program. Intake is open until February 21.

The province is conducting a survey to inform the creation of a Rural Economic Development Strategy.

Share your ideas on how the province can support rural communities plan for economic success.

Federal Matters

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

Education Opportunities

Registration is now open for the AMO 2024 Conference, August 18 - 21 in Ottawa. Early bird rates are in effect until March 18. All elected officials must select a caucus to participate in the AMO Board elections.

Connect with over 2,000 AMO Conference delegates as an exhibitor. View the exhibitor package and application form here.

As AMO and municipalities await provincial direction, your Association has developed a course that helps and guides municipal leaders in the development, communication, adherence, and issues management of codes of conducts. Register for the February 28 Code of Conduct workshop today.

Build your understanding on the historical and contemporary roots of anti-semitism and anti-islamophobia, how to address these and how to build relationships and allyships. Register for the February 22 anti-semitism workshop and March 6 anti-islamophobia workshop today.

Navigating Conflict Relationships for Elected Officials is one of AMO's most popular training offerings. This course helps you understand and navigate why relationships are or become challenging. Join your colleagues at the March workshop to gain skills in building collaborative relationships and negotiating difficult ones in your role as an elected municipal official. Attendees are invited to register for the April Advanced Strategies workshop.

Don't miss out on <u>spring workshops</u>, space is limited: Cyber Security, Advanced Councillor Training, Managing Communications through Crisis, Indigenous Community Awareness, Foundations in Planning, Advanced Land Use Planning and Competing Rights.

LAS

The <u>Energy Planning Tool</u> takes the guesswork out of your 5-yr Conservation Plan. Check out <u>our video</u> to learn how, in just a few simple clicks, you can be well on your way to developing a strong, compliant plan. Not yet using EPT? Contact us today to get started.

How do you know if an energy conservation opportunity in your facility is worth pursuing? Join SaveONenergy and LAS on March 8 for a free webinar and take a deep dive into the complexities of energy projects financing and life cycle costing. Space is limited. Register here today - Part Four of the Municipal Series.

Municipal Wire*

Professional Engineer's Ontario has released <u>a guideline</u> to support the preparation of acoustical assessments and studies to support land use applications.

Register for the "Building Healthy Communities: Uniting Experience, Research, and Practice for Ontario's Age-Friendly Future" virtual conference. The free conference is organized into three themed morning sessions on March 20-22.

The <u>Canadian Centre for Women's Empowerment</u> (CCFWE) released <u>calls to action for municipalities</u> to address economic abuse in gender-based violence strategies. For more information contact <u>Michaela Mayer</u>.

The International Town and Gown Association and Town and Gown Association of Ontario <u>launched a survey</u> seeking input from municipal leaders on Canada's student housing crisis. Participate by March 5.

The Intact Centre for Climate Adaptation has <u>released resources for municipalities</u> on basement flooding, extreme heat and wildfire protection to be shared through municipal websites and tax notices.

The Condominium Authority of Ontario's <u>2024 Winter Information Kit</u> offers useful and shareable tips to help Ontario condo residents navigate the ins and out of condo living this season.

The Future of Aging Summit in Toronto from May 15-17, 2024 will bring together policymakers and others focused on building age-friendly societies. See the speaker lineup and register at agingsummit.ca.

Careers

<u>Digital Communications Intern - AMO</u>. Closing date: February 23.

Business Development Intern, Risk Management - LAS. Closing date: February 21.

Chief Human Resources Officer - City of Ottawa. Closing Date: February 22.

Chief Administrative Officer - Town of New Tecumseth. Closing Date: March 1.

Senior Planner - Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing. Closing date: Feb 23.

Senior Financial Analyst - Town of Bradford West Gwillimbury. Closing date: February 18.

<u>Deputy Chief Administrative Officer - City of Sault Ste. Marie.</u> Closing Date: March 1.

City Manager - City of St. Thomas. Closing Date: February 29.

Manager, Human Rights - City of London. Closing Date: March 5.

Commissioner, Community Services - Town of Oakville. Closing Date: March 11.

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