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AMO is pleased to welcome its [2024-2026 AMO Board of Directors](#). In accordance with AMO By-law No. 1, elections occurred at the AMO Annual Conference, hosted by the City of Ottawa in August 2024.

At the 2024 AMO Conference in Ottawa, the Hon. Sylvia Jones, Minister of Health, [announced \\$378 million](#) to support 19 treatment and social support hubs for individuals with mental health and substance abuse challenges. Addressing the opioid crisis and the related homelessness crisis are key priorities for AMO and Ontario's 444 municipal governments.

The Peter J. Marshall Innovation Award jury presented its highest award to The Regional Municipality of York for its [automated transit facility inspection program with artificial intelligence](#).

The Peter J. Marshall Innovation Award jury presented its highest award to the Town of Midland for its project: [Leveraging AI for Enhanced Risk Assessments for Water and Wastewater Infrastructure](#).

The Peter J. Marshall Innovation Award jury presented its highest award to the City of Peterborough for addressing encampment through its [Modular Bridge Community Housing Project](#).

Provincial Matters

Apply for Ontario's new [Community Sport and Recreation Infrastructure Fund](#) that will revitalize existing infrastructure and support new construction across the province. Email CSRIF@ontario.ca to register for the webinar on August 27!

The Design of Public Spaces Standards Development Committee seeks feedback on [initial recommendations](#) on proposed changes to the Accessible Built Environment Standards and the Ontario Building Code by August 24.

Education Opportunities

The [AMO Knowledge Exchange on Community and Supportive Housing Symposium](#), October 1 - 2, will

convene elected officials, municipal staff, federal and provincial representatives, Indigenous partners, and other sector partners for networking, knowledge sharing, and collaboration on how we can work together to advance community and supportive housing solutions in communities across Ontario. View full details and [register today](#).

AMO has released a number of its fall education workshops. Sign up today for a range of workshops including, communication skills, planning for and understanding cyber security, Indigenous cultural awareness and a number council leadership programs. [Click here](#) to see all opportunities.

Since 2022 AMO has been working on building a healthy and sustainable local democracy in Ontario. The [2024 Healthy Democracy Forum](#) is a 2 day working session, October 19 - 20, on a number of initiatives and strategies for municipalities to undertake. Join government officials, academics, community leaders and colleagues. Read more about AMO's [Healthy Democracy Project](#). The Forum is in partnership with Toronto Metropolitan University.

Municipal Wire*

From September 5-7, the [Canadian Centre on Substance Use and Addiction](#) and the City of Timmins are hosting a summit for elected officials on the substance use crisis in small Canadian communities. To attend, please RSVP at rsvp@ccsa.ca.

Careers

[Director of Council Services, Clerk - County of Brant](#). Closing date: August 26, 2024.

[Treasurer/Clerk - Township of Ignace](#). Closing date: September 15, 2024.

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AMO is a non-profit organization representing almost all of Ontario's 444 municipal governments. AMO supports strong and effective municipal government in Ontario and promotes the value of municipal government as a vital and essential component of Ontario's and Canada's political system. Follow [@AMOPolicy](#) on Twitter!

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