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#### **Provincial Matters**

The Ontario government is launching a <u>call for proposals</u> for new community-based projects that prevent and address gender-based violence. The deadline for proposals is October 11, 2024 at 5pm.

The Ontario government is accepting applications for its new \$200-million Community Sport and Recreation Infrastructure Fund that will revitalize existing infrastructure and support new construction across the province. Apply now!

Apply for Ontario's new <u>Housing-Enabling Core Servicing funding</u> to help municipalities build, maintain and repair municipal roads, bridges and culverts to unlock new housing. <u>Register</u> for the September 16 webinar.

Apply for Ontario's new <u>Housing-Enabling Water Systems Fund</u> intake to help municipalities develop, repair, rehabilitate and expand drinking water, wastewater and stormwater infrastructure to enable housing. <u>Register</u> for the September 26 webinar.

## **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.

#### LAS

Our Business Development Intern's term has come to an end. Juan Park writes about his experience working with LAS and what opportunities await him in the future.

Many municipalities are considering how to transition their buildings to net zero operations. Whether using <a href="heat-pumps">heat pumps</a> or other low carbon technologies, LAS is here to help. Sign up for one of our customized <a href="Low Carbon/Net Zero workshops">Low Carbon/Net Zero workshops</a> to learn how to transition effectively. <a href="Contact Christian">Contact Christian</a> for more information.

## **Municipal Wire\***

Foster collaboration, transfer knowledge, and discover innovative solutions at the Canadian Emergency Preparedness and Climate Adaptation Convention (CEPCA). Use code AMO895 to receive exclusive All Access Pass municipal rates. Register here!

Mediation is a powerful and efficient way to resolve freedom of information appeals. This episode explores the value-add of mediation and how building trust, active listening, and education can lead to win-win settlements for both parties. IPC Commissioner Kosseim speaks with Shaun Sanderson, a mediator at the IPC, about how mediation works, what parties should do to prepare, and what they can expect to get out of the process.

Sewer Safety Week will take place September 16-20. A reminder to always call Ontario One Call at 1-800-400-2255 for a free sewer safety inspection. To learn more, visit enbridgegas.com/sewersafety.

Join the Ontario Municipal Social Services Association (OMSSA) virtually on September 24-25 to learn about current issues that are impacting community safety and well-being. Hear about successes and how to evaluate the impact of this work. Register today.

Circular Materials and Waste to Resource Ontario invite municipal waste staff to meet on the transition. Register here for the September 26 10am-12pm event at the Toronto Fairmont Royal York.

Pollution Probe and QUEST Canada aim to talk for one hour with Ontario communities for an OEB-funded project to address your innovative energy needs. Register at <a href="mailto:rkiro@pollutionprobe.org">rkiro@pollutionprobe.org</a> until September 16.

## Careers

Manager, People & Inclusivity - County of Simcoe. Closing Date: September 20, 2024.

Deputy Fire Chief - City of Orillia. Closing Date: September 23, 2024.

Contracts Manager, Operations - Peel Regional Police. Closing Date: September 17, 2024.

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