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**AMO Matters**

AMO is seeking applicants for its 2025 Youth Fellowship Program. Please share this opportunity with students and youth interested in local government, governance, and the health of our democracy. Through this Fellowship, participants learn about municipal governance and policy while gaining exposure to real-time issues facing Ontario's municipalities. [Applications](#) are due October 29.

**Provincial Matters**

The province is investing \$5M annually to help smaller communities build safe and reliable transit services through the new Ontario Transit Investment Fund (OTIF). Municipalities [can apply for OTIF funding](#) on an ongoing basis, with programs expected to begin in 2025.

Ontario has announced an additional \$5 million through an application-based program to help increase emergency preparedness. CEPG offers funding for equipment and services up to \$50,000 to strengthen local emergency readiness. Municipalities under 100,000 are eligible to apply. [Applications are due October 31, 2024.](#)

The Ontario government's [Community Sport and Recreation Infrastructure Fund](#) will revitalize existing infrastructure and support new construction across the province. Apply by October 29, 2024 for repair and rehabilitation projects.

[Application intake](#) is open until December 3 for organizations including municipalities to support underrepresented groups in starting or growing their own agri-food business.

The Ministry of Energy is [seeking comments](#) on a proposed energy efficiency framework to improve energy affordability and expand efficiency programs offered by local distribution corporations.

The Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing is [seeking comments](#) on a proposed regulation that would

override municipal by-laws to remove barriers to building additional residential units.

### **Federal Matters**

The \$6 billion Canada Housing Infrastructure Fund launches with \$1 billion for direct municipal and Indigenous infrastructure projects supporting housing-enabling infrastructure. Visit the [CHIF website](#) for [application details](#) and upcoming webinars.

The [Codes Acceleration Fund](#) (CAF) is open to projects geared towards accelerating the adoption and implementation of the higher tiers of the national model energy codes or other mandatory energy regulations. Approximately \$30M in funding available.

The [Canadian Centre for Climate Services](#) launched a new [online app](#) that projects future fire weather conditions. [Register here](#) by November 1 for the November 6 webinar.

### **Education Opportunities**

Register for the ROMA 2025 Annual Conference by **October 31** to access early bird rates. For full registration and hotel information, [click here](#).

Book your trade show booth today to ensure your participation in the 2025 ROMA Conference. Limited spaces available. Download the [exhibitor package](#) or [sponsorship package](#) today.

### **LAS**

Looking to learn more about the [Canoe Procurement Group](#)? Join the 'Ask Canoe Anything' open mic webinar on October 30 at 11am to have all your questions answered. [Click here](#) for more information and to register.

### **Municipal Wire\***

WOWC is holding its annual [Western Ontario Municipal Conference](#) in Chatham-Kent on October 25, 2024. Explore and collaborate on a wide range of topics affecting our municipalities.

### **Careers**

[Senior Advisor, Regional & Community Engagement - The Independent Electricity System Operator.](#)

Closing Date: November 18, 2024.

[Analyst, Recreation Planning - City of Brampton.](#) Closing Date: Oct 28, 2024.

[Infrastructure Supervisor - Municipality of Redlake.](#) Closing Date: November 24, 2024.

[Municipal Planner - Municipality of Redlake.](#) Closing Date: November 24, 2024.

[Integrity Commissioner - Legislative Assembly of Ontario.](#) Closing Date: November 20, 2024.

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