

Halton Highlights August 2015

Keeping our roads safe this summer

Whether you are out enjoying one of Halton's many summer attractions or simply getting together with friends and family, please remember to drive responsibly and keep our roads safe. If you plan on drinking, please don't drive. Visit halton.ca/impaired to access alternate transportation resources that will get you, your loved ones and others on the road, home safe.

Remember, if you're on our roads and think you see an impaired driver, please dial 911 to report it. Impaired driving is a crime in progress and one call could save a life.

Be a Halton Road Watcher

Our Police partners have an excellent program called Halton Road Watch. If you see dangerous or aggressive driving, you can report it by completing an online form at haltonroadwatch.ca. Police will review the report and may send a letter to the registered owner of the vehicle reminding them to drive safely. See it. Report it. Keep our roads safe.

Drive SAFE

As part of our commitment to reduce speeding and aggressive driving, Halton Region, the Halton Regional Police Service and the Regional Cycling Committee have developed the Drive SAFE (Safety Awareness for Everyone) campaign. Visit halton.ca/drivesafe to learn about key safety issues for drivers.

Working together we will continue to improve safety on our roads and ensure that Halton remains a great place to live, work, raise a family and retire.

SAFE ROADS: YOUR CALL



CALL 911 TO REPORT A SUSPECTED IMPAIRED DRIVER



Halton supports entrepreneurs start, grow and build their business

Halton Region is committed to building a strong economy and helping all local businesses succeed. A key part of driving economic growth is inspiring and supporting our entrepreneurs. From inspiring business ideas to managing daily operations and building growth, the Halton Region Small Business Centre has resources and programs available to support local entrepreneurs of all ages and help them thrive.

Through the Centre, entrepreneurs can get help from consultants and local professionals to establish a business, either

by becoming a client or through the Access to Professionals program.

Younger entrepreneurs, under the age of 39, can also apply to one of the youth programs offered through the Centre. These programs include:

- Summer Company
- Starter Company
- Futurpreneur Canada

If you or someone you know can benefit from these Regional supports, visit haltonsmallbusiness.ca.



Keeping you informed by highlighting what makes Halton a great place to live.
Gary Carr, Regional Chair

Support our Local Farming Community

Halton Region is committed to supporting and strengthening our vibrant agricultural community. Now is the time to get out to one of the farmer's markets or on-farm markets in Halton. Crops are robust with so much local produce in season like beans, sweet corn, tomatoes, raspberries, plums and watermelons. With so many fresh and tasty options, there is something for everyone.

Make it a family event: head to a local farm or market and connect with the people who produce the food you eat. Some of our on-farm markets also offer a wide range of exciting activities for the whole family to enjoy. All of which make Halton a great place to live.

For more information on Halton's local food or farming or to find a farm near you, visit halton.ca/simplylocal or call us by dialing 311 to request your copy of *Simply Local: Your Guide to Halton Farms* map as a reference guide.

Here are some great reasons to enjoy locally-grown food:

- Fresh local food is picked at the height of ripeness and it simply tastes better;
- Buying from local farms supports the local economy and creates local jobs;
- It is environmentally friendly because it has less packaging and saves energy on transportation, refrigeration and processing; and
- You can freeze, can or preserve it and eat local food all year long.



 Please contact us as soon as possible if you have any accessibility needs at Halton Region events or meetings.

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