

Here's what Halton regional councillors earn

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Halton Regional Chair Gary Carr earned about \$207,376 in salaries, benefits and expenses last year, according to regional documents recently released.

Carr, who has been the regional chair since 2006, received about \$198,158 in salary and benefits, \$4,606 in conference expenses and \$4,612 in car mileage and other expenses in 2012.

Among regional councillors, Halton Hills Councillor Clark Somerville was the biggest earner at a

total of \$67,840 — \$51,322 in salary and benefits, \$14,272 in conference expenses and \$2,246 in car mileage and other expenses.

About \$11,405 of the conference expenses, however, are related to Somerville's duties as the Halton representative on the Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM) Board of Directors. He also took part in the FCM Ontario Caucus election and the FCM Rural Forum.

Milton Mayor Gord Krantz earned the least with a total of \$49,047 — \$45,873 in salaries and benefits, \$2,746 in conference expenses and \$428 in car mileage and other expenses.



Halton Region Chair Gary Carr sits in the regional council chamber at the Bronte Road Halton Regional Centre. Carr earned approximately \$207,376 last year, according to a recently released report.

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Burlington councillors Rick Craven, Jack Dennison and John Taylor and Milton Councillor Tony Lambert didn't have any conference expenses while Oakville councillors Cathy Duddeck, Jeff Knoll and Alan Johnston and Burlington Mayor Rick Goldring didn't claim any car mileage and other expenses.

Goldring, Craven, Marianne Meed Ward, Dennison, Taylor, Paul Sharman, Blair Lancaster, Oakville Mayor Rob Burton, Johnston, Duddeck, Keith Bird, Allan Elgar, Knoll, Tom Adams, Lambert, Colin Best, Halton Hills Mayor Rick Bonnette, and Jane Fogal) earned between \$52,000 and \$58,000 last year.

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