

Halton Small Business Centre Upcoming Business Seminars and Programs

Starting a Small Business Seminar:

A general overview of the things you will need to consider, along with resources to help you succeed. Covers structure, registrations, regulations, licences, taxes and financing options.

Wed., Sept. 12
Halton Regional Centre
6:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.
\$25/person

Steps to Success Seminar Series:

A four-part seminar series targeted to start-up entrepreneurs and small business owners. The four sessions must be taken as a series. All sessions will be held at Milton Public Library, Main Library from 6:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m. Cost: \$80/person

Wed., Sept. 19: Market Research: This session will focus on identifying the why and how of conducting market research for your business.

Wed., Sept. 26: Business Plan Basics: In this session you will be introduced to the concepts of a business plan from the executive summary to the financial overview and take away examples of templates that can be used for your business.

Wed., Oct. 3: Understanding Financial Statements: Learn how to record and maintain financial records for your small business including balance sheets, cash flow and income statements.

Wed., Oct. 10: ABCs of Marketing: Learn some cost effective marketing options for your small business.

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Wed., Oct. 10
Burlington Central Library
6:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.
\$25/person

Media Relations and Opportunities:

Take away the basics of working with the media – writing a news release, preparing for a media interview and building a relationship with the media.

Wed., Oct. 17
Acton Public Library
6:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.
\$25/person

Getting Started Information

Session: A one hour overview of all the rules and regulations you need to know about if you are starting a business in Halton. Staff will guide you through a checklist for starting a new business. These are casual, informative small groups of five or less.

Every Tuesday
9:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.
Halton Regional Centre
Small Business Centre
No cost, but registration is required

Canadian Youth Business Foundation (CYBF) – General Information Session:

A one hour overview of the CYBF financing program, including a review of the application process and evaluation and eligibility criteria. Canadian Youth Business Foundation provides financing based on character and a great business plan of up to \$15,000 for young entrepreneurs between 18 and 34 years of age who are looking to start their own full-time small business.

1st and 3rd Tuesday each month in 2012
10:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.
Halton Regional Centre
Small Business Centre
No cost, but registration is required

Business Banking and Credit Discussion:

A one hour information session highlighting how to make your discussions with your bank successful. Items reviewed include the importance of a business plan/cashflow projections; what credit solutions work best for your business; why it is important to be prepared to invest in your own business and being a good credit risk.

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Contact us for more information and registration details for these events.

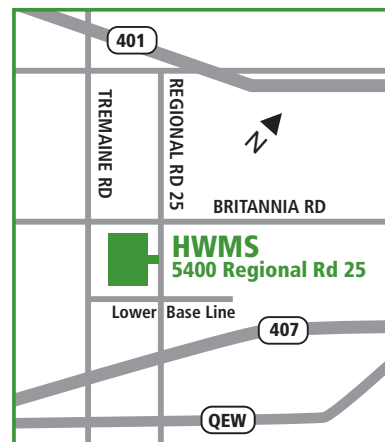
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Compost Give Away

Saturday, September 15, 2012
8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Halton Waste Management Site, 5400 Regional Road 25, Milton



Thanks to the participation of Halton residents, approximately 30,500 tonnes of yard waste was composted last year and turned into rich, garden-friendly compost.

Halton residents are invited to come to the Compost Give Away and pick up some of this compost as a “thank you” for diverting this usable material away from the landfill, thereby extending its life!

All Halton households are welcome to collect a maximum of seven bags (or equivalent) of compost. Please bring your own containers (garbage bags, yard waste bags, reusable

containers, trailer, etc.) and shovel. Residents are responsible for shoveling and bagging their own compost.

Non-perishable food items or cash donations will be gratefully accepted on behalf of Halton area Food Banks. Your donations make a difference!

Helpful Hint: When applying compost to your gardens, ensure you blend it with topsoil or another gardening fill. Recommended application for best growing results is a 60/40 split (60 per cent topsoil and 40 per cent compost).



Cleaning up? We can help!

Bring your old batteries, paint, compact fluorescent light bulbs, pesticides and cleaners to the Household Hazardous Waste Depot at the Halton Waste Management Site. Maximum 20 litres per visit. No commercial loads accepted. For a list of acceptable materials and helpful hints, visit www.halton.ca/waste.

Stay Connected! Follow us on Twitter @HaltonRecycles and read our blog at www.haltonrecycles.ca. We're sharing great information about Halton's waste management programs like Compost Give Away and other events—we'd love to hear from you!



Visit Halton Region's booth at the Georgetown Fall Fair!

Join Halton Regional Chair Gary Carr on Saturday from 2 p.m. to 3 p.m. at Halton Region's booth at the Georgetown Fall Fair this weekend. Pick up information, ask questions, and learn about some of the programs and services provided to you by Halton Region.

The Fall Fairs are a great opportunity to celebrate an important part of Halton's heritage with family, friends and neighbours. The Fairs also showcase the rich history and traditions of our agricultural community. Regional Council is committed to protecting the agricultural lands in Halton and supporting practices that ensure the sustainability of this industry for the future. I hope to see you at the Fair this weekend.



Gary Carr
Regional Chair