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2016 Census breaks down housing in Halton Region.

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ton Hills have the highest percentage of owners compared to renters with 85.8 and 85.9 per cent ownership rates, compare to 81.7 per cent in Oakville and 76.4 per cent in Burlington.

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ers account for 19.1 per cent of total households.

As far as occupied home types are concerned, Burlington features by far the highest percentage of dwellings defined as condominiums in the region with 22.3 per cent. Halton Hills had the fewest such household types with 7.5 per cent of the town's total dwellings made up of condos.

Milton's housing inventory included 9.3 per cent condos, with 14.1 per cent of dwellings defined as condos in Oakville. In total, condos made up 15.6 per cent of Halton's total housing inventory compared 84.4 per cent non-condominium.

Stats Can defines condominium status as a "residential complex in which dwellings are owned individually while land and common elements are held in joint ownership with others"

According to stats in 2016, 65.6 per cent of households across Halton carry a mortgage, with 18.7 per cent spending more than 30 per cent of their income on housing - the recommended safe shelter budget.

However, 45.1 per cent of rent-

ers across the region exceed that recommended cost-of-living threshold.

The average cost for rent across the whole region came in at \$1,405 per month, whereas the average monthly mortgage payment came in at \$1,785.

Rent costs were highest in Oakville at an average of \$1,523 per month, with Milton coming in just one dollar behind at an average of \$1,522 per month.

Halton Hills is by far the cheapest place to rent in the region with an average monthly cost of \$1,170. Burlington clocked in at \$1,329 per month.

The report also outlined subsidized housing, which accounted for 11.3 per cent of the region's total households.

Halton Hills reported the highest percentage of subsidized housing in the region with 14.7 of all households falling under that category. Oakville came in just behind at 14.2 per cent.

Milton had the fewest with 7.5 per cent of households requiring some form of subsidized assistance. Burlington came in at 9.8 per cent in that regard.

NOTICE OF ROAD CLOSURE HIGHWAY 401 CLOSED AT REGIONAL ROAD 25 from Saturday, November 18th - Sunday, November 19th, 2017 7:00 p.m. to 1:00 p.m.

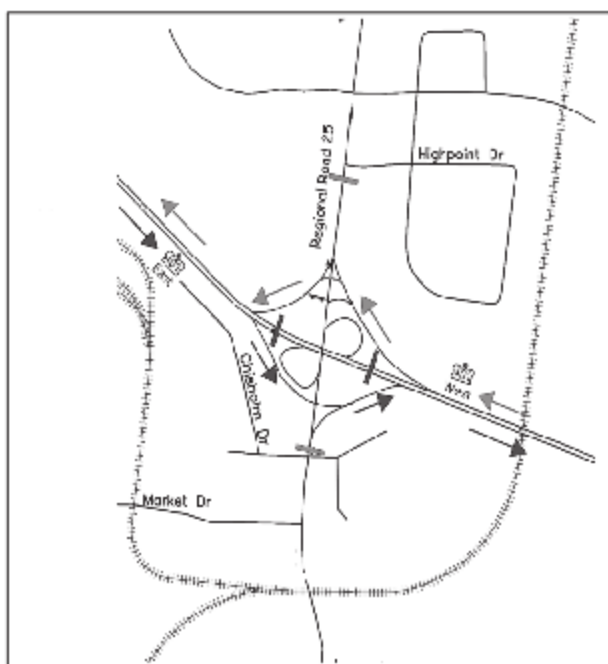
The Ministry of Transportation has set a date for the existing Regional Road 25 bridge in Milton to be removed so that the construction of the new bridge can be completed. Highway 401 at Regional Road 25 will close from 7 p.m. on Saturday, November 18 to 1 p.m. on Sunday, November 19 for the removal of the existing bridge on Regional Road 25 in Milton.

During the full closure of the 401, the following detour routes, as illustrated, below will be used:

- Highway 401 eastbound traffic shall be diverted to the EB - NB/SB Ramp and the NB - EB ramp via the south ramp terminal intersection; and
- Highway 401 westbound traffic shall be diverted to a ramp-to-ramp connection (WB - NB/SB to SB-WB).

Regional Road 25 traffic will be detoured using local roads, and these routes will have directional signs and Paid Duty Police Officers to direct traffic.

The following is the detour plan for Highway 401 during the closure



For more information about the closure and the details of the detour, please contact 401closuremilton@millergroup.ca

COMMUNITY

Local health care groups invite residents to 'Catch the Ace' in new lottery

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The hospital foundations of Halton are giving residents a chance to win big, all in support of local health care, with a new lottery. Catch the Ace is a progressive raffle where participants purchase tickets for a chance to select an envelope containing a card from a standard deck of playing cards. The participant chosen to draw a card each week wins 20 per cent of the proceeds from that week, with 30 per cent going toward the progressive jackpot which will be won by the weekly winner who selects the envelope containing the ace of spades.

The game is modelled after Chase the Ace, a successful fundraising raffle that has been very successful in the Eastern provinces. This charitable revenue will be support health care in Halton, and will be divided equally between

Georgetown Hospital Foundation, Joseph Brant Hospital Foundation, Milton District Hospital Foundation, and Oakville Hospital Foundation.

"We are excited to come together to launch this exciting joint initiative in support of Halton's four hospital foundations," said Jennifer McNally, Director of Development at the Georgetown Hospital Foundation. "We believe this is an incredible opportunity for our communities to support their local hospitals and have the opportunity to win a large jackpot. And, best of all, the proceeds raised in Halton will stay in Halton and support health care."

Tickets are now on sale and cost \$5. They will be available for purchase every Wednesday and Thursday at the Georgetown Hospital gift shop, Joseph Brant Hospital, Milton District Hospital and Oakville Trafalgar Memorial Hospital.

