

## Halton Region Small Business Centre

### G.R.O.W. Your Business: Getting Results Online Workshop

Join Halton Region Small Business Centre for a unique educational and networking event that brings together small businesses from across Halton Region to learn, share best practices and make valuable business connections. The event includes speakers, break-out sessions and networking. Register early to avoid disappointment!

Wednesday, October 15, 2014  
Harbour Banquet & Conference Centre, Oakville  
8 a.m. – 1:30 p.m. • \$40/person

### Upcoming Business Seminars and Programs

**Starting a Small Business Seminar:** A general overview of the things you will need to consider, along with the resources to help you succeed. Covers structure, registrations, regulations, licences, taxes and financing options.

Wednesday, September 17  
Burlington Central Library  
6:30 – 8:30 p.m. • \$25/person

Wednesday, October 8, 2014  
Halton Hills Public Library,  
Georgetown Branch  
6:30 – 8:30 p.m. • \$25/person

**Marketing – Research and Cost Effective Ideas:** Identify why and how conducting market research can impact your business success and learn some cost effective ideas to market your business.

Wednesday, September 24  
Halton Hills Public Library,  
Georgetown Branch  
6:30 – 8:30 p.m. • \$25/person

**First Steps in Exporting:** Understanding the resources, programs and services available to potential exporters including export readiness, market research, export planning and practical issues.

Wednesday, October 1  
Halton Regional Administration Building  
6:30 – 8:30 p.m. • \$25/person

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

Every Tuesday • 9 – 10 a.m.  
Halton Regional Centre,  
Small Business Centre  
Free, but registration is required.

**Futurpreneur (formerly CYBF) – General Information Session:** A one hour overview of the Futurpreneur financing program, including a review of the application process and evaluation and eligibility criteria. Futurpreneur provides financing based on character and a great business plan of up to \$15,000 for young entrepreneurs between 18 and 39 years of age who are looking to start their own full-time small business.

1st and 3rd Tuesday each month in 2014  
10 – 11 a.m.  
Halton Regional Centre,  
Small Business Centre  
Free, but registration is required.

**Starter Company Program – General Information Session:** A one hour overview of the program, including a review of the application process and eligibility criteria. Starter Company program is an entrepreneurship program geared to help youth between the ages of 18 – 29 start a small business, by providing training and business skills development, mentorship and guidance from local business professionals and where eligible, a micro-grant of up to \$5,000 to help kick-start a new business, expand an existing business or buy a business.

1st and 3rd Tuesday each month in 2014  
11 a.m. – 12 p.m.  
Halton Regional Centre,  
Small Business Centre  
Free, but registration is required.

*Registration and pre-payment for all seminars is required as seating is limited.*

For more information on these events including registration details contact Halton Region.

Join our online community. Get connected at [haltonsmallbusiness.ca](http://haltonsmallbusiness.ca).

## Compost Give Away

Saturday, September 13, 2014 • 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 34,000 tonnes of yard waste was composted last year and turned into rich, garden-friendly compost.

Halton residents are invited to come to our fall Compost Give Away and pick up some of this compost as a “thank you” for diverting the 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).*

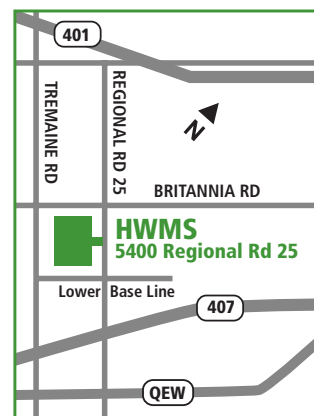
### Cleaning up? We can help!

Bring your old batteries, paint, compact fluorescent light bulbs, pesticides, cleaners and other hazardous products 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 [Halton.ca/hhw](http://Halton.ca/hhw).



### Looking to repaint a room in your house?

Pick up usable paint and stain at the Paint & Stain Reuse Depot, free of charge. The Paint & Stain Reuse Depot is conveniently located beside the Household Hazardous Waste Depot at the Halton Waste Management Site. Halton Region cannot guarantee availability of colours or stains.



### Back to school: online parenting help now also includes Facebook

It's back to school time again and the team of HaltonParents public health nurses have quality information and resources for parents, which now includes connecting with them on Facebook. From homework tips, to bullying, to information about healthy child development and everything in between, the HaltonParents team can help parents get back into the school routine.

HaltonParents helps parents at all stages, from thinking about having a child, to pregnancy through adolescence. Connect with us online at [HaltonParents.ca](http://HaltonParents.ca), on Twitter @HaltonParents, on Facebook, or by email at [haltonparents@halton.ca](mailto:haltonparents@halton.ca). You can also dial 311 for direct help.

#### Halton Regional Meeting Schedule

Meetings can be viewed at [www.halton.ca/meetings](http://www.halton.ca/meetings)

**Sept 23 9:30 a.m.** Health & Social Services Cttee. **Sept 24 1:30 p.m.** Administration & Finance Cttee.  
**Sept 24 9:30 a.m.** Planning & Public Works Cttee.